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To the Maine Board of Environmental Protection:

I understand that you will be voting soon regarding whether or not to adopt the Advanced Clean Cars II Program. I am very ambivalent about the Program itself, given that we must try to slow global warming; yet EVs (as they're currently engineered) aren't well-suited to large, poor, northern, mostly-rural states like Maine that have very little charging infrastructure.

What I am most concerned about, however, is the fact that an unelected Board is poised to make wide-ranging mandates that will, almost overnight (it seems), dramatically affect how Mainers live. Such sweeping changes should be debated in the legislature, with as much public input as the State of Maine lawfully grants its citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

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