Subject: Please adopt the Advanced Clean Cars II rule

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To: HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

Dear Delaware Natural Resources and Environmental Control,

Automakers are shifting away from internal combustion cars. Delaware needs to put transportation on the path to zero emissions and require automakers accelerate the transition. As a concerned resident, I am voicing my support of the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) adopting the Advanced Clean Cars II rule. This regulation is vital to ensure rapid reductions in climate-changing emissions and air pollution.

The Advanced Clean Cars II program will require zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) sales to be 100 percent of all car sales by 2035, and reduce pollution from gas vehicles that are sold in the interim. These requirements will increase and scale annually 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 fine particulate matter, which is associated with the greatest proportion of adverse health effects related to air pollution in the country.

Delaware is running out of time to address the climate crisis. With each year of inaction, the consequences of unchecked global warming pollution grow more severe at the expense of Delaware residents across the state. Severe droughts, major storms, heat waves—the list goes on. ZEVs are a proven technology and will help ensure Delaware is 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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