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Dear Adam Saul,

I strongly support the proposed Clean Vehicles Program rule.

I have an electric car with a 300 plus mileage range. I was not sure if it would meet all my needs. I had doubts about long distance travel with this vehicle but it turns out it is the vehicle that I choose to use now for all my long journeys as well as around town. It performs better and is safer than by other car.

It is amazing that it is not common knowledge how harmful the use of gas and diesel fuels is to us and our environment. Over four million people in Washington live or work near transportation corridors that are exposed to harmful, high levels of diesel emissions, especially communities of color and low-income communities. Exposure to toxic tailpipe pollution such as NO_x, Particulate Matter (PM), and Ozone is linked to higher rates of premature death, cancer, heart disease, and breathing problems like asthma in kids and adults. I am in support of any plan that helps us move away from using fossil fuels.

I believe that going electric is a positive step in helping the future of our planet. I hope that the Department of Ecology will lead the transition into an all-electric vehicle future!

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