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Hi Clerk of the Board Brown,

I wanted to reach out about the Pollution Control Board hearing tomorrow and vehicle emissions standards. I'm a Chicagoan, and I deal with the consequences of pollution downtown every day. I know that this is negatively harming my health, which worries me. It's even more harmful to folks in disproportionately low-income and Black neighborhoods. I specifically like to exercise on the Lake Front Trail bike path, and riding so close to the highway makes it harder to breathe.

The transportation sector is the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in Illinois. This not only threatens our climate, but also our health and the health of our loved ones. Currently, the most populated counties in IL have received failing or near-failing grades for air quality from the American Lung Association's State of the Air Report.

I urge you to adopt the stricter clean vehicle standards being proposed.

Best,  
Jessie Steckling