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Dear Mr. Brown,

It is vital that Illinois lower pollution levels caused by transit. Continuing to burn fossil fuels leads to increased health care costs (i.e., asthma and cancer) and decreased life expectancy. A simple and yet critical solution would be to transition to clean vehicles. There is no need to wait for a “miracle solution” as clean technology is available today, and becoming cheaper every day. The only impediment to a just, clean transition is the political will to finally move away from fossil fuels. Either through inaction or delay would be shameful. Illinois has a chance to be a climate leader. Let us seize the initiative!

As such, I am urging the Illinois Pollution Control Board to adopt clean vehicle standards.

Thank you for your time.

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