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

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Comments:

I live in Lewes. I am a full time Delaware resident and voter in my 70s. I strongly favor DE adopting the California vehicle emissions goals. Moving away from carbon fuel is vital for our national security and our climate. Changes in technology always draw backlash. I recall when there were screams about the initial vehicle emission devices, and even seat belts, due to the cost, etc. Good change often requires governmental efforts backed by science. The developed world is moving towards EV. Adopting goals will open up funding and research dollars and programs. Here in Sussex County, tourism is a huge economic driver. Those visiting from other states will expect a robust EV infrastructure to be in place - without it, they will go to Ocean City, VA or NJ beach resorts. The goals will assist in pulling in funding for such infrastructure and the cost of it will continue to decrease. Delaware has done great by having policies shared by neighboring states. The EV goal will be big in the mid-Atlantic and around the world. Head in the sand will result in Delaware failing behind, particularly Sussex County. Thank you. Tom Irvine Lewes Zip code 19958