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

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I am firmly against instituting the Advanced Clean Car II regulations here in Delaware. First and foremost, I don't understand why we would make a decision to follow whatever emissions standards California adopts - we are our own state, and should make decisions that are best for Delawareans. Secondly, it's just a bad idea that will impose a significant burden on the population. We do not have the charging infrastructure set up currently so there will be travel disruptions, but more importantly not everyone wants an electric vehicle and shouldn't be forced to purchase one. I absolutely do NOT want an electric vehicle due to the distance limitations on a single charge. I frequently travel to upstate NY to visit family, and an electric vehicle would mean I would need to stop on my 5 hour trip to charge for at least an hour...no thanks. Lastly, there is simply no benefit to enacting this program. While some emissions would be reduced, there are still emissions from the creation of the electricity to power the vehicles. Further, the United States has excellent emissions numbers as it is - with China, India and others pumping mass amounts of carbon into the air daily, why should American citizens sacrifice even further for what will amount to no global benefit at all? We shouldn't. Cancel this plan immediately and let the technology develop and spread naturally if it's best for citizens. Don't take away choice.