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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed Clean Vehicles Program rule. I strongly support the adoption of Advanced Clean Cars II, the Heavy-Duty Omnibus Low NOx Rule, and the Fleet Reporting Requirement.

Washington needs to adopt Advanced Clean Cars II to meet its climate goals according to the State Energy Strategy, which says that basically all new passenger vehicle sales must be zero emissions in 2035 and beyond to affordably decarbonize our economy. We already see the impacts of the climate crisis today with record-breaking heatwaves and more frequent smoke events.

Every new vehicle sold that is powered by fossil fuels is a missed opportunity. Relying on polluting vehicles hurts the climate and our health. It also makes us beholden to oil companies that bring in record profits while raising prices. We need clean options in Washington.

I strongly support this rule and thank the Department of Ecology for its hard work.