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The Honorable Robert P. Casey, Jr.
393 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Proposed EPA Regulations

Dear Senator Casey:

I am writing to you today, in hopes that you will help protect Pennsylvania from some very troubling EPA regulations. There are several new proposed rules that take aim at traditional sources of energy, and could have catastrophic short and long term economic results for the Commonwealth.

The Transport Rule, Utility Rule, Coal Combustion Rule, and Ozone Rule, are just a few of the many newly proposed job-killing guidelines that the EPA could impose if leaders don't stand up and be heard on the issue.

According to the National Association of Manufacturers, the new rules in tandem would dramatically increase energy prices, while wiping out over 350,000 traditional energy jobs in Pennsylvania. With an additional \$85 billion in costs to the state these rules would bring, you can see how this is a recipe for disaster.

It is disheartening that the current administration is ignoring the fact that a majority of the electorate, and ultimately Congress, rejected Cap and Trade last year. By attempting to implement the same measures with back-door climate mandates, it sends the message that our voices are not being heard.

In a time of fiscal uncertainty, the last thing we need is a government agency sidestepping Congress to institute what we all know will hurt America.

We are looking for your guidance and leadership to make sure Congress isn't bypassed when deciding such a course of action. Please support legislation prohibiting the EPA from implementing any of these new rules.

Sincerely,



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