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Dear Nikki Harris,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment in strong support of the Department of Ecology's proposed updates to the Clean Truck Rules. With clean transportation more urgent than ever, I commend your leadership in advancing the Advanced Clean Truck (ACT) and Heavy-Duty Low NOx Omnibus (HDO) regulations—critical tools in reducing harmful emissions on Washington's roads.

By upholding ACT and HDO, Washington can reinforce its commitment to environmental justice and public health. These rules protect the most vulnerable—especially low-income communities and communities of color, who continue to bear the brunt of toxic diesel pollution. As national efforts mount to dismantle these safeguards, we must stand firm.

Every delay in implementing clean truck standards threatens the health of our communities and undermines progress on our climate goals. I urge Ecology to move forward with these commonsense protections and fully implement ACT and HDO without compromise.

Thank you for your continued dedication to a cleaner, healthier Washington.

Warm regards, Jared Howe