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The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: CO2 Budget Trading Program (#7-559).

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Hello,

I'm writing to you today to proudly voice my support for Pennsylvania joining the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI).

RGGI is a market-based program that has helped our neighbors in New York, New Jersey, Maryland, and Delaware slash carbon emissions in half. But RGGI offers benefits beyond clean air alone.

Here are other ways our neighboring RGGI states are benefiting from RGGI:

- Improved air quality and public health
- Carbon emissions cut in half
- Stable electricity prices
- Thousands of new clean energy jobs
- Stronger economies

Nearly a decade of research proves that joining RGGI would be good for Pennsylvania's environment, public health, AND economy.

The longer Pennsylvania waits to join RGGI, the further we will fall behind other states in our region that are already moving forward on clean energy.

That's why I'm urging you to move Pennsylvania forward on clean energy by entering our Commonwealth into RGGI. I also urge the legislature to work with the administration to maximize the benefit of RGGI to the state.

Thank you.

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely, Jessica Shirley

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