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

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I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed regulations under Docket #2022-R-A-0011 regarding Delaware's Low Emission Vehicle Program. In a May 13, 2023 interview on Fox Business, Ford CEO Jim Farley was clear that while electric vehicles will be a good choice for some customers and some uses such as short distances around town, to 200 to 300 miles, it's dependent on the customer. He stated that electric vehicles are good for specific customers and uses but are "not a monolith". In fact, he stated that the internal combustion engine is actually going to grow at Ford over the next several years.... "it will be a balanced approach". The provisions mandating a changeover to electric vehicles included in the proposed DNREC regulations move too far too fast. There are too many unknown factors and unintended consequences. As Ford CEO Jim Farley stated, it should be a "balanced approach". The public should have the right to choose based on their specific circumstances and intended uses. Efforts can be undertaken to make electric vehicles a more viable alternative and promote their purchase and use, without implementation of the mandates included in the proposed regulation.