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It is incomprehensible that the State of Maine, a state known for its cold weather is even considering mandated EV sales. Is anyone in Augusta who represents the Maine citizens interests paying attention to the catastrophic events happenings with these EVs in cold weather? Not being able to charge those incredible expensive batteries? Where are the charging stations going to be able to recharge these batteries that take hours and hours of charging? Electric rates are beyond our imagination; how are the fleets of trucks that run this country suppose to survive; how will we survive? What about mass bus transportation? We are going to drive ourselves into the ground, with no way to transport goods when the 'powers that be' discover they made a huge mistake; how will the students get to school on buses that can't be charged? Is anyone even considering these problems? Julie Giquere

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