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Dear Environmental Quality Board,

As one of the 1.5 million Philadelphians who are about to enter yet another summer of having to watch the weather reports for 'Air Quality Alerts' to determine if it is safe for our children and ourselves to go outside, I am urging, in the strongest possible terms, that the state implement the Pennsylvania Clean Vehicles Program – TODAY – not tomorrow. Tomorrow is too easy – it can wait, be put off, and thought of as someone else's problem – namely our children's problem. And tomorrow will be too late for those whose health and safety, which our government is charged with maintaining, are no longer an issue because they have died from such things as respiratory infections, skin cancer, asthma or even heat exhaustion because they can't open their windows.

- o Pennsylvania is ranked as one of the worst states in terms of air quality/pollution
- o One of the worst sources of pollution, and one of the more easily reduced, is cars and trucks
- o The technology which would allow cars and trucks to run cleaner is available and affordable
- o Vehicles meeting the Pennsylvania standards would be more fuel efficient – reducing our dependence on oil
- o By implementing the act, Pennsylvania has the opportunity to set higher standards than those of the federal government.
- o It's the right thing to do

Sincerely,



Kathy Williamson

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