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I am a new owner of a Hyundai Ioniq 5 electric car, and I love it. Here are some reasons:

Stronger standards mean more choices and more savings for Maine drivers who want zero-emission vehicles

- Expands consumer choice by giving Mainers access to more models of zero-emission cars and trucks each year, and doesn't limit their access to gas vehicles.
- EVs save drivers money: [Maine EV drivers](#) can save between \$19-\$30 every time they refuel their EV compared to an equivalent gas vehicle.

We must tackle pollution from cars and trucks to address climate change.

- Transportation is Maine's largest source of climate pollution. These standards would cut pollution from cars and trucks by three-quarters.
- The program is flexible to ensure we meet the state's climate goals – manufacturers have been clear that they will be able to meet the targets included in the program.

Mainers want more clean cars.

- Demand is strong: EVs on the road have tripled since 2020.
- The standards phase in gradually, holding automakers accountable for providing more zero-emission vehicles in Maine over time as more models become available.