

**Subject:** FW: For the ACC II-ZEV record

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**Subject:**

Dear Michael

First of all I think ev vehicles are a great way to go. The idea of no gas,oil changes and all the maintenance with the internal combustion engine is very appealing to me. That being said, this is the worst idea ever! In my opinion,we have not developed the battery technology to support this mandate. Do you realize that every EV vehicle places a carbon footprint of 4 years before it even leaves the lot. The rare minerals required to make the lithium ion batteries is not indigenous to this country which makes us totally dependant on other countries. This is a serious national security issue. From a green standpoint the batteries are extremely difficult and expensive to recycle. To the best of my knowledge, no one recycles them. The price of these cars are only in reach of the well to do. No programs are being put forward for other fuel sources like hydrogen fuel cells. Using hydrogen we not only fuel our cars but our homes as well. Each home would have it's own hydrogen fuel generator. The emissions on this alternative is ZERO!. The existing cars can be converted. Stating we have fewer ev vehicles is disingenuous considering how small Delaware is . Delawarians living paycheck to paycheck will be hurt the most. I believe people looking at this are not concerned with all other impacts this will have on all of us. Let me be clear. There is NOTHING inexpensive about an EV FOR ALL OF US! Finally, I think it is despicable that the goverment is dictating to me what kind of vehicle I must buy. What makes us the greatest country in the history of mankind is our ability to improve our lives through innovative ideas. I would prefer you folks focus on your jobs and refrain from involving yourselves in something a very small group of people actually want.

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