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Hello,

As a Maine resident who just purchased a new vehicle this year, I can tell you I would never have been able to afford an EV. Not to mention the multiple pitfalls that would plague residents in this state. Here is a short list of problems with EV:

- . Too cold for batteries
- . Electricity is too high in costs already
- . Cannot exit emergency areas on a charge if you are lucky that it is full
- . Not enough charging stations even if you add more
- . Cannot get there from here in large areas of this state; wooded areas, road closures
- . Power is not readily available throughout the state; hunting areas
- . Using more electricity does not mean cleaner environment
- . Battery life is about 10 years, then what? More costs for new ones and disposal
- . Auto accidents will become more deadly; fire, weight, explosions

Clearly this has not been thought through. We will never be California. We don't want to be either. We are a wooded state. Long, remote, untouched and want to stay that way. EV's are not the answer. Make no mistake, it is environmentally damaging to the earth, more so than fossil fuels.

Respectfully,

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