

Subject: Opposition to EV mandate

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To: HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

CC: Smith, Michael (LegHall)

I am sending this email in opposition to the upcoming proposed "mandate" for the phasing out of gas powered vehicles by the state of Delaware.

Being a car enthusiast I am intrigued by EV's and believe that their styling, in some cases, is cutting edge and beautiful. I may even consider buying one in the future. The operative word in the previous sentence is "consider". I believe that this issue has little to do with emissions, clean energy, and environment, as it has to do with "choice". It appears as though my ability and right to choose is being taken away. I have an analogy regarding "choice". Please focus on the ability to choose. The Supreme Court struck down Roe v Wade taking away a women's right to choose to have an abortion. Each state can make their own choices and Delaware, is decided to let a woman keep that right to choose. In the case of life and death, Delaware is choosing to keep that option open for women. Let's applaud the state of Delaware. Yet, DNREC is "mandating", meaning I have no choice, to decide whether or not I can choose what type of vehicle I drive. Again, the issue is choice and mine is being taken away. As everyone has the right, my protest comes in the form of this email.

I appreciate the access to voice my opinion and I am in total opposition to this proposed mandate. Thank you for your consideration as a concerned citizen and small business owner in New Castle County.

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