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Dear Sirs:

We are writing this letter to express our objections to the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative. We believe there are many factors to consider in this issue, not just the "benefits" to the environment. We live in an area, and we might add in a state, that has suffered much economy-wise and in many other ways due to the issues with the corona virus and the heavy handed actions of our governor. Many parts of the local economy are in a shambles. Some small businesses are literally gasping for air while others all over Pennsylvania have permanently closed their doors. This has ruined their livelihoods and their independence if you would express in that way.

The problems that we see with RGGI are:

1. It will result in increased energy costs. People can barely meet their obligations now, let alone with this added factor on top of everything else.
2. Many, many people will lose their jobs if our natural resource fuel plants are shut down. This includes those who work directly in the generating businesses, but many industries that support those power plants, gas well drilling sites, etc.
3. Closing these business and their related support businesses will result in a decrease in tax revenue for the state. People who are not working and businesses that are closed don't generate any revenue and, therefore, no tax revenue.
4. Many of the states that object to power plants in Pennsylvania don't seem to have any problem using the energy that we generate here with fossil fuels.
5. The power plants in our area, and probably those across the state, have greatly reduced their emissions and have complied with expensive regulations to produce cleaner energy. Did they do this for nothing?

We believe that our state representatives in Pennsylvania House and Senate should be the ones to determine, or approve of any plans that are so drastically going to influence so many. This is our state, our county, and we do not want to see major changes implemented simply by executive order of the Governor with no consideration for the impact on the actual population and its livelihood. Please reconsider these points and say, "No" to RGGI.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of George W. Huggins and Alice C. Huggins in black ink. The signatures are written in a cursive style.

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