

**Subject:** PLEASE: Adopt the Advanced Clean Cars II Rule  
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**From:** Michael Ward  
**To:** HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

Dear Delaware Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

NOW: Automakers are shifting away from internal combustion cars—Delaware needs to put transportation on the path to zero emissions and require that automakers accelerate the transition.

I am a concerned resident—voicing my support for the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC)—to adopt the Advanced Clean Cars II rule. This vital regulation must ensure rapid reductions in these emissions contributing to more air pollution and daily dramatic effects of climate change.

The Advanced Clean Cars II program will require zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) sales to be 100 percent of all car sales by 2035—with drastic reductions in pollution from gas vehicles sold in the interim. These requirements must increase the annual scale to encourage technological growth beyond business as usual.

Transportation is responsible for more heat-trapping emissions than any other sector in Delaware. Tailpipe emissions not only drive climate change but form the fine particulate matter that's associated with the greatest proportion of adverse health-related effects due to air pollution in this country.

Delaware is running out of time to address this existant climate catastrophe—with impending deaths from more widespread disease and destruction. With each year of inaction, the consequences of unchecked global warming and pollution only grow more severe to the unimaginable expense of Delaware residents across the state—from more severe droughts, major storms, and heat waves as the list goes on.

ZEVs are a proven technology and will help us ensure that Delaware's on track to meet its climate goals and protect public health.

Other states have adopted the Advanced Clean Car II rule. The First State should not be the last one to achieve climate goals. Please adopt these clean car standards and make the commitment to cleaner air, healthier communities.

Sincerely,  
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