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Lawsuit Filed Challenging Constitutionality of NY's Participation in RGGI

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ALBANY, NY (WAMC) - Three residents of New York have filed suit against the governor, the DEC and NYSERDA challenging the constitutionality of the state's participation in RGGI: the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative. The attorney for the plaintiffs Mark W. Smith says the state did not follow proper procedure when joining the pact.....

The Adirondack Council is among the groups that say the lawsuit has no merit. Legislative Director Scott Lorey.....

Environmental groups believe the litigation is an out-of-state polluter-funded attack on the initiative. They point to the attorney's ties to Americans for Prosperity, an Alexandria, Virginia based group that has worked to derail RGGI in New Jersey and New Hampshire. Again, the Adirondack Council's Scott Lorey.....

New York League of Conservation Voters President Marcia Bystryn.....

Attorney Mark Smith isn't surprised by the reaction to, and criticism of, the suit.....

Ten states participate in the regional carbon dioxide pollution reduction pact.

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