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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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I write this public comment in support of Pennsylvania joining the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, know as the RGGI. We do not need to look at another country to see the fatal and economic results of climate change. Too much emitted carbon is changing our weather patterns and along the way, ruining our health.

Our state is putting a lot of carbon in the air as we have the distinction of being the fourth-largest emitter of greenhouse gases in the nation. This is not a good distinction for Pennsylvania as we propose to be the Keystone that supports our fellow sister states. Who, by the way, are RGGI participants.

I can hear the cries now about "the Jobs". As someone who lived through the devastating decline of the steel industry and its supportive infrastructures in the 1980s; I witnessed a job and economic comeback here in the Pittsburgh area. I saw persons, including three family members move on through job retraining and education. This was due to government funding. There was a job investment and it can happen again when fossil-fueled industries convert to alternative energy source industries.

During your consideration, I ask that you keep in mind all of the young persons who want and need a clean environment. If anything in this year of 2020, it has taught us to look to a brighter

future and that fossil fuels are a thing of the past. I thank you for your consideration.
Theresa Chalich, R.N.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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