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Dear Environmental Quality Board,

I am writing to urge the state to move ahead as quickly as possible in the implementation of the Pennsylvania Clean Vehicles Program, and its clean air standards for cars and trucks that go beyond weaker federal requirements.

Pennsylvania ranks among the worst states in the country when it comes to air pollution; causing a host of public health problems, including asthma in children and respiratory ailments in adults.

One of the worst sources of this pollution is cars and trucks. Technology exists that would allow cars and trucks to run cleaner and significantly reduce our air pollution problem.

By moving as quickly as possible to implement the PA Clean Vehicles Program we would be able to significantly reduce our air pollution problem - and these standards would likely make cars go farther on a gallon of gas - saving money for Pennsylvanians!

Again, I urge you to move forward on this program. We should not settle for weaker federal requirements.

Sincerely,  
(Catherine Piersol)