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

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First off ... this is NOT California that we are living in ... it is the State of Delaware! If I had wanted to live under California law and its rules, I would be on the other coast! I am originally from Northern New York and retired to Delaware for the affordable tax structure available here. Living in southern Sussex County, I have witnessed a growth spurt over the past ten years ... I'm certain that the State has the actual numbers, but I'll just state it has exploded! Infrastructure has not been able to keep up with the growth and I don't know if the production of electricity has been able to keep ahead of population growth ... but if so, then for how much longer? If I have EV's in my driveway, am I going to be able to charge these vehicles at night or are they going to be the first things to go when asked to conserve energy? (A look at the State you are attempting to set our guidelines will tell you that last year, during periods of high energy demand, the utilities wanted people to NOT charge their vehicles so as to conserve enough power to cool their homes ... an "Either Or" situation on many occasions!) Will Delaware be heading down this same road? As I stated, I am originally from Northern New York ... a small town in the Adirondack Mountains ... that is just a bit further than 525 miles. There exists NO ELECTRIC VEHICLE that can make a trip of that magnitude without recharging the batteries! I make that trip on a regular basis ... at least four times a year. Is the State of Delaware telling me I now must run part of the trip, spend the night in a motel with a car charger, then continue on the next day to my destination? That added expense is going to be compensated by whom? The State of Delaware? Is the State also going to pay the additional \$20K price tag that comes with the EV I will be forced into for my journey? There are people who will buy EV's because they can utilize them for commuting to work or locally. I MAY end up with one myself when the price is closer to my income bracket for local commuting. But to be TOLD by a State Agency that "I MUST BUY A EV" ... what in the hell have we come to here in this State? I demand that this issue be placed on a ballot for the voters of this State to decide in the November elections! Sincerely, Tim Burrell 35602 Williamsville Rd. Selbyville, DE 19975 443-857-0859