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

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## Comments:

While I agree that the environment and vehicle emissions are important, the time frames Delaware is proposing are not in line with the state and country's ability to have an infrastructure that can support this proposal. The electric grid can't handle it. Charging stations are not in place. And the nations automotive industry lacks enough parts and trained service personnel to keep these cars moving. Electric technology on cars needs enough time to advance beyond its current driving range, charging times and hopefully costs. Mandating what vehicles can be purchased in the state will simply drive people to make purchases in neighboring states following a reasonable time frame for this transition. I do not think Delaware is on the right track with this pace. Many residents will be unable to afford the cars they are going to be forced to purchase. Also, how are all the batteries going to be disposed of, and what impact will expansion of the electric grid have on the environment. Please reconsider this bill. I am very much against it because I feel it will put extreme hardship on much of Delaware's population.