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Committee Chair and Members,

I am writing today in opposition to rule 127A: Advanced Clean Cars 11 Program.

In a totalitarian environment, this would likely be accepted. However, a free people desire to have buying choices.

The 'science' is not settled regarding the impact of humans on climate.

Nor is technology adequate for having the only option being EVs. Notice the power outages, the long charging times, the blow ups of batteries.

I believe we all want clean water, clean soil, clean air. Imposing this rule is not the way to do it. It will make autos unaffordable for the majority of Maine residents. I doubt that the power grid could handle the switchover.

I have heard Jim Lebreque say that solar is 5% effective overall—given dark nights and cloudy days.

We have dependable energy waiting to be tapped: rivers, nuclear and oil reserves.

Respectfully, Kathleen Szostek Dixfield, ME 04224