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To the Illinois Pollution Control Board,

I'm writing to share my disappointment in the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's recent comments opposing the adoption of clean vehicle standards. I was especially disheartened that their response failed to acknowledge the hundreds of community members—including teachers, students, healthcare professionals, parents, and individuals with respiratory conditions—who have expressed clear support for these rules and shared how these standards would meaningfully improve their lives.

As someone who cares deeply about the health of our communities and the urgency of climate action, I was moved by the stories I've heard from the Chicago Public Hearing from those living with asthma, who worry about their children breathing polluted air on the way to school, or who are simply trying to reduce their environmental impact by investing in cleaner transportation options. These voices should matter. Unfortunately, the IEPA's comments did not reflect this outpouring of public engagement and support.

I urge the Illinois Pollution Control Board to listen to the people of Illinois who have shown up, again and again, to ask for cleaner air and healthier communities. Please move forward and adopt the clean vehicle standards. Our health and our future depend on it.