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

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I strongly oppose the Low Emission Vehicle Program for many reasons. First and foremost, Electric Vehicles (EV'S) have a 40% larger carbon footprint than an internal combustion engine vehicle if you consider the complete life cycle of each vehicle. So, it is not helping the environment long term. Additionally, EV's are too expensive and my family will not be able to purchase one without undue hardship. Buying a used EV and then possibly having to put a \$14,000 battery in it, is also too expensive. EV's are also extremely dangerous in many ways but in particular in extremely cold temperatures. One example is if you were to get stuck in a traffic jam on an interstate for many hours the EV would not be able to keep you warm and you could freeze to death. This is especially concerning if you have small children on board. While there are many reasons Why EV's are not idea for a main source of human transportation and I could go one and on, I will end with the fact that my Government should not be forcing me to buy any particular product against my will, it is unconstitutional! Let the free-market drive product purchases.