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

Commenter Information:

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Comments entered:

I write to voice my strong support for the CO2 Budget Trading rule that empowers Pennsylvania to join in the Regional Greenhouse Gas initiative (RGGI). I am a resident of Lancaster County.

Climate change is already here, as we have seen in increasingly frequent and increasingly severe extreme weather events, and it does not recognize borders. As one of the largest polluters in the country, Pennsylvania must step up and reduce its contribution to carbon emissions. This will benefit citizens of Pennsylvania, the country, and the world.

We must take collective action to address this challenge – we have an opportunity to act that future generations will not have, and we must ensure a livable future for them. Economic and human losses from climate change – through dislocation of populations, crop failure, the rising sea levels, and weather changes – will dwarf any economic or health disaster any of us living today have seen. Joining the RGGI makes sense for the economy, public health, and the environment.

RGGI is a powerful, market-based program that can make a difference. It will not be enough on its own, but we must take every step we can to address the disaster that is climate change.

I urge you to move Pennsylvania forward on clean energy by enabling the Commonwealth to join

the RGGI. Please act now.

Respectfully, David Bishop

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely, Jessica Shirley

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