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

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Comments:

I'm not opposed to EV's but am opposed to this mandate and rushed time line. The infrastructure required to support EVs is infantile at best and certainly not accessible to all. Can't ignore the environmental impacts of EVs either (lithium mining, increased demand on power grids, etc.). Will DE end up like CA....telling residents not to charge their cars given given strains on grid. Seriously? Is the goal to make everyone stay home? I work but most importantly I'm a caregiver to a young adult with significant special needs. I can't plan my day or needs around whether my vehicle will be charged enough to accomplish what I need to get done. My days are filled with planned and unplanned needs because of my son's unique health needs. This mandate simply becomes one more thing I'd have to manage daily because it will require exactly that....having to think about travel needs and whether my vehicle is capable of meeting those each day. I don't have time to "manage" my car. That's simply an additional burden I can't bear; I have enough on my shoulders. My vehicle must work for my life's needs....as it does now. Equally important, I should have the option to pick the vehicle that does (size, gas, hybrid, EV, etc.) rather than be forced into what others think will work for me yet merely creates an additional burden. Thank you.