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Comments entered:

I urge Pennsylvania to join the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI). Joining RGGI will reduce Pennsylvania's carbon emissions by over 188 million tons by 2030. So far, from 2008 through 2018, RGGI cut carbon by 47% in the participating states. Contrary to what many fear, RGGI will not cripple our economy and raise electric bills. Electric rates in RGGI states fell by 5.7% while increasing by 8.6% in the rest of the nation.

RGGI has raised \$2.5 billion for energy efficient and renewable energy projects, creating new jobs, improving air and water quality, plus reducing carbon emissions.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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