

EV's

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Kyle,

Unfortunately I am unable to attend the workshop on banning gas and diesel vehicles after 2035. I believe such a mandate is very short sighted and placed an undue burden on the public. As a country we are unable to maintain our electric grid in a state of good repair. We place an over confidence in wind and solar power which, as Texas has shown, are not stable enough to provide uninterrupted power. The addition of charging stations, according to the Boston Globe) would be the equivalent of adding 30,000 homes to each rest stop. Further, the cost of producing the EV's is radically more than the gas powered vehicles. The batteries alone to moine teh rare earth needed and then to produce the batteries and then store the dead batteries (\$12,000) far exceeds that of the gas powered vehicles (\$125). And, there is no national storage of these used batteries that are toxic.

There is no good reason to follow California on the banning of gas vehicles.

Very truly yours,

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