Opposition to DNREC Regulation Mandating Phase Out of ICE Powered Vehicles

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I oppose this regulation for the following reasons:

1. Interferes with organic activity that addresses concerns regarding man-made action that causes undesired environmental harm. For more than four decades, government action to address matters of environmental harm resulted in economic harm, social unrest, and even environmental abuse/harm rather than cause an actual benefit. Simply consider ethanol additive to gasoline, which appears only to benefit the corn lobbyists rather than provide lower emissions than that obtained by technological improvements in ICE technology. Furthermore, ethanol production consumes water resources, a stressed natural resource.

2. Disrupts free market action that create economic problems including hurting small businesses, employment, and local economic activity.

3. Causes disruptions in the electric power grids and fails to address concerns related to providing the resources at a sufficient scale to support the forced transition to EV transportation.

4. Fails to consider the economic harm to all but the wealthiest people regarding matters of operating/using EV vehicles. Forcing those already burdened with other statutory financial burdens simply makes no sense. Government seems to lack regard and respect for the money it gets by way of taxes and fees from taxpayers, many of which struggle to make ends meet as those governments fund programs that return little if any value.

Actions like forcing EV-based transportation circumvent constitutional authority by implementing statutory frameworks ‘because you can’ will further harm public trust of all government. One wonders if this is of any concern to those holding positions of influence within our governments.

I hope and pray that this proposal will be tabled.

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