

Hello,

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Please do the utmost to protect our children's future by making RGGI as strong as it can be in accelerating the end of fossil fuel use.

Thank you,  
Andra Rose

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Dear RGGI:

My name is Madeleine Charney and I'm active member of Mothers Out Front in Amherst, MA and mother to a 9-year old boy.

Everyday I think about this nightmare of the increasing temperature, rising sea levels, biodiversity destruction, and the poisoning of our land, air, water and food sources.

The only way out of this heat trap is through a swift and complete transition to renewable energy (along with simplifying our lives).

Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative's cap and invest program is a great step in the right direction. However, we need to step up our methods for reducing carbon pollution. I urge you to implement an "equity analysis" measuring the impacts of CO2 emission on localities, and for capping emissions at 5%.

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Thank you for reading and acting on this.

Madeleine Charney  
Amherst, MA

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Laura MacLeod, family, friends & neighbors

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Thank you!

~Lena Fletcher  
Northampton, Massachusetts

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To Whom It May Concern,

The greatest threats to the future of the world are nuclear war and CLIMATE CHANGE. Perhaps if enough people rally for divesting from fossil fuels, climate catastrophe and war can be averted.

As a member of Hampshire County Mothers Out Front, as well as Climate Action Now and and South Congregational Church's Green Team, I have for many years held the need to transition to renewable

energy as my primary goal. Citizens across the country and beyond recognize the urgency of this request. Politicians and government agencies need to listen and ACT.

We need to do more to reduce carbon and methane pollution. I support and "equity analysis" measuring the impacts of CO2 emission across our state and our country. We must **cap emissions at 5%** as we take action to actively support alternative energy.

There is no second chance to save this world.  
With urgency, Nathalie Bridegam

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I'm writing as a mother, a professional in the green building industry, and as a Massachusetts citizen involved in Mothers Out Front and the Springfield Climate Justice Coalition.

I'm writing because I'm deeply concerned about climate change, and I believe RGGI can play an even more important role in the future than it does today in aiding the necessary transition to a low-carbon economy -- and in making it a just and equitable transition that improves the lives of everyone, particularly frontline communities that currently bear the brunt of our dirty energy choices. But it will only do this if designed that way.

We should be doing much better than we are at reducing carbon pollution and other greenhouse gasses. We need to move away from dirty energy, including gas from fracking. And the communities that have been hurt the most by fossil fuel pollution and other injustices need to benefit from and help shape that transition. With the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) up for review, you can lead on these issues.

I support the strongest possible cap on pollution. To get us closer to zero pollution and reach our climate goals, the RGGI cap must decline by 5% from 2020 levels every year until 2030. I support an "equity analysis" measuring the impacts of CO2 emission on localities, and believe disadvantaged communities should have a say in how RGGI is designed and implemented, should receive and benefit from money made under RGGI, and experience less pollution in their communities because of RGGI. It's critical that the RGGI states take concrete steps to decrease pollution in communities least likely to resist or to be heard, while also making meaningful public engagement an ongoing priority.

In this review, and in future planning, I urge you to stand up for the strongest and most just RGGI possible -- so that everyone's families and kids benefit from this necessary transition.

Jennifer Atlee  
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