

Climate Action of Southwest Washington

Dear Ms. Nikki Harris,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the updates to the Clean Truck Rules. State leadership on clean transportation has never been more important.

I commend the Department of Ecology for making sure we have more clean trucks on our roads in Washington by upholding the Advanced Clean Truck (ACT) program and the Heavy-Duty Omnibus Low NOx rule (HDO), a crucial step in cutting diesel pollution.

Washington can demonstrate its commitment to combating pollution and protecting vulnerable communities with forward-thinking policies like ACT and HDO.

Every delay in clean truck policies directly impacts public health, especially for low-income communities and communities of color, who are disproportionately exposed to harmful diesel emissions.

In China, sales of zero-emission trucks and buses in China reached a historic high of more than 230,000 units in 2024, according to the International Council on Clean Transportation (ICCT). The technology is here.

I strongly support Ecology's proposed rules on ACT and HDO to continue standing up to polluting special interests who seek to delay or halt progress. The Advanced Clean Truck rule is critical for Washington to meet its climate targets in law and for improving our health.

Thank you.