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Dear Department of Environmental Protection,

I was born and raised in Maine, and I have always been proud of Maine's natural beauty and tranquil environment, which lead to the quality of life we have here today. That's why I am writing in full support of the Chapter 127-A: Advanced Clean Cars II Program.

We Mainers have not only a right, but a privilege, to call this place home and to steward this beautiful land. With our transportation sector contributing [to almost 50% of our carbon emissions](#), Maine's air quality - and subsequently the world's - are at risk, among the other horrific fates that could occur if we do not curb our CO₂ emissions due to climate change. We are already seeing the tragedies unfold on our coasts, where [the Labrador Current is set to be one of the fastest warming currents on the planet](#).

Maine must do everything in our power to prevent the worst effects of climate change. We just saw the hottest summer on record, and we don't need another record-breaking heatwave or torrential wind storm to know that something must be done about it.

I urge you to support the ACC II as it will help gradually reduce our state emissions by nearly half, and help Maine achieve our climate goals. The more clean options available, the more people can participate in the move toward sustainability.

Thank you,
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