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To whom this may concern,

I am not in favor of adopting these rules for a myriad of reason, the biggest one being that the cost that will be passed on to the consumer. See below.

Given the future of ZEV's in the MHDV space, it is obvious that considerable investments will have to be made. It is not clear who will pay for what and how much it will cost but make no mistake that adopting this rule will have definite economic consequences. And it is Maine consumers and Maine taxpayers who will pay the price in the end because these huge costs – whether it is grid improvements, charging infrastructure or the significantly higher price of the equipment and added utilization costs – all of it must be paid for somehow. Utilities won't absorb the added generation and distribution costs. Municipalities can't afford to bring infrastructure to fleet facilities without passing on the costs. Fleets can't justify absorbing these costs, along with all the other increasing inflationary costs of running a business, plus the 2x-3x cost of ZEV's without passing it on to their customers. Who in turn will be forced to increase their prices to the consumer.

Thank you.

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