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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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DEP Board of Directors,

I'm writing to you today concerning the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) that will have lasting detrimental effects on our community and schools. The United School District serves four townships which are heavily reliant on the coal industry. Coal mined and exported from Brush Valley Township, the region I represent, supplies the Homer City Generating Station and SW Jack GoGen Plant with the fossil fuels needed to run.

These coal-fired plants generate millions of dollars of revenue and employ thousands in the area. Due to the proximity of the plants, they increase property value which heavily aids our school during property tax collections.

If these generating stations are to be destroyed because of RGGI, so will ours schools.

Please reconsider joining RGGI, as the energy sector in Pennsylvania would be decimated, causing a domino effect onto our communities.

If coal thrives, our school survives.

Best,

Hunter Overdorff  
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No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
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