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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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Comments entered:

While so many PA residents are struggling to get by with high unemployment and low wages, it is beyond my comprehension why Governor Wolf would entertain any idea that may result in the closing of our local coal operated power plants to close.

Our state no longer has any steel mills, coal mines, or other industry that could support our residents or communities financially. The only industry we have left is the local power plants which employ members of the community, union employees and local contractors. Joining the RGGI would be nothing more than another slap in the face to Pennsylvania's workers.

While Governor Wolf makes the comment of \$300m in taxes the RGGI would make for the state, I am curious with no working men and women, whom does he think will be paying these taxes? The only remaining residents PA will soon have are the elderly on fixed income and those living below poverty level. Neither of whom can afford to pay any higher taxes.

Joining the RGGI would do nothing more than cause a financial burden on the residents, communities, and school districts. as our state will continue to lose the working class due to lack of jobs and decreasing income.

As a life-long tax paying Pennsylvanian I strongly urge against joining the RGGI.

Thank you,

Patricia Napotnik

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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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