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Dear members of the Maine Department of Environmental Protection

PLEASE do not recommend limiting internal combustion engines and further promoting EVs.

- Maine winters are hostile to battery technology. Hybrid vehicles are a better choice for Maine's climate.
- Maine is largely rural and creating a practical charging grid would be prohibitively expensive and ultimately a failure.
- Maine's (as opposed to California's) median household income is too low to support the added cost of EVs and their requisite home charging stations.

PLEASE focus on efforts to reduce wood burning and fossil fuel use in heating homes and businesses rather than following in the same steps as more temperate and more populous regions.

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