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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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Comments entered:

I am writing concerning the idea of closing coal powered generator plants which I believe is a terrible decision. Not only the loss of jobs within the plant, supporting businesses such maintenance & subcontractor businesses would suffer also. The trucking businesses & independent truckers that deliver the coal would be out of work. It would affect the railroad industry that delivers the coal to a degree. Then there's the coal mines that would be laying off employees & possibly closing.

With each business closing it would affect other businesses that supply needed services & parts such as repair shops & garages, tires, fuel, etc.

With each employee losing their job, unemployment benefits will eventually run out for a lot of them because of lack of other work in the area forcing them to move elsewhere. Businesses that would suffer would be car & truck dealers, home sales, grocery stores, Service stations, financial institutions, etc. Foreclosures & repossessions would be rampant. Local & state tax revenues will decrease.

So coupled with the Covid-19 closures, businesses & schools failing from that, western PA would be devastated economically. All that will be left is the animals or is that the Agenda.

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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