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The Honorable Bill Ferguson  
President of the Senate  
100 State Circle  
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The Honorable Adrienne M. Jones  
Speaker of the House  
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Dear President Ferguson and Speaker Jones:

Section 2-1204.3 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, requires that the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) and Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) provide the Maryland General Assembly an annual status report on a regional governmental initiative, agreement, or compact that limits or reduces greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector. The following information relates to the Transportation Climate Initiative (TCI).

The TCI originated as a regional collaboration between the jurisdictions of Maryland, Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, the District of Columbia, and Virginia. On December 21, 2020, the Governors of Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island and the District of Columbia Mayor announced the establishment of the Transportation and Climate Initiative Program (TCI-P), a cap-and-invest regulation to reduce emissions from motor vehicles and invest in clean transportation solutions. By November 2021, they suspended the TCI-P planned implementation.

Although the TCI-P implementation is no longer active, some jurisdictions continue to collaborate on shared regional transportation priorities. The MDE and MDOT continue to encourage opportunities for regional partnerships that support our State's economic and environmental goals. For example, Maryland was among 16 other jurisdictions, the District of Columbia, and Quebec to develop the Multistate Medium and Heavy Duty Zero-Emissions Vehicles Action Plan released in July 2022. The plan lays out a series of steps to achieve a shared goal of making at least 30 percent of new medium and heavy-duty vehicle sales zero-emission by 2030, and 100 percent of sales by 2050.

Please let us know if you have any questions or would like to discuss more.

Sincerely,

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