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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:

I am writing today in support of RGGI. As a life-long resident of Pennsylvania, and a citizen who has suffered from asthma, I urge you to take this support seriously.

The Proposed Rulemaking deserves every Pennsylvanian's support because it will help reduce air pollution, improve public health, and begin to address the problem of global warming brought on by CO2 emissions from sources in Pennsylvania. The proposed rulemaking would require that Pennsylvania's budgeted CO2 emissions fall from about 78 million tons of CO2 in 2022 to approximately 58 million tons in 2030 – a drop of about 31 percent. The EQB projects that during that same period, the program would reduce emissions of smog-forming oxides of nitrogen in Pennsylvania by 112,000 tons, and reduce sulfur dioxide emissions by 67,000 tons. Pennsylvania has an opportunity to take real action on reducing air pollution through this program and we need to seize it.

Recently I moved from my home after not being able to tolerate the severe, daily pollution from nearby roads and factories. Living as a climate and pollution refuge is a feeling that no US citizen or Pennsylvanian should have to endure.

Please do your part to make our environment safer for all residents, for today and the future.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely, Jessica Shirley

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