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Dear Environmental Quality Board:

This letter is intended to urge the state to quickly move forward in implementing the Pennsylvania Clean Vehicles Program. Air pollution is negatively affecting our state and its people contributing to asthma and other respiratory conditions.

One of the worst sources of pollution comes from the vehicles we drive. Technology already exists that would enable our vehicles to run cleaner and, thereby, reduce our air pollution.

Prompt action to implement the Pennsylvania Clean Vehicles Program calls for car and truck emissions to be cut by 10 percent, toxic benzene pollution by 15 percent, and global warming emissions by 25 percent by the year 2025. An added benefit of these standards is improved gas mileage which would save Pennsylvanians money.

We should not settle for the weaker federal requirements. Thank you for acting for a cleaner and healthier state.

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