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I write to comment in opposition to this proposed rule. It seems disingenuous to say that “while there are no direct costs to individuals because of these rules, vehicle manufacturers may choose to pass down costs to consumers.” Higher upfront costs for ZEV will affect consumers, and at a 51% threshold, also is likely drive up the cost of non-ZEV vehicles, because demand for consumers’ preferred vehicles may exceed supply.

The track record of ZEV is not well established and consumers are resistant, note the recent decision of rental car companies to pull back on using ZEV in their rental fleets.

I am the satisfied owner of a 2019 hybrid Toyota Rav4. Hybrid could be a good transition technology to move the industry and the public towards ZEV.

Thank you,

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