

Dear NH Senator/Representative:

On behalf of the undersigned organizations and businesses, and the millions of Americans who enjoy and depend on our wildlife and natural resources, we strongly oppose any effort to weaken the Clean Air Act, one of our nation's most critical health and environmental protections. A bipartisan effort led to the passage of the Clean Air Act in 1970, marking a turning point in American history when it became unacceptable for industries to dump their pollution into our air. Sportsmen and women from across the country united and played a vital role in passing this landmark legislation.

The Clean Air Act has a long history of success in reducing pollution such as acid rain and smog that threatens fish and wildlife and their habitats. Today, the Environmental Protection Agency is poised to cut pollution that causes toxic mercury contamination and set standards to limit carbon pollution. As hunters and anglers, we know how widespread mercury is in our environment, posing a danger to all who eat mercury-laden fish. Some NH fish tested for mercury had the highest readings of any fish tested in North America. Moose and deer livers are unfit for human consumption in NH due to heavy metals leached into their foods by acid rain. Mink tested in NH were also laden with mercury. Regulating mercury and cutting carbon pollution will help protect our long standing investment in our outdoor heritage.

America's hunters, anglers, wildlife watchers and the 79 billion dollar industry that supports them are glad to see long overdue action to reduce mercury pollution and put limits on carbon pollution. Over \$500,000,000 dollars are spent in NH each year by these outdoor enthusiasts. This unique partnership, formed in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, continues to be at the heart of conserving wildlife. We strongly urge you to prevent any Congressional roll back of the Clean Air Act, ensuring our outdoor legacy for future generations.

Sincerely,

300 Archery  
Andover Fish and Game Club  
Belknap County Fish and Game Association  
Brian's Archery Shop  
Carrol County Fish and Game and Shooting Club  
Curt Golder's Angling Adventures  
Dave's Taxidermy  
Fish Tales Taxidermy  
Frenchey's Bait and Tackle  
Friends of the Suncook River  
Granite State Rod and Reel  
Hampton Rod and Gun Club  
Hillside Taxidermy  
Horse Pond Fish and Game Club  
Lake Side Bait and Tackle  
M&D Archery, Dog Training and Guide LLC  
Milford Archery  
Morse Sporting Goods  
NH Archery and Outdoor Sports  
NH Bass Federation  
NH Bear Hunters Association  
NH Trappers Association  
NH Wildlife Federation  
Northern River Guides Service  
Paul's Bait Rig and Tackle

Pelletiers Sports Shop  
Pointer Fish and Game Club  
Rick Forge Outdoors, Inc.  
Riley's Sport Shop  
Rise and Shine Retrievers  
Robert D. Wyatts Guide Service  
Screaming Wolf Taxidermy  
Smith River Trading Post  
Steve's Sport Shop  
Suds N Soda Sport Shop  
Sunrise Taxidermy  
Temple Mountain Anglers Club  
The Family Barber and Bait Shop  
The Fish'n Shanty  
The Sportsmen's Den  
TNT Guide Service  
Trout Unlimited, Ammonoosuc River Chapter  
Trout Unlimited, Basil Woods Chapter  
Trout Unlimited, Great Bay Chapter  
Trout Unlimited, Merrimack River Valley  
Trout Unlimited, Monadnock Chapter  
Trout Unlimited, NH Council  
Trout Unlimited, Pemigewasset River Chapter  
Trout Unlimited, Saco River Chapter  
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