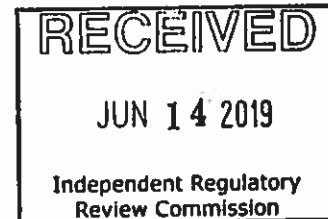


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Re: eComment System

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:

I support the PA Department of Environmental Protection's proposed Title V permit fee increases for the following reasons:

- 1) Currently, the Air Quality Program's expenses exceed its revenue, which means that the existing fees are not adequate to fund the program.
- 2) The revenue gap has resulted in a reduction in Air Quality Program staffing, increasing the length of time to issue approvals and operating permits. It impedes the program's ability to conduct necessary inspections, respond to complaints, and pursue enforcement actions.
- 3) The lack of enforcement has a negative effect on the environment and consequently public health. It also slows or prevents businesses from investing in new facilities and modernizing existing ones.

Thank you for your attention. Sincerely, Janis Johnson

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Jessica Shirley