Electric vehicle concerns

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To: Krall, Kyle (DNREC) <Kyle.Krall@delaware.gov>

Dear Kyle,

Delaware is considering California's policy on electric vehicles. I'd like to express my opposition to this. While electric vehicles have zero tail pipe emissions, they still produce a carbon foot print in other ways. Electricity still needs to be generated to power the cars, i.e. coal, nuclear, etc. Wind and solar power cannot fully support the need. Fossil fuel is still required. Delaware requests that we cut back on our electricity use on high demand days. How will the current infrastructure support all the electric vehicles that it wishes to impose on its residents if we cant even run our washing machines and dish washers? Also, what about the batteries that would need to be disposable of - more pollution. This is not even addressing the environmental impact on the countries that mine for the precious metals batteries require and the risk of human lives of those mining.

Electric vehicles may have a place in the future but Delaware, let alone most of the country, cannot support them fully at this present time.

Please let me know your plans to address the concerns above.

Thank you and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Linda Paine