

**Subject:** Electric Vehicle Mandate

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**To:** HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

Greetings! I have several comments about the proposed EV Mandate. First, I am all in favor of the proposed mandate, eliminating sales of new gas-powered vehicles by 2035. I have listened to several Republican commentaries on why this mandate would be bad, and they (the commentaries) are just extremist, scare-tactic bunk. The Delaware government is not “coming for your gas-powered truck”! A majority of the population of this country admits to the reality of climate change and wants to do something about it – and this is what we CAN do today – implement the proposed rules. Yes! Let’s get it done!

Second, I agree that automotive dealerships need these rules as an incentive to start carrying EVs in stock.

Third, in the April 12<sup>th</sup> Delaware Online article DNREC announces the awarding of grants for installation of 5 new charging stations in Sussex County. That is a bad joke! We need 50-70 new charging stations down here in Sussex County! The Lewes/Rehoboth area is the only place in Sussex County that has an **almost** adequate number of chargers available. Seaford has ONE location. Laurel has ONE location. Bridgeville has ONE location. Every town in Sussex County needs at least TWO locations so that – when the owners of charging stations refuse to do adequate maintenance (as so often happens when relying on private businesses), EV owners still have at least one alternative. I have driven an EV here in Sussex County since November of 2018, and have been very disappointed at the resistance of Delaware Government to the promotion, funding and installation of charging stations. Again, Let’s get it done!

Thank you for receiving and considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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