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**Subject:** Proposal to force Mainers to buy electric vehicles

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am a resident of Orrington, Maine, in Penobscot County, having been born here 60 years ago.

I cannot fathom how ridiculous it would be to force Mainers, who drive on ice and snow- covered roads six months a year, to buy electric vehicles. Many Mainers do not have the kind of electric outlets to service an electric vehicle- and many of us don't even have a garage! How are these people supposed to plug in their vehicles?

There aren't nearly as many charging stations as there would need to be; so few Mainers could even afford to purchase such a vehicle and many of us are forced to commute huge distances due to the size of this state.

For a whole host of reasons, this is a disastrous idea that needs to be stopped in its tracks.

Thank you,

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