Public Comments on ACC2 Program for Delaware

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Mr Kyle Krall,

Hello DNREC and Governor Carney,

Early in March 2022, Governor Carney announced that Delaware should move forward with adopting the full Advanced Clean Cars program. I am requesting that you follow through with that commitment.

Now it the time to act on this pledge, because in order for EVs to be available for sale in Delaware, this program needs to be implemented early in 2023. Delaware drivers deserve to have access to more clean, money-saving vehicles that are almost completely unavailable from Delaware dealers until we join this program.

Delaware residents want access to the best selection of EVs and want to be able to purchase them right here in Delaware - that will only happen if we send the message to the auto industry that Delaware is open for business. By signing onto the new Advanced Clean Cars program, our state will show the automobile industry that Delaware is serious about EV adoption. Delaware citizens will be better able to move toward a more healthy future by reducing greenhouse gas emissions through the transition to more EVs. Note that 70% of transportation greenhouse gas emissions come from passenger cars and trucks.

Every year EV buyers have to leave our state just to buy and service their vehicles. A big part of that problem is that we lack the proper supply and dealer incentives to move these cleaner and increasingly affordable vehicles. By quickly adopting the ACC2 program, we can change things for Delaware. Don't let the opposition's misrepresentations get in the way of this important opportunity.

You have already signaled your intent to move down the path of adopting the ACC2 program, so please continue to move forward with your support of this program as it is beneficial to the state of Delaware and to our citizens.

I look forward to you adopting the ACC2 program before the end of 2022 so that Delaware can move into 2023 with confidence that EVs be available for purchase right in our own state.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
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