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To Whom It May Concern:

I'm interested in testifying (by phone or Zoom) September 1st at the public hearing on Pennsylvania's participation in RGGI. These are the points I wish to make at the hearing:

Dear Commissioners,

Many people at today's hearing will make the scientific, economic and public-health cases for why Pennsylvania should be part of RGGI. And, indeed, the science, economics and public-health benefits of RGGI membership are obvious and well-documented. Unfortunately, experience has shown we humans don't respond well to such arguments. If we did, we would have taken the steps necessary to "bend the curve" of the climate crisis decades ago, once the science was clear. Instead, too many of us have indulged in magical thinking, partisan food fights and endless can-kicking.

Time's up.

So many of us say, and even believe, we would do anything for our children and grandchildren. Yet—by our continued inaction on climate—we are consigning them to lives that look nothing like the ones we ourselves were able to enjoy. This summer has been one long trailer of the horror movie they will live if we don't act boldly in their interest. Let's do this thing. Let's make the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the newest member of RGGI.

Thank you.

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