

PENNSYLVANIA BUSINESSES SUPPORT RGGI

Companies employing thousands of Pennsylvanians support RGGI as a successful tool to reduce carbon pollution and produce a stronger, healthier economy:

BP AMERICA, SUSAN DIO, CHAIRMAN AND PRESIDENT

"The results speak for themselves. Since 2008, power sector emissions have plummeted in the states belonging to RGGI at a rate almost double the rest of the US. Critically, GDP in these states outpaced growth elsewhere by 31% over the same decade, proving states don't have to choose between the economy or the environment. That's why Pennsylvania businesses and policymakers should feel confident that joining RGGI would help them lower emissions and still allow for economic growth. They'd also continue Pennsylvania's dynamic leadership role in America's energy landscape."

TALEN ENERGY OF ALLENTOWN: MORE THAN 2,000 EMPLOYEES IN PA AND A FUEL-DIVERSE PORTFOLIO

Talen believes that the Commonwealth's entry into RGGI, an established market-based approach to lowering carbon emissions, provides a mechanism that allows Pennsylvania to maintain its position as an energy exporter while meeting its carbon reduction goals, and without providing direct subsidies to any particular fuel source."

MARS WRIGLEY NORTH AMERICA, ANTON VINCENT, PRESIDENT

"Mars is proud to be one of nearly two dozen companies, from Westinghouse to BP, as well as small businesses across Pennsylvania, urging the state to quickly finalize its participation in RGGI. In doing so, Mars would be proud to partner with Pennsylvania to lead our nation and world forward into the future of energy."

ROYAL DUTCH SHELL, WHICH IS BUILDING A WORLD-SCALE PETROCHEMICAL PLANT IN BEAVER COUNTY

“The cap and trade structure that is the heart of RGGI is an effective way to transition Pennsylvania’s power sector to a low carbon future and generate funding for programs to reduce carbon across the broader economy.”

VISTRA, NATIONAL POWER COMPANY WITH GAS FACILITIES AND WORKERS IN PA

“We see several benefits in [Pennsylvania] choosing to join RGGI: it is a tool that works seamlessly with the existing competitive markets, gives all energy producers an incentive to reduce emissions, and provides a level of regulatory certainty to guide future investment decisions...”

SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC, JEFF MORRIS, DIRECTOR, STATE GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

"RGGI is a win-win for the environment, energy consumers, and the economy as a whole. In addition to leveraging the power of markets to find innovative, low-carbon solutions, RGGI also provides an important opportunity for states to scale up energy efficiency efforts. Energy efficiency provides thousands of local jobs, helps ratepayers save money on their energy bills, and enables us use energy resources more responsibly."

RGGI FOR PA, A BUSINESS ALLIANCE OF COMPANIES AND INSTITUTIONS THAT EMPLOY NEARLY 61,000 PENNSYLVANIANS

“RGGI presents one of our most cost-efficient opportunities to accelerate emissions reductions while preserving Pennsylvania’s proud status as an economic powerhouse for the many years to come.”