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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'm writing in strong support of the Department of Environmental Protection's proposed rule to link with the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) and set the statewide limit on carbon pollution from the power sector. This rule is a critical step towards cleaning up Pennsylvania's air and taking on the looming climate crisis, while creating good jobs, growing the economy, and investing in energy efficiency to lower bills for everyday Pennsylvanians.

Now, more than ever, Pennsylvania needs to take strong action to protect its residents. We know that air pollution exacerbates the heart and lung conditions that make COVID-19 more deadly. We know that linking to RGGI can reduce both health-harming air pollution and dangerous carbon pollution while growing the economy. Pennsylvania has a responsibility to take bold climate action and there is ample opportunity for deep carbon pollution reductions that will put us on a path to a zero emission power sector well before mid-century. This is a crucial step forward that must be taken as soon as possible so Pennsylvania can participate in the program starting in January 2022.

Please protect the future of all Pennsylvanians by finalizing Pennsylvania's path to link with RGGI as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

Ray Little

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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