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Good Day,

I'm writing to have my opinion heard regarding having Maine move forward with the CACCII regulations starting in 2027- Just 3 years away.

I'm sure you have heard plenty about how Maine cold weather is not compatible with the current and foreseeable technology battery storage and how Maine has some of the most expensive electricity bills in the country and how the unreliable and fragile electric grid is not up to the demands of having transportation demand stress the power distribution. Plus having 150 activist environmentalists put forward a petition to fundamentally change the lifestyle and pocketbook of Maine's population. **All without the option of putting it to a Vote by the people that will be affected by it.**

Not to mention the fact that China, a political adversary, controls the Battery & Solar production and that Cobalt mining by children in the Congo will continue to increase.

I am a big fan of electrical propulsion. I've built 2 electric bikes and in the late 70's worked with a group to put together a 1951 Ford F1 Pickup truck that ran lead acid batteries. **I get it.**

We are not at that stage for mass production yet...

The miles of Solar panels installed next to the roadways in Maine were obsolete 2 years later, and not recyclable in 10 years. The cost to Mainer's to move forward with this is astronomical. Mother Nature made it clear prior to your meeting.

How about we do this the democratic way and allow the people and businesses that will be paying for this have a voice in it by having say, a referendum? Well publicised and above reproach?



Oh, Yea- There's this too!
Thanks,
Mike Richard