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

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I am respectfully submitting these comments in opposition of the draft amendments of Delaware's LEV Program. It is my understanding that Delaware's requirement to adopt California's Clean Car Program, was done by an executive order. I do not believe that such a far reaching requirement, that will regulate an entire industry and change the transportation structure in the state, should be done via an executive order and DNREC's rulemaking process. Rather, something of this magnitude should be left up to the Delaware's Legislature. Currently, there is not sufficient infrastructure in place in order to support wide spread ZEV's, and there is no guarantee that such infrastructure will be readily available when needed, both on our roads and at residences. Residents who live in apartment complexes will not be able to charge their vehicles at home, without significant costly upgrades by the property manager/owner. There is also no guarantee that our electric grid will be able to provided the need capacity. Also, the cost of ZEV's are significantly higher in cost than Gas and Diesel powered vehicles. Neither will the proposed amendments allow for other types of LEV options such as natural gas and propane. Another problem would be the lack of freedom to travel. If someone wanted to drive an EV to an area in this country that does not have the ZEV program, it would be very difficult to do because of the lack of charging stations. In closing, due to the reasons above, I believe that the proposed amendments should be deserted. Sincerely Jack Mcmanus Milford, DE