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To whom it concerns,

My name is Kelly Coffin. I was born in Maine and have been a lifelong resident. I do care about the environment. What I see happening is foolish decisions being forced on people by unelected bureaucrats. This rule on electric cars is not sustainable. There are far too many low income people who cannot afford to buy these overpriced an hyped up vehicles. As a society we are not ready for this. The systems are not efficient or sufficiently in place. They are too expensive, they catch on fire and create Insafe situations for emergency responders. They are too heavy for Maines roads and bridges. If you have large numbers of them sitting on bridges in our state they will collapse. Our infrastructure can barely handle what it has now. And they are not cost effective to produce. They give off more greenhouse gasses to produce than they will make up for and for another thing it makes zero sense to have these types of vehicles in a cold state like Maine whose power grid will not support at this time. And what about the batteries when then they are needing to be recycled? That is going to be a environmental problem worse then what we have now. We as a state need to sit this out and wait for better technology more suited to our states neesd and for our poorer population. I am 56 and thinking about our coming retirement and the funds we will have available and I can say I do not want to spend my precious resources on an electric car. We will have to take our tax dollars and move to a more wisely governed state. Thank you for considering my well rounded opinion. Respectfully, Kelly Coffin

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