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

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Comments:

We are opposed to the mandate regarding electric vehicles. Most cannot afford an expensive vehicle nor the costs associated in maintaining these vehicles. For most households, there are multiple vehicles. We have two currently, but what about households with teens and young adults? For us, as we live in a mobile home community with no garage, we have no access to charge these vehicles, so we will be forced to either install outside electric (with of course, park approval) or would need to rely on a charging station (nearest one to us right now is 20 miles away). No one knows the cost of replacing the batteries, nor are there any ideas or plans of how to dispose of these batteries as they cannot be recycled. Also, what about the electric costs and the electric grid? We are with Delaware Electric Coop, who issues several beat-the-peak alerts in the summer and winter - are charging vehicles going to be allowed during these times? I implore you not to enforce this mandate. Delaware is not California. If passed, we feel we have no choice but to move out of Delaware to a state that cares about their residents and the financial impact a mandate like this would have to low and mid income households.