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**Re: eComment System****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 a full-time employee at an Indiana County coal fired Power Plant which has been recently been promoted to the top of a shrinking list of "PA's Largest Coal Fired Power Plants".

These large, well built, very safe, proven technology, Power Plants supply reliable energy to the area's PJM and NYISO electric grids so that all communities are provided with some of the most cost effective energy supplies in the world.

Many of the remaining coal fired plants have already performed hundreds of millions of dollars of Environmental upgrades that have specifically cleaned the airways of 95% NOx emissions and 95% SOx emissions within just the past five to ten years.

The attached document shows some specific details as to why other sources of Global Warming mechanisms MUST be the causes to the Climate Change our world is currently experiencing.

Things like "long-term climatic cycles, solar activity, sea-surface temperature patterns", etc. are all much more logical reasoning for these Climatic swings. Blaming coal-fired Power Plants cannot be accurate due to the recent number of plants that have closed their doors forever.

Please don't allow further coal-fired Power Plant closures to occur based on "theories" that can

easily be disproven.

The recent COVID-19 pandemic has already caused severe economic impacts to our local communities.

Closures of area Power Plants will impact not only the Power Plant workers but also local coal miners, truck drivers, school districts, churches, businesses, restaurants, raw material suppliers, etc.

Thank you and respectfully - Tom Lezzer

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

Comments Attachment: [Other Global Temp Increases Reasoning 11-23-20.pdf](#)

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
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