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**Subject:** Our strong opposition to the mandate adopting CA zero-emission vehicle standards

To:  
Governor John Carney  
DNREC Secretary Shawn Garvin

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Re:  
Our Opposition to the MANDATE moving forward with Delaware adopting California's zero-emission vehicle standards

Governor and Secretary:

We are writing to present our strong opposition to the MANDATE moving forward with adopting California's zero-emission vehicle standards.

Here are our reasons:

**1. Mandated Regulation not Legislation**

Something as impactful as this should be presented to the public so serious analysis and debate can take place.

Also, it should be enacted ONLY if proper legislation passes, and NOT mandated.

Delaware voters have a right to have their voices heard and votes cast.

**2. Independently-owned vehicle repair shops will likely go out of business.**

This will seriously harm many small businesses.

**3. The infrastructure is not currently in place to accommodate this regulation, nor will it likely be in place by 2035.**

What will the cost be for this infrastructure and who will bear this burden?

When will it be implemented?

**4. Electric rates will rise.**

What is the forecast increase in electric rates as a result of this mandate?

With the simultaneous push to eliminate reliable, always available, low cost electricity generation from fossil fuels, how will this be impacted by this mandate?

Wind and solar simply will NOT be a viable option.

Witness the recent flood of dead whales off our Atlantic coast.

**5. The cost to purchase a new vehicle will dramatically rise as EVs are priced \$10,000 more than the automobile industry average.**

With the current new car average cost at \$48,000 the EV vehicles will be OVER \$60,000.  
The Delaware middle class simply cannot afford this.

**6. There will be less fuel taxes collected into the Transportation Trust Fund, thus jeopardizing future road improvements**

**7. Convenient stores (and gas stations) such as Wawa and Royal Farms will have to completely revamp their layout.**

Who will bear these costs?

**8. Once the 100,000 miles warranty for a battery expires, a replacement can cost upwards of \$16,000.**

Again these costs are impossible to conceive.

**9. Finally, residents in urban areas may not have access to charging stations unless cities install them at each parking location.**

We urge you to reconsider implementing this mandate immediately.

Sincerely,

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