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Dear Ms. Nichols.

I'm writing to implore you and the Air Resources Board members to consider the importance of battery electric vehicles (BEV) and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles (PHEV) for California's air quality and economy.

I have been very fortunate to own and drive a 2002 Toyota Rav4 EV since July 2005. My car's existence is due solely to the ZEV mandate from the 1990's. We charge from our grid tied 4.8 kWh solar

system, making my car a truly ZERO emission vehicle.

As a consumer and parent, I want to have the choice to use cleaner, cheaper, domestic electricity to fuel my cars. CARB must do everything in its power to promote the production of plug-in hybrids and all electric vehicles. My grid connected BEV makes a significant reduction in green house gases and toxic emissions. The ZEV mandate has already proven the technological and economic viability of 100% electric vehicles. CARB must do everything possible to facilitate and expedite the availability of all electric cars and plug-in hybrids.

The auto industry has not shown the initiative and foresight to do this on its own. It will take CARB to facilitate the change needed. There is an alternative technology to gas vehicles available today,

the battery electric vehicle and plug-in hybrids.

Thank you,

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