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From: Robert Barkalow <bob.barkalow@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2018 1:22 PM
To: Crawford, Jeff S
Subject: Keep Maine's Air Clean!

Dear Jeffrey Crawford,

Mr. Crawford,

I wanted to let you know that I oppose the DEP petition to take most of Maine out of the Ozone Transport Region. This regional agreement has demonstrated that it works for Maine, as well as our sister states. Weakening our participation in this agreement makes no sense for Maine or Mainers. It could also send the wrong signal to other states, encouraging them to opt-out, which would result in more ozone pollution for Maine. Given our geographic position, we need strong clean air protections in upwind states, and to have a shot at that, we need to stay fully committed to this agreement. I hear that Maine has some of the highest rates of asthma in the entire country, and this situation won't improve unless we move forward on clean air protections, instead of backward.

Sincerely,
Bob

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Robert Barkalow

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