

Subject: EV Insanity

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To: HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

Dear Secretary Garvin:

I wanted very badly to attend the Electric Vehicle Mandate Meeting at Sussex Central High School, but health issues prevented me from doing so. I'm compelled to share with someone the opinions I planned to voice that night, and Ruth Briggs-King recommended this.

I may be just an old fossil fool, but I believe DNREC in general and you in particular are exhibiting severe signs of environmental illness.

You should not even consider this decision until electric vehicles have evolved to the point where they are every bit so reliable and convenient as real vehicles.

That day is NOWHERE in the foreseeable future.

Imagine dying patients on their way to hospitals in electric ambulances that can barely get out of their own way!

Imagine trying not to freeze to death in a traffic jam on a blizzard-swept highway while the battery in your EV dies!

Imagine police in EVs trying to chase criminals in real vehicles!

There are nearly 900,000 licensed drivers in Delaware, and this decision will somehow affect every one of them... and not well.

It will also have a severely negative impact on Delaware's economy, especially the automotive industry.

New vehicle sales will plummet, because many people who can't buy a new real vehicle will instead buy a used one.

There will soon be nearly no available used vehicles, and the few available will carry fantastic price tags.

Unless DNREC outlaws it, another option would be to buy new real vehicles in neighboring states that have not yet become quite so foolish as Delaware.

This would not be the first time that myopic DNREC decrees have negatively impacted the lives of Delawareans.

However, never before have so many lives been potentially impacted.

This issue is simply too massive to be decided by any one agency, department or person... especially those who are appointed and NOT elected.

This decision should be made, directly or indirectly, only by Delaware voters and no one else.

Since DNREC officials are not elected, the only other option is a referendum at the next election.

The final decision should be left to the many hundreds of thousands who will have to suffer from it, and not by woke liberals appointed by other woke liberals.

This Delaware voter demands the EV issue be decided by referendum at the next statewide election!

Thank you.

Cordially,

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