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OPPOSED TO EV MANDATE Although I have no objection to anyone who chooses to purchase an EV, I am ADAMANTLY OPPOSED to MANDATES imposed by unelected and unaccountable political agency appointees. California has demonstrated their inability to function under their own regulations and to generalize their failed policies to Delaware is detrimental to citizens, economy, and productivity in Delaware. Presently 2% of Delaware vehicles are EV's and the imbecilic imposition of mandates to achieve 34% by 2025 and 100% by 2035 is unrealistic, shortsighted and devastating to the economy in Delaware. Climate Science does not support the demand of a 2-12 year time line. Delaware has achieved all EPA requirements. Yet Delaware now produces only 2% of its power. After 15 years of converting to solar and wind energy production, we are still purchasing our energy from other states to meet the current demand. Yet the regulations will overwhelmingly increase electricity demand and be inordinately detrimental to city dwelling and lower income residents. Small commercial businesses and farming businesses are also adversely affected. Additionally families are suffering from inflation pressures which are exacerbated by the EV Mandate and particularly the timeline demands. Infrastructure nationally and, Delaware specifically, are not prepared to accommodate the timeline demands of these regulations. Delaware has a record of compliance with EPA standards and should not be penalized by failures in neighboring states which are improving compliance at a slower pace. I strongly encourage you to scrap these regulations and mandates. A more realistic and attainable approach to transition is to allow market forces and the legislature to address this issue and offer multifaceted solution options. I Strongly OPPOSE the EV Mandate. Very truly yours, Pat Petrecca Georgetown