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Why should a small group decide the fate of fossil fuel vehicles in our State? They do not work in a cold climate, as you have been lead to believe. The range is reduced exponentially. Haven't you ever noticed your car battery is more likely to fail in cold temperatures? Do we want to try to find a functioning charging station in cold weather, then wait at least 30 minutes, most likely much longer, to recharge? This is not only foolish, but dangerous! While waiting you sit in the vehicle using electricity to stay warm, extending the recharge time even longer. Not to mention, the infrastructure does not exist in Maine to support this. I am a master electrician who has worked in the commercial industry my entire career. We all discuss this, not one of us agrees this is even remotely possible. This will be a disaster and result in loss of life, although you may not want to ignore the likely potential of this happening.

This board needs to stop trying to play God. Let the people and market decide if we want EV's, not you.

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