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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:

Dear Commissioners,

Pennsylvania should join the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI).

This carbon pollution control program can reduce harmful climate-changing CO2 emissions, protect public health, and, together with a commitment to investments in energy efficiency and renewable energy, position Pennsylvania as a leader in the growing clean energy economy. Pennsylvania could receive hundreds of millions of dollars in proceeds annually from this program. These funds would be invested in targeted efforts to eliminate air pollution, spur job creation, support working Pennsylvanians, and help boost the state's long-term economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

A portion of the proceeds could be used to help workers and communities who will be affected by the ongoing and inevitable transition of the energy market away from coal to natural gas and renewables.

It's time for Pennsylvania to tap into this record of success, invest in sustainable jobs in our transitioning energy sector, and reduce our carbon pollution. Joining the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative is right for Pennsylvania.

We have also collected the signatures of 1,106 of our members who agree with our organization's commitment to implementing the RGGI program in Pennsylvania. I have attached those names along with this comment on letterhead in hopes that they might be considered additional comments.

Thank you,
Katie Blume

These links provide access to the attachments provided as part of this comment.

Comments Attachment: [1.14.2021 CVPA RGGI COMMENT.pdf](#)

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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