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I am a strong proponent of electric vehicles and I support the Department of Ecology adopting Advanced Clean Cars II.

I am a 4 year Tesla owner and my car odometer just hit 40,000 miles. That is a lot of gas not burned and not poisoning our air. Everyone I have taken for a drive in my car has said "I had no idea electric cars are so much fun to drive." I am not exaggerating when I say "everyone."

I know my Tesla Model 3 (currently priced at \$47,000, not including taxes) is not affordable for most, but that is not the point. US legacy automakers don't want to go bankrupt. Affordable cars will be made, not because of regulations, but because of the demand from consumers. Once someone has driven an electric car, they will never want to go back (most people anyway).

I am a frequent visitor to Chelan County where my electricity cost is under \$0.03 per kilowatt hour (KWh), which is about 1/3 the cost I pay Puget Sound Energy (between \$0.09 and \$0.11 per KWh). During my last visit to Chelan at the end of September, I spent \$2.00 to fill up my car for the 190 mile return drive to Bellevue. After spending \$2.00 to fill up your "tank" with electricity, there is no going back to gasoline. It's game over. Eastern Washington EV owners will be the envy of us "on the coast."

Thank you to everyone at Ecology for supporting the inevitable future of electric vehicles. Please don't let naysayers stand in the way of the future. They actually don't know what they are missing (yet).

Very Truly Yours,

Steve Fisher