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

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As I have commented in the past in letters opposing the passage of this bill I remain steadfast in my opposition to this mandate. This is not the time to push an agenda on the people of Delaware to mandate the purchase of EV vehicles. The harm to our world in depleting the rare minerals it takes to create these 3 thousand pound batteries to run these EVs not to mention the young people in these third world countries that are used as child slaves to dig for these minerals is inhumane. The CCP own the rights in many of these countries. So, we will be fortifying our enemy's economy by purchasing these products. We do not have the infrastructure in Delaware to charge these EVs. The electric we use to charge these EVs comes from fossil fuels!! They are expensive and limit the ability to commute long distance or travel far and wide. They are dangerous. In cold weather they die leaving people stranded unable to get out of their car due to the fact that everything is electric including the doors, windows and ability to call for help or even open the glove box. They catch fire and are extremely difficult to put out, and we are already having problems getting fire volunteers in our state. Lastly where do all of the old batteries go to die in 10 years when you have to replace them at the cost of \$16-20 thousand dollars. They are not renewable!!! They are toxic to the environment, where will they get buried? I think I have given you more than enough reasons why EVs are not ready for mass production in America. There is still a lot of work to be done to improve them. I will never buy an EV and I think a majority of Americans agree with me. To date only 5% own an EV. You will kill the auto industry.