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My name is Theodore Bragg and I am a resident of Newport. I stand in opposition to this proposed rule (127-A). Most Mainers would not be able to afford electric vehicles, or the extremely high cost of repairs. As we have recently seen, chargers are not reliable in cold weather. Also, during a power outage, home chargers are unreliable as solar panels are inefficient in inclement weather. I would be concerned about folks in Northern Maine traveling long distances getting stranded due to an inefficient charging infrastructure. This rule would hurt the ability of Mainers to get to work, and put undue stress on their already tight budgets.

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