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

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Dear Secretary Garvin and DNREC, I am in full support of Delaware joining the other states in adopting the Advanced Clean Cars 2 program. More than 81% of Delaware residents live in counties that do not meet EPA standards for ozone. Air pollution can cause asthma attacks, lung cancer, shortness of breath, heart attacks and strokes. By moving towards 100% zero-emission vehicles, we can improve air quality in Delaware. The American Lung Association estimates that from 2020 to 2050, the cumulative national health benefits of a zero-emission transportation sector would include 110,000 premature deaths avoided, 2.78 million asthma attacks avoided, and 13.4 million lost workdays avoided. Even assuming that gas cars will still make up the majority of the fleet in 2035, adopting ACC2 in Delaware would result in reducing NOx emissions by 78%, and many of the other harmful air pollutants would be cut nearly in half. We need to do this and phase out fossil fuels as much as possible. I know that some folks don't like change, but the change will be gradual, and they will get used to the idea. It's an idea whose time has come. Thank you for your efforts on this! Best regards, Richard Trask 6 Forest Ridge Newark, Delaware