



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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Ms. Lynne Nickol
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Dear Ms. Nickol,

Ohio EPA has received your petition and request for rulemaking to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) from Ohio. Thank you for the information that was provided along with your petitions. Ohio EPA has adopted rules that are equivalent to U.S. EPA's "Tailoring Rule" for new sources to control emissions of GHGs from new sources.

In reviewing your specific request that global CO₂ concentrations be reduced to 350 ppm, Ohio cannot commit to adopt additional requirements for Ohio sources of GHG when there is no broad based international commitment to reduce CO₂ emissions from both developed and developing countries. The adoption of standards by individual states does not mean that CO₂ concentrations will decrease. If, as a result of individual state standards, domestic production is transferred to older, less efficient foreign facilities, then CO₂ emissions may actually increase.

Thank you for the information and your interest in the environment.

Sincerely,

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