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Dear Air Quality Bureau Cayting,

Public and private EV charging stations are limited and not equipped to handle heavy trucks.

Investment in more expensive trucks, charging stations, and meeting the demand for power through transmission and delivery upgrades will cost Maine businesses.

Remote locations for product delivery will be challenging along with routes that do not have charging capacity, such as rural Maine or new buildings.

New EV trucks are not currently equipped to handle additional equipment like snowplows, dump bodies, cranes, and other important tools.

The range of new EV trucks, especially given Maine's cold weather climate, is a limiting factor for consumers and could create additional trucks needed for companies who have to meet product delivery schedules.

Maine shouldn't allow California lawmakers to craft our regulations.

Consumer choice to purchase the vehicle that meets their needs for commercial activity is important. Additionally, New Hampshire isn't moving to adopt it, meaning Maine businesses will be competing with another state that can offer more choices and solutions.

The uncertainty of adopting the CA ACT before important questions are answered will create chaos in an already fragile supply chain, and consumers/taxpayers will end up paying higher prices.

Sincerely,

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