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Please docket this for public comment regarding the Proposed Clean Car and Truck Standards: Proposed Section 35 Ill. Admin. Code 242, and R2024-017.

Hello and thank you for the opportunity for public comment. My name is Cesar Guerrero and I am a resident of Joliet (60432). I support the Illinois Pollution Control Board adopting the proposed Clean Car and Truck Standards. As a lifelong resident of Joliet I have been a first hand witness to the impacts of trucking and logistics in my community. I live next to the Canadian National rail yard and less than half an hour away from Centerpoint Intermodal Center. For residents of east Joliet, being caught between truck traffic is a daily occurrence. It is not at all uncommon to sit idly in a traffic jam and watch the plumes of diesel exhaust waft into the air. I cannot help but wonder what the health impacts may be of constant exposure to this air pollution. I cared for my grandfather in his final years of life and watched him struggle to breathe as he wrestled with asthma and chronic bronchitis. As I care now for my infant niece I wonder if she is not condemned already to the same fate, if I myself will spend the last years of my life unable to take a full deep breath of fresh air.

I know that I am not the only resident of Joliet who holds these concerns. I serve my community as a member of the Joliet city council. I can say beyond any reasonable doubt that the number one concern that is brought to my attention by my constituents is the issue of truck traffic. Residents are concerned with the safety of sharing the road with these vehicles, with the disproportionate wear of our public roads and of course the health impacts of the consequential air pollution. I understand the complexities of our economic circumstance and that these issues will not be resolved quickly or easily given that warehousing and logistics represent such a large portion of our local economy. I would, however, be happy to share with my community that at least one of these challenges is being addressed. Adopting the proposed Clean Car and Truck Standards will help alleviate the concerns and improve the quality of life for over 150,000 people in Joliet alone. I urge the Illinois Pollution Control Board to adopt these standards for the sake of my community for generations to come.

Thank you for your consideration,

Cesar Guerrero