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Re: eComment System

The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Air Quality Fee Schedule Amendments (#7-536).

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At a time when western Pennsylvania suffers from some of the worst air quality in the country, the proposed increases in air permit fees are not only fair and appropriate - they are necessary. The DEP needs these funds to conduct the oversight necessary to ensure our right to clean air, as guaranteed by the Environmental Rights Amendment.

In this Pittsburgh area, we have recently experienced some of the difficulties that might be associated with insufficient oversight, as fires at the Clairton works last fall spewed pollutants across the area. Although there is no guarantee that more stringent oversight would have prevented this incident, it is certainly possible that the additional capacity provided by higher fees might prevent similar incidents in the future.

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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