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**To:** DEP Rule Comments  
**Subject:** Please Vote Against California's Advanced Clean Trucks Rule

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Dear Air Quality Bureau Cayting,

Please do not adopt California laws for trucks. We do not have the technology or charging capacity for plows, cranes, large service bodies, etc., and even when the technology exists it won't be practical in a rural state like Maine for a long time. This will add undue burden to small Maine businesses, that will only flow to consumers. Maine's entire carbon footprint is 0.3% of the total US footprint, and it's challenging enough for many, many Mainers to deal with inflation, higher interest rates and very limited affordable housing. It is not appropriate for policymakers to negatively impact the people of the state with a feel good notion of being the "maverick" or "ahead of the curve" with this added burden when It will not make a meaningful difference.

When considering whether to employ the stick or the carrot, if we've tried enticements and they aren't working, either they aren't well targeted, communicated, or practical...which we should listen to. If we haven't tried using carrots, please do that first before aligning us with California, which we are not.

Thank you for your time, consideration and public service.

Sincerely,

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