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

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## Comments entered:

I am writing as chapter leader of the Philadelphia chapter of Women in Renewable Industries and Sustainable Energy (WRISE) to strongly endorse Governor Wolf's effort to have Pennsylvania become a party to the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI). As one of the most populous and largest energy producing states in the country, Pennsylvania ranks in the top five states for greenhouse gas emissions, according to US EIA data as of 2016. This is due to the fact that Pennsylvania relies on fossil fuel sources of energy for the vast majority of its electricity generation. As RGGI focuses on capping and ultimately reducing emissions from the power sector, membership in this cooperative effort would help to incentive investment in low and zero carbon sources of energy in Pennsylvania, which would also provide a major boost to the state economy. "Green jobs" are a growing sector of the US economy, and Pennsylvania can't afford to miss out.

Therefore, for the environmental benefits that would accrue from the reduction of all emissions associated with fossil fuel power generation, as well as the economic benefits of investing in cleaner energy generation and more efficient technology, I feel that it is essential that Pennsylvania join the RGGI program.

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
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