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

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Comments:

I appreciate you taking time to hear my comments on DENREC's mandate that would eliminate the sale of new gas-powered vehicles. It is my firm belief that as American citizens it should be our option if we want to purchase a gas-powered vehicle or a battery-powered vehicle. I believe that if given enough time the shift to alternative-fueled vehicles will occur naturally without having to force people to choose one specific option. Forcing the EV option with a definitive deadline does not give us enough time as a society to understand the ramifications of this decision. We may find that replacing, disposing of, or recycling of all these required car batteries will be more harmful to the environment than the problem we are attempting to fix by implementing it. It would be wise to transition slowly into EV's as we have been and be able to manage the problems that may arise while they are still small problems and not set up a situation where we are forced to deal with a large problem that would force us to backtrack to gas-powered vehicles. Though I am not an expert in this situation, common sense seems to say to take the process slower and more naturally. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.