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To the Maine Board of Environmental Protection:

I suppose because I purchased a new car from a Maine dealership in late December of last year, I received an email yesterday from a person whose name I did not recognize at that dealership who was passing along a strong recommendation from the Maine Auto Dealers Association that I contact you to oppose Rule 127-A and Rule 128 mandates that are under consideration regarding the implementation of what he termed "California standards" for zero emission vehicles.

I am going to disappoint him, as I am in fact **strongly in favor** of such mandates and would **urge you to pass them**, especially in light of overwhelming and irrefutable evidence of the harmful effects of climate change that I am so concerned about for our future generations and our planet in general. Referencing the chart he enclosed, to my mind, reductions in zero emissions in new vehicles being offered for sale to 43% by 2027, 68% by 2030, and 82% by 2032 would go a long way toward helping our planet heal from decades of environment abuse.

I hope you see your way clear to do the right thing so that we don't end up destroying our planet and having to answer to future generations who will surely someday ask, "What were you thinking?"

Thank you.

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