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Dear Don Brown,

Please docket this email as a public comment for R2024-017 in the Matter of Proposed Clean Car and Truck Standards: Proposed Section 35 Ill. Admin Code 242.

My public comment is in response to the IL EPA. The EPA's mission is to protect human health and the environment. However, in the IEPA's comment, there was no mention of either. You, as the IPCB, can clearly see how this is extremely frustrating. The agency that was created and whose mission is to protect my health, my family's health, and the health of Illinois, ignored the hundreds of Illinoisans who shared the very real daily impacts of diesel pollution. The IEPA's stance not to adopt these very necessary rules contradicts the IEPA's purpose of achieving its mission "through various actions, including developing and enforcing regulations, conducting research, and providing information to the public." If the IEPA will not support these rules, they are actively choosing to do nothing to address the harms that my community faces from the overwhelming amount of truck traffic and thus diesel pollution.

I encourage you, as the IPCB, to use your power (that you certainly have, despite the IEPA suggesting these rules are outside your control) to do what the IEPA is failing to do. I should not have to normalize worrying that my friends have their inhalers before we go outside, or whether I have enough air filters in my home because of the immense amount of poor air quality from simply opening my windows, as hundreds of trucks pass by my home in Pilsen.

There is no disputing that diesel pollution harms our community. Instead, an overwhelming amount of data demonstrates that our health is directly linked to poor air quality due to diesel pollution. I urge the PCB to listen to Illinoisans and the need to address air pollution through a set a rules that would allow for the biggest impact on cleaning our air.

Thank you for your time. Mariah