



Date: 12/31/20

Subject: Impact of RGGI

To Whom it may concern,

I am writing to voice the negative effects that PA joining the RGGI Initiative would have on my life as a resident of PA.

I have been employed full time at the Keystone Generating station for the past 13 years as an Administrative Assistant. I make a very good wage and am very good at the job that I do there. I work with some amazing people that are both safety and environmentally motivated in completing our jobs. We care very much about the environment and want to ensure that our children and grandchildren are not negatively affected by our production of electricity. Every effort is made to ensure that we do not have environmental incidents and that all requirements are met.

Secondly, I am a small business owner in Indiana County. I have a brick and mortar shop, Mayberry Woodshed, in Dilltown, PA. The economic repercussions of joining this act in this area would be devastating to this area and my business. I repeatedly hear about the couple of hundred jobs that would be lost if the coal fired power plants were to be closed. I would like to stress that the number of lost jobs would not be "hundreds" but it would be THOUSANDS!!!! The power plants support many more crafts and professions in our area. Machine shops, all the local union crafts, coal truck drivers, mechanics, fuel suppliers and so many more. The loss of these jobs would lead to the loss of revenue to shops like mine, stores, restaurants, school districts, non-profits and all the other industries that we support. My children and grandchildren have already had to relocate out of this area in order to find jobs that could afford them a better living than they could here, at home!! I will have to follow them out of PA if this initiative happens.

I pray everyday that somebody will see that Governor Wolf slid us into the RGGI initiative while the rest of the world was in a panic over the COVID pandemic. Even when it was decided that this issue should be taken through the legislative process, he vetoed the decision.

Thank You for at least hearing me and PLEASE reconsider this decision!!

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