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California Air Resources Board

Subject: Strengthen the ZEV Program For New England

Dear California Air Resources Board,

We're proud as New Englanders to stand alongside Californians as the nation's leaders in clean energy. Now, we want to move this legacy forward with strong requirements for emission-reducing electric vehicles.

Your Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) program, which Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Vermont have also adopted, requires automakers to sell increasing numbers of EVs and other zero-emission vehicles. Unfortunately, so far, the vast majority of those cars have been sold in California and not made available to New England consumers like me. Automakers claim there is no market for EVs in the Northeast.

We're here to tell you this is not the case. New England wants to drive electric, and we will not give in to lobbying from the auto industry on the false claim that we're not ready for a cleaner way to get around.

We applaud your groundbreaking ZEV regulation, and urge you to follow through and strengthen this program so that we can realize our goal of more clean electric vehicles on New England's roadways.

Thank you for your time, and thank you for helping us build our clean energy future.

Sincerely,
Ms. Debbie McCarthy