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I support the rule(s) which would mandate a transition from motor vehicles powered by internal combustion engines to electric powered motor vehicles by 2035.

Since 2014, I have been depending on electric vehicles for most of my transportation needs. I find that my EV is quiet, very economical (when compared to autos powered by internal combustion engines) and very low maintenance. There's virtually no emissions from my 2019 Nissan Leaf, not even the oil dripping from an engine breather pipe. Ironically, Douglas County has the lowest electric rates in the USA, but my neighbors are very slow to switch to EVs. For comparison, electricity here is 2.5 cents per kilowatt hour. Thirty kilowatts will get you about 100 miles of traveling miles under average conditions. A comparable gasoline powered auto would need about 4 gallons of fuel at a cost of as much as 20 dollars for the same 100 mile trip.

Of course, the real issue here is climate change. There is no way that our planet can avoid the worst consequences of climate change unless we all cease the burning of fossil fuels. The use of fossil fuels for transportation is the biggest single source of greenhouse gases for us in the USA!!