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Testimony for RGGI December 8, 2020

My name is John Bryan; I am a resident of Narberth PA, and I am testifying as a private citizen. I and my family strongly support Pennsylvania joining the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative. You have heard a lot of testimony already today about the environmental, economic and health benefits of joining RGGI, so I will not repeat those arguments here. Instead I want to stress the responsibility we have to urgently address climate change. Pennsylvania electricity production is currently a globally significant emitter of CO2 and the biggest emitter in the Northeast US. RGGI is a first step in the direction of reducing our carbon pollution significantly.

I hope I am mistaken in fearing that if humanity must act in concert to save itself, we are doomed. The fact of climate change is evident; nevertheless, climate change deniers persist in the face of yearly record setting heat waves and storms; a perfect illustration of Upton Sinclair's observation that "it is impossible to get a man to understand something if his livelihood depends on his not understanding."

Nevertheless we must try. When my children and grandchildren ask what we did to stop climate change when we had the chance, I can say that we advocated for RGGI.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
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