Following CA and their Fossil Fuel policy

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Dear Mr. Krall:

I'm appalled at the idea that Delaware is no longer an independent state. We had to follow along with NY, NJ and PA during COVID; as if we were one state run by committee. Now, we're entertaining the idea of following CA's fossil fuels agenda; which works really well since they can't charge their EVs now.

What the heck are you folks in government thinking? Delawareans rely on fossil fuels for more than just vehicles. We need them for winter heating fuel - diesel, natural gas and propane. We need it for the tractors, combined and harvesters. We're an agricultural state!

Then, just how do we get our goods in and out of the state? Trucks, trains and shipping. What do these methods of transportation run on? Hmm. Diesel. Are you planning on closing the port of Wilmington, like they did in CA during COVID, except using the excuse of we can't use fossil fuels? Maybe you'll close down all the trucking and, being a peninsula, we'll just get air drops from the airplanes that fly over Delaware to Philly and Baltimore; and use jet fuel to do it.

Honestly, do these proposals ever get a real examination? It will take a minimum of 20-30 years to get enough electrical infrastructure to supply enough power for charging all the EVs that you would have to require to maintain a reasonable lifestyle here. Then you have to provide plenty of access to individual conversions to private EVs.

Also, who's going to pick up the tab for all this conversion and the costs involved in requiring Delawareans to buy EVs if fossil fuels are eliminated in a relatively short span of time? Who's going to pick.up the tab for installing green energy in our homes and businesses since fossil fuels for heating, cooking, air conditioning, lights etc will not be available?

You're talking thousands of dollars for replacing homes and business systems. More thousands of dollars for "new" cars, trucks, Amtrack and freight train facilities (or will they not be allowed in the state?). Will airplanes be banned? Crops won't be crop dusted anymore. Flights on fly over will have to fly around.

What about DAFB? Will our nation's delivery of supplies to our troops around the world or the funeral flights bringing our fallen home, be stopped?

You all need to really think and extrapolate these proposed policies to their logical conclusion and look at all the ramifications of implementation. You also need to be realistic in expectations of execution and accomplishment.

So far, it seems that CA, DE and any other state looking at this, are living in a dream Utopia. We all want the end goal of "as clean and effective as possible". But, realistic goals and methods have to also be hand in hand with practicality.

All I, and many in my circle of friends and acquaintances, can do is shake our heads and wonder where "the adults in the room" went and wonder who's running out store.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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