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The only benefit to adopt EV policy would be to benefit The Electric Power companies. With the introduction of solar and its reduction of greenhouse gases electric companies are looking for ways to sell their dirty (generated with coal/oil) power. If everyone is constantly plugging in their vehicles day and night, we are increasing energy use, dirty energy use (generated using coal/oil) we are not reducing it. Experts have admitted that electric vehicles will have little impact on Delaware's low air pollution, (especially when out of state gas-powered vehicles are allowed, and as more and more scientists now admit electric vehicles come with their own set of pollution problems why are we rushing into this foolish program? Electronically charging vehicles uses polluting oil/coal energy, the metals in the battery are mined using "dirty mining methods" that pollute the air and water, the lithium batteries are dangerous and difficult to dispose of safely without leeching poisons into the ground water, etc. The batteries explode and their fires are extremely difficult to extinguish, the batteries last 5 years or so and replacement cost is prohibitive to many. Where are we disposing of gas-powered vehicles when we are no longer allowed to drive them in our own state? Low income people depend on their vehicle and you want them to incur the costs of replacing their current vehicle that they can barely afford with a very expensive vehicle that you cannot count on to be charged in an emergency (medical, evacuation, weather, etc.), people's electric bills will go sky high (increasing greenhouse gases), and trips of 100 miles or more will take many hours, after stopping to charge battery , cold weather and head winds reduce battery life and performance of the vehicle. This is not sustainable in a modern world; we will be living like they did in the 1920's. Think Delaware before you jump off this cliff. Remember Philadelphia's burning buses, they were electric too. Want your kids riding in them? Chinese batteries are always catching fire, guess where they batteries will come from? I do not want this enacted for the safety, security, and function of this state and my quality of life in it.