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Subject: Letter From Rep. Mike Gerber

Attached is Rep. Gerber's comments on the Clean Vehicle Program

April 12, 2006

Environmental Quality Board
P. O. Box 8477
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

Dear Environmental Quality Board,

On behalf of my constituents, I am writing to urge the state to move ahead as quickly as possible in implementing the Pennsylvania Clean Vehicles Program and its clean air standards for cars and trucks.

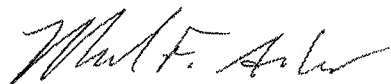
Pennsylvania ranks among the worst states in the country when it comes to air pollution. This dubious distinction not only means our residents health is at risk, but also it discourages economic growth by allowing competing states to claim Pennsylvania provides a poor quality of life.

One of the worst sources of this pollution is cars and trucks. Technologies exist that enable cars and trucks to run more cleanly and, in turn, significantly reduce air pollution. The Pennsylvania Clean Vehicles Plan will help the Commonwealth come into compliance with the health-based standards of the federal Clean Air Act.

An added benefit of implementing the Pennsylvania Clean Vehicles Plan is that new cars will likely get better gas mileage, saving Pennsylvanians money at the pump.

Pennsylvania should be progressive and take the lead on this critical environmental and consumer issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michael F. Gerber".

Michael F. Gerber