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I urge DNREC to amend Delaware's Low Emission Vehicle Program to bring these regulations into compliance with the Clean Air Act by adopting the California Advanced Clean Car II (ACC II) low emission vehicle and greenhouse gas standards. The original ACC I standards were adopted by California and other states starting in 2010. Many of our neighboring states have adopted or are in the process of adopting these standards, including the updated version adopted this year in California. Because the Delaware General Assembly passed legislation enabling DNREC to start action on updating Delaware's regulations on automotive emissions this spring, it has been appropriate and necessary for DNREC to move forward promptly on drafting new regulations and introducing them to the public. Now that the public has been given an extensive opportunity to review and comment on the draft regulations, I urge that DNREC complete proposed regulations without further delay.

Delaware is still out of compliance with federal standards on ozone. While a very considerable amount of the ozone in our area is due to pollution moving in from Pennsylvania, a significant amount of pollution in our urban areas is due to vehicles in Delaware. Reducing this local pollution in our cities and in area subject to pollution from major Delaware highways and interstates will protect many Delawareans from the major health effects and decreased lifetimes caused by ozone and its precursors, including NOX and SOX.

The new regulations will also provide an important step in decreasing greenhouse gas emissions from transportation. While Delaware's ghg emissions are, of course, very small measured against global totals, we face severe losses from sea-level rise and must demonstrate serious intentions to decrease our emissions.

I thank DNREC for their excellent presentations on this issue and the patience of the presenters in the face of ignorant and disruptive behavior of residents misled by disinformation perpetrated by individuals representing organizations funded by fossil fuel interests.