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Comments on 2022-R-A-0011: Low Emission Vehicle Program

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Comments:

I would like to voice my opinion that THE EV MANDATE SHOULD BE STRUCK DOWN. Why should the secretary of DNREC be allowed to pass this law instead of allowing it to go thru legislature. We the residents of Delaware should be able to choose what type of car to buy. It should not be chosen for us. The electrical grid cannot accommodate air conditioners and dryers on 'peak energy days'. How can it support charging all the EV cars? Also, just because the vehicle has no emissions, there is a carbon foot print from the electricity generated that it uses (fossil fuel, etc). Wind and solar are unable to sustainably support them. The batteries themselves are another large issue. Third world countries, like Congo, are being strip mind for the precious metals needed for the production of the batteries using unsafe labor, including child labor. How is this being mindful of the planet let alone human lives? The end-of-life issue for all those thousands and thousands of batteries is also very concerning. Where do they end up? And the cost of a replacement battery topping \$17,000?? Who could afford that? Another battery concern is our fire companies are not equipped to handle the dangers of the batteries should they catch fire during an accident. No EV mandate.