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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:

As a PA resident and tax payer, I DON'T SUPPORT the state's initiative to join the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI). We need to remain our energy jobs and to remain to be able to be competitive with other states. Joining the RGGI would be a terrible burden to families and the elderly who can't pay another tax on the already expensive energy bills that Pennsylvanians have now. It is transportation that is the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S. not energy. (Electric cars use electric to charge. The mining of lithium for the batteries and it not being recyclable is another problem big environmental problem for the future) The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics recently reported the damage to the Pennsylvania economy that almost 1/3 of PA's businesses were forced to close. We are second, only behind Michigan. Yet PA is 20 in terms of the percentage of businesses that received a loan or grant tied to payroll. Pennsylvanians can't afford another tax on an essential need as our energy. Especially when U.S. Greenhouse gas emissions have dropped. I will attach a graph from the Pulitzer Prize-winning, nonpartisan report of Inside Climate News that shows the drop. I ask that the state not join the RGGI

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

Comments Attachment: [Pulitzer Prize-winning, nonpartisan reporting insideclimatenews.JPG](#)

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
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