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Dear Don Brown,

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

Thank you for receiving my public comment. I am writing to express my concerns over the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's recent opposition to adopting California's Clean Vehicle Standards in Illinois. As a long time resident of Little Village, a neighborhood burdened by some of the worst air quality in Chicago, I am alarmed by the IL EPA's failure to prioritize our health and environment.

My Neighborhood, Little Village, is home to the second largest industrial corridor in the city of Chicago. Area where heavy diesel truck traffic contributes to elevated levels of particulate matter. Residents and neighbors of mine have long reported health issues linked to this pollution, including asthma, heart disease, and other respiratory problems. In response, community members have been active in hosting air quality monitors to track pollution levels to make sense of what it is we are breathing. These grassroots efforts highlight the urgent need for stronger emissions standards to protect public health.

The Clean Vehicle Standards offer a critical opportunity to reduce harmful emissions, improve air quality, and advance environmental justice in communities like Little Village. I strongly urge the Pollution Control Board to adopt these standards and demonstrate a commitment to the health and well-being of all Illinois residents.

Sincerely, Nancy Meza