

Subject: Delaware must adopt the Advanced Clean Cars II rule

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To: HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

Dear Hearing Comments

I am writing to strongly urge Delaware to become the first new state to adopt the Advanced Clean Cars II (ACCII) rule – and pave the way for other states to join this important initiative.

Gas-powered cars are contributing to climate change, creating air pollution, and causing heart and respiratory illnesses, as I know you are aware.

The problems caused by gas-powered cars are big, but adopting ACCII will help Delaware transition to zero-emission vehicles much sooner by requiring all new vehicles sold by manufacturers to be zero-emission by 2035.

The benefits of adopting the ACCII rule are many, including:

- A 50% reduction in planet-warming greenhouse gas emissions from passenger cars by 2040.
- Fewer premature deaths, fewer asthma attacks, and fewer missed days of work due to pollution-related health concerns.
- A lower total cost of car ownership (you won't be held to the wild swings in gas prices!).
- The creation of new jobs manufacturing electric vehicles.

With every passing month, the scientific community's calls for action to curb greenhouse gas emissions are growing more and more urgent. Delaware's adoption of the ACCII rule will be the exact kind of action we need to clean up one of the dirtiest sources of pollution in the state. This will protect the health of our planet and the health of our people.

Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Opderbeck