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Lynne Cayting,

I am writing to you today to urge you to oppose the proposed rule to mandate the sale of medium and heavy-duty electric trucks in Maine. I support voluntary choice by consumers of vehicles that meet their needs. This plan is costly, unrealistic, and will alienate affordability of vehicles to the general population and working class

With the cold winters in Maine, all estimates of fuel efficiency need to be slashed in half. The estimates of data for Charging times for long trips need to be doubled in frequency

Electric fast charging only exists for consumers in city areas, which is not even 20% of the geographical area of Maine.

There is NO PUBLIC FAST CHARGER NORTH OF BANGOR. Phase 3 is required for 1hr charging estimates of "convenience"

Phase 2 chargers take 8 hours for the average electric vehicle. There is a lack of charging station infrastructure for the consumer side of electric vehicles. Let alone forcing it upon commercial travel.

Once we have perfected and had the general population adopt electric vehicles and supported charging stations we can take the next step

Versants outrageous fees to have a phase 3 charger on the network create a major cost barrier for any business to want to install one. How many state offices or DOT lots already have a phase 3 charger? To my knowledge, most of them only have a phase 2 which would take days to charge a commercial truck. Imagine the surge in food costs and other costs of goods if transportation costs had to double

Again, please oppose the proposed Rule 128 electric vehicle sales mandates on medium and heavy-duty trucks.

Sincerely,

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