

Subject: EV mandate

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To whom it may concern:

I strongly oppose mandating EV purchases for Delawareans.

On a national basis, our electrical grid is not up to the task of supplying the enormous amounts of energy needed for a forced change. Just look at the areas of the country that suffer brown-outs and black-outs in summer when demand is high. This, without the added demand of millions of electrical vehicles not yet on the road.

Further, the vast majority of the electrical/computer components used to manufacture these vehicles are still being supplied by China. Have you learned nothing about the reliability of that supply line? Additionally, our country has made huge strides in our carbon footprint. Let the rest of the world, especially China, clean up their act. Americans can not be held responsible for their bad behavior.

It's hard to fathom that people are so naive, believing this move would be significant on an environmental basis in Delaware. Locally, our air quality is so good that Kent and Sussex counties, by federal rules and regs, are not required to have ethanol in their pump gas. The state decided that if New Castle county is required, then the entire state will be subjected to the same hardship. That is typical Delaware. Upstate doesn't realize anyone or anything exists between the canal and their bar stools in Rehoboth and Dewey. Not to worry for them though. They can make that trip on a single charge. Personally, I travel much longer distances extensively by personal vehicle. The range and recharge times available at this time would effectively double my travel time. I do not accept this.

As with all things, this is yet another example of an exercise in power, control and therefore money. Someone is getting rich on this. The only incontrovertible fact is that it isn't me.

Finally, as long as Delaware continues pretending to be California's little tag-along brother, the state will hemorrhage population and businesses moving to other states. With them goes your tax base, of course it wouldn't be the first time a state cuts off its nose to spite its face. You know, just like changing the court of chancery procedures cost Delaware a sizable amount of cooperate operations, and hence the cooperate taxes. Good move.

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