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Subject: Additional document for the public record.

Hi Lisa and Valerie,

After I offered my public comments on 8/29/18, in opposition to the proposed reductions in RGGI carbon allowances, I received the article attached below. The authors' grant permission to circulate it as I see fit.

Many of the issues I spoke about are herein explained in greater detail. The SCOTUS decision in *Massachusetts vs. the EPA*, (2007), is particularly noteworthy, as it pertains to

"the "deep state" - influential unelected, decision-making, unaccountable government bureaucrats, whose polices and long-term goals are mostly unaffected by changes in elected officials.

The State of Delaware Agencies and Divisions are the trickle-down beneficiaries of the same D.C. culture.

Please add the attached document to the public record and this written comment.

I remain steadfast in my opposition to RGGI and the unconstitutional, unilateral, **regulatory tax increase** proposed in connection with existing RGGI legislation.

I respectfully request this "Start Action Notice" under the Delaware Administrative Procedure Act be rescinded to allow for proper legislative oversight.

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