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Lynne Cayting,

The thought process behind mandating electric vehicles by 2027 is crazy. All the solar and wind farms sound great to the uneducated person. The fuel used to build the farms particularly the wind generators, is dwarfed by the fuel and money used to extract the raw materials to build the actual solar panels and wind generators that are all built in China. In 20 years or less, most of the panels and generators will have to be replaced, as they have lost 30% of their efficiency. Plus the huge amount of gallons of lubricating oil that is needed to keep the wind generators from burning up. Throw on top of that, the fact that nearly ALL of our electricity, is derived from the burning of some sort of fossil fuels. 20% is produced from the burning of coal, the most inefficient and environmentally destructive fossil fuel we use. The technology is not there yet for a 3/4 ton truck to haul a 4 place snowmobile trailer from Portland to Millinocket and back, without stopping and charging. Forget driving to the Florida. It would take me a week, instead of 28 hours. I will never own an electric vehicle, and our government has no business telling any of us what to buy with our money!

What the Maine Democratic government needs to do is USE COMMON SENCE. Unfortunately there is a huge lack of it.

Respectfully submitted,

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