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Dear Lynne,

As a retired machinist with many years of mechanical and automotive experience, and a solid understanding of both electrical and fossil fuel systems, I have to say that we are decades from developing a satisfactory vehicle and infrastructure for electrical cars. Adopting the most extreme standards in the country, from a state that can't even supply enough power to meet it's own residents needs now, seems to be setting up our state for a disaster.

Maine is not, (thank God) California. This is a poor state, with limited growth, and long cold winters. EV's are not up to the task for most people who commute largely in the dark all winter when lights, wipers, and heat sapping most of the capacity of the batteries.

I am absolutly against this rush into a technology that is not near ready to supply the transportation needs of our citizens.

Thank you for the chance to share my concerns, Robert Thompson, Lewiston.

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