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**To:** Crawford, Jeff S

## Hi Jeffrey,

I am comforted by Maine DEP's petition. Sensible and pragmatic. Maine continues to lead the way by confronting regulatory issues that have negligible impacts while impeding positive business activity.

**Bret Watson** 

President - Jotul North America

## **Opportunity for Comment**

## Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 176A(a)(2) Ozone Transport Region Petition

Comment deadline: August 10, 2018

As directed by the Governor, the State of Maine is petitioning the United States Environmental Protection Agency for the removal of certain areas of the State of Maine from the Ozone Transport Region (OTR) pursuant to Clean Air Act Section 176A(a)(2). Maine has been and continues to be in attainment with ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards in those areas petitioned for removal, and emissions from Maine sources have negligible impact on the ozone attainment status of any part of the OTR. The information presented in this petition justifies the exclusion of a portion of the State of Maine from the OTR.

The proposed action would enable DEP to limit areas of the state where new OTR emission controls might be required in the future, and to enable Maine facilities to do capital improvement projects without needing to purchase emission offsets. Such projects would still be required to use the best available control technology to limit emissions to the greatest extent practicable. DEP will not rescind any existing emission control requirements that have been adopted because the state is in the OTR.

Copies of this proposal are available upon request by contacting the Agency contact person or on the DEP website at the links below. Written comments may be submitted by mail, e-mail or fax to the contact person before the end of the comment period. To ensure the comments are considered, they must include your name and the organization you represent, if any.

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