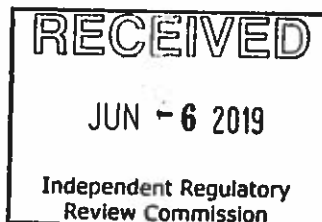


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Re: eComment System

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

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Comments entered:

"My name is Annie Regan and I am writing in support of the PA DEP's proposed Title V permit fee schedule changes because:

The Air Quality Program's expenses now exceed its revenue, which means the money being generated by the existing fee schedule is not adequate to fund the program.

That revenue gap has resulted in a reduction in Air Quality Program staffing, which negatively affects the turnaround time for issuance of plan approvals and operating permits. It also impacts the program's ability to effectively conduct inspections, respond to complaints, and pursue enforcement actions, when necessary.

The potential negative impacts to the environment—and public health—are obvious. Not as obvious are potential impacts to our state economy by slowing or altogether preventing businesses from investing in new facilities and modernizing existing ones.

Sincerely,
Annie Regan

No attachments were included as part of this comment.