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

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The mandate is unconstitutional and overreaching into the rights of individual citizens who reside in Delaware. EV batteries have lots of issues, such as catching on fire which cannot be extinguished by “normal” methods, non-qualified for emergency situations and super expensive! Not only is the EV expensive but replacing a battery is very costly! And then what happens to all these worn out EV batteries? The process, by which the lithium needed to make the EV batteries, is mined— is not cost-effective. Tires on an EV wear out TWICE as fast because friction comes at a higher cost of faster wear and tear. EV’s carry a heavier load and have to withstand high instant torque, leading to higher tire wear. One tire alone can cost over \$300! What about all the charging stations that are needed per vehicle in the cities? Will the grid be able to sustain such a high load? How many billions of dollars will Delaware pay out for these charging stations? The two charging stations that I currently see in Dover are always covered and evidently not working? They are expensive to maintain and so few electric cars use them. The mandate is almost as ridiculous as insisting that everyone runs their life on solar—where is personal choice and freedom in all of this? It is not about the environment or EV. It is all about the unconscionable thought and reckless disregard of an individual’s choice that is attempting to force Delawareans into driving a certain kind of vehicle. Respectfully submitted