

# Minutes

## 1p Introduction

Valerie went over the zoom orientation, procedure, and regulatory development timeline.

## 1:35p Questions began.

- 1:39p Josh Fisher asked a question about consumer rebates,
  - Had concerns about consumer rebate, EV sales being too low, infrastructure and construction, and policies not being in place.
- 1:41p David Stevenson asked a question about areas - why is DE involved in the moderate non-attainment, NCC is the only county involved – why is the entire state involved in ACC2?
  - Had concerns about, DE should petition the EPA to get out of the non-attainment area, hybrids produce  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a ton of emissions per year, SB305- concern playing into adoption of low EV and did not pass the house, need specific legislation, forcing people into EVs.
- 1:47p Charlie Garlow asked a question about who will be repairing and maintaining the charging units, and why does DE need more EVs sooner than later?
  - Had concerns about maintenance of DC fast charging units.
- 1:50p Penny Dryden asked a question about how people will be involved in ACC2.
  - Had concerns about community engagement in a meaningful way, plans from 2014 and never heard of ACC.
- 1:52p Kathy Harris asked a question about flexibility in EJ and credit programs and what they will be.
  - Had concerns about complimentary policies to accelerate the transition.

- 1:54 Valerie answered the question about EJ programs.
- 1:56 Kathy Harris asked a question about interest in EVs rising.
- 1:57 Breanne Preisen answered the EV question.
- 2:00p David Stevenson asked a question in chat about registering gas powered vehicles.
- 2:00p Valerie answered yes and explained.
- 2:01p David Stevenson asked a question about charging units charge as fast as they are claimed to, what portion of low-income families have access to charging.
  - Had concerns about charging and infrastructure, cost of the average EV, and manufacturers facing stringent requirements.
- 2:03p Valerie answered we cannot have more stringent requirements than CA.
- 2:03p David Stevenson question about 75% NOx emission from transportation but how broad is the contribution from all transport not just the ones on the slide's chart.
- 2:04p Dustyn Thompson had concerns about
  - Health disparities of communities near larger cities in NCC, low-income communities being able to afford EVs, cost of street parking, not all hybrids can rapidly charge, Delmarva time of use and cost of meters, DNREC needs to bring back the resident rebate, and the used EV market and LMI market needs improvement.

- 2:13p Alia Smith asked a question about in chat
  - What are the EJ credits?
  
- 2:14p Valerie answered that we have flexibility to create EJ programs, but they are in the early stages.
  
- 2:15p Charles Thomas asked a question about bus fleets being able to charge during peak hours to provide transport (247 busses)
  - Had concerns about having infrastructure in place before buying busses, large price differences for peak and non-peak hours with large bus and transit supply so it is flat rate affordable.
  
- 2:16p Josh Fisher
  - Had concerns about the need for rebates, minerals must be sourced in North America, and requirements will keep going up.
  - Comment on the cost of EVs is 60k, ICEs are 40k on average, and consumers will have to pay that to drive an EV.
  
- 2:18p Anna Quisel
  - Had concerns about communities not being able to afford EVs and communities on major roads are exposed to emissions.
  
- 2:20p David Stevenson asked a question about
  - Had concerns about auto manufactures raising the price of EVs when rebates are given out, the price of EVs are not projected to fall any time soon, and EVs will be too expensive for LWI communities.
  
- 2:22p Aleks Casper
  - Had concerns about making EVs accessible to all communities.
  
- 2:24p Anna Quisel asked a question in chat
  - Is this program forcing people to buy EVs?

- 2:24p Valerie answered that the program is not forcing purchase, manufactures have to provide an increased supply of EVs.
  
- 2:45p Kathy Harris made a comment on:
  - The regulation is on new EVs in general, but it is important that the majority of people purchase used instead of new vehicles.
  
- 2:26p Steve Douglas
  - Had concerns about prices going up 100% from last year, the supply chain has a chip shortage which is affecting all vehicles, and the IRA is not increasing rebates.
  - Comment that in 2035 it will be a requirement to own an EV.
  
- 2:30p Charlie Garlow
  - Comment that people will not be forced to buy EVs and that there is a waitlist to purchase an EV.

2:30p Valerie concluded the Q and A session and reviewed the regulatory timeline.

- Next meeting 10/26, at 1 pm.

2:45p Meeting concluded