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I intentionally leased my current gasoline engine vehicle with the sole purpose of being able to purchase an EV in 2023 when the lease is up. I am grateful to the NMED and City of Albuquerque's Environmental Health Department for moving forward with the Proposed Clean Car Rule which adopts the California emissions standards for new motor vehicles. I am hopeful the Proposed Clean Car Rule, which goes into effect starting in model year 2026 will incentivize automakers to start shipping more EVs to New Mexico in 2023. Adopting a crediting standard that includes early-action credits and limits use of proportional credits to make a wider variety of EVs available to New Mexicans sooner and limit proportional credits to maximize the amount of EVs manufacturers are required to sell in New Mexico would improve the proposed Clean Car Rule. Proportional credits incentivize manufacturers to sell EVs in California at the expense of other states like New Mexico. Driving an EV is an important and effective way each of us can reduce greenhouses gases and our reliance on fossil fuels. I strongly support the Proposed Clean Car Rule, would like to see it improved with the crediting standard described above, and ask that it be updated to the newest California standards as soon as possible after adoption. Thank you.