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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:

It is instrumental to all Pennsylvanians for us to proceed with this program. Our state is one of the leading producers of electricity, as such, we are also one of the leading contributors to carbon emissions. The impacts are felt far beyond the borders of Pennsylvania, and Pennsylvania itself is seeing the progression of the climate crisis. This regulation would enable Pennsylvania to make the transition to cleaner energy and maintain our place as a leader in the production of electricity.

We are already behind the curve ball on this. Coal plants across the nation are being retired early at a record pace. This will leave a void in our energy portfolio that will be the likes of the decline of the steel industry leaving many without jobs, and bringing the town's that support them in dire straits. This regulation can help provide decent jobs in an already growing industry of clean energy, with the added benefit of lowering our emissions and providing a much cleaner, healthier Pennsylvania.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

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