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

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Why do you hate the fire service! These vehicles are dangerous to all residents because of the gasses they put off and the problem they have with catching fire. They are hard to insure because the batteries are so expensive that the insurance industry totals the cars and trucks because of this problem. You don't have any fire engines that have carry enough water to put out the fire, if an ev is on fire! you can't park an ev in a structure of any type because of the fire danger! You can buy a device that will lower the water use to put out an ev but it will cost 30,000 to buy and to train on your own. You have to buy the appliance and jack up the vehicle and drop it on the device which is dangerous in of itself as well as the batteries vent fire from different spots around the vehicle depending on manufacture, as a vent that looks like a flame thrower and if you are standing where this flame comes out YOU are FRIED! You can't tow these vehicles, you have to use a roll back, towing just recharge's the battery restarts the fire. the gasses that I mentioned earlier are carbon monoxide, hydrogen fluoride and with the presents of these chemical's only safe way the fire fighters can approach is with full gear and air pack! This info is from the MSFA safety committee, program! We received a lecture from a professor from the West Virginia University in April 2023! The ev vehicles are not ready for prime time the technology is not there yet because you can't get the car or truck to get the milage. Can you imagine how long it would take to drive to the west coast from here in Delaware. there is not enough charging stations in the rural areas to accommodate the need that will be needed! Hope this has given you something to think about before you vote to make this law in Delaware. I was shown a picture of a tractor that weight was 68,000 lbs. what field would support this in Delaware? With the normal rain we get?