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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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Dear Environmental Quality Board,

I'm writing to urge the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) to adopt the proposed CO2 Budget Trading Program, which would enable us to work together with the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) states to cut our carbon pollution without delay.

Nowadays, every year brings once in a lifetime climate events. We have limited time to address this issue before further irreparable harm, and worry about the world the next generation will inherit. Thankfully, RGGI is a win-win for the environment and the economy. Money from the Clean Air Fund can be invested in projects that will help fight climate change, promote clean energy and energy efficiency, and otherwise reduce air pollution. In doing so, this will bring about a net increase of 27,000 jobs to Pennsylvania and increase our gross state product by nearly \$2 billion. This is an initiative that both Republicans and Democrats should be behind.

The framers of our state's Constitution had the foresight to include an environmental rights amendment which makes it clear we have a responsibility to protect our environment not only to ourselves but also for generations yet to come. It is vital that we do our part and cut carbon pollution.

Sincerely, Rebecca Schoen

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely, Jessica Shirley

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