

Subject: Low emissions hearing

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Please re-think your position on this.

1. Electric vehicles are NOT no emissions. The emission is just shift from the source of the power, from the vehicle to the power plant AND the construction and later disposal of the batteries.
2. The electric grid cannot handle the added volume of electricity especially during the summer months when AC usage is highest.
3. In addition to the volume of new electric generation that will be required, the surge that will happen at 5pm when everyone comes home from work and plugs their car in will create a surge that will (at best) dim everyone's lights but more likely strain and overheat the grid causing black/brown outs and fires.
4. Where is the additional generation going to come from? Gas? Nuclear? Wind (what is the impact on the environment)?, Solar (what will be the impact on the environment when the solar panels have reached end of life)?
5. What happens when the power goes down because of a natural disaster. On the Eastern Shore we are a target for hurricanes and most recently tornadoes. What happens when people try to flee and run out of power on the Bay Bridge? There were communities in California that were without power for over a week, note that the media NEVER ONCE commented on this.

It is easy to look at the car exhaust and point to a source of pollution. With an electric vehicle it is all the pollution that you DON'T SEE that is the problem.

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