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Evs are not compatible with cold weather. End of story

On Thu, Aug 31, 2023, 8:23 AM Cody Brackett <codyallanbrackett@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello. I am reaching out to inform any reader of this comment regarding chapter 127-A & 128.

First & foremost I am a former maine state inspection technician classes A,B,C,D&T certified. 'I chose a different career path'.

I feel I am well qualified to explain that heavy emmisions restrictions & 'drivetrain specific' restrictions are sometimes overly burdensome and unnecessary.

The best and simplest explanation is a near 50% performance loss experience in EV operations during winter months. Unlike ICE engines that produce heat as a byproduct evs must expend energy to create heat for the driver & passenger cabin.

This along with a lack of charging infrastructure severely limits evs useful range and dependability. A DEVASTATING blow to a RURAL state.

My personal job often has me travel 2 hours 1 way. In all weather 24/7. 7 days a week. Sometimes refueling from a gas can if no fuel stations are nearby.

Please disregard the notion that it is wise to use controlling methods to consolidate humans to service city's centers & outskirts. Maine is and always should be rural. Stop introducing life barriers.

Sincerely Cody brackett of patten. Chairman of the selectboard, vice president of patten atv 'largest atv club in maine'

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