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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 extremely important for Pennsylvania to join RGGI and help lead the country in modern energy! Traditional energy results in large quantities of pollution being generated into the environment, coal, oil, and natural gas are all large sources of pollution. RGGI Will create a pollution tax, which is a good thing. Taxing pollution is a way to simultaneously help clean up the world and make it healthier for humans and animals alike, as well as discourage the behavior of widespread pollution by corporations. It is important to put language into our laws that prevents corporations from passing on this tax to consumers, instead propose the tax to be applied to the corporation directly. Pollution includes combustion residues, such as SO2, particulate matter, CO2, heavy metals, hydrocarbon emissions, and many others. All of these pollution types are bad for the environment and animals and humans. The use of a tax to fund clean energy, such as lots and lots of solar panels, as well as electric car infrastructure, and incentives for things like electric heat pumps and electric car ownership, is it great way for Pennsylvania to lead in the 21st century rather than keep our head in the past of the polluting and toxic industrial revolution.

Please support joining RGGI!

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

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