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David Small, Cabinet Secretary
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Dear Secretary Small:

I write to ask you to ensure that Delaware remains a national leader in reducing its per capita carbon emissions. I know that your Department is in the process of drafting a state plan to meet the climate reduction goals of the EPA's Clean Power Plan. I also know that Delaware's efforts to deal with climate change and harmful pollution have been so superior to other state efforts that simply trying to achieve the goals of the Clean Power Plan could be a step backwards for us.

We should exceed the modest goals of the Clean Power Plan and keep our state in a leadership position by applying standards to reduce climate pollution from existing power plants. By stepping up our efforts through stricter standards, Delawareans will continue to be protected from harmful pollution.

I congratulate you and everyone at the state level who have been diligent in recent years, especially through participation in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, in curbing pollution from the electricity sector. Let's continue that progress by making sure that Delaware remains a national leader in assessing and acting to mitigate the effects of climate change.

Thank you for your consideration of my view on this subject which represents the position of many of my constituents.

Sincerely,

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