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Dear Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham, the NM Environmental Improvement Board, and the Albuquerque-Bernalillo County Air Quality Control Board,

We extend our heartfelt appreciation for your dedicated efforts in championing Clean Cars and Trucks standards for New Mexico. This significant step not only ensures a cleaner environment but also promises a range of benefits for our state's residents.

Key Benefits of Clean Cars & Trucks Standards:

Improved Air Quality: Implementing these standards means New Mexicans can look forward to breathing cleaner air, promoting a healthier community for everyone.

Economic Boost and Job Opportunities: This initiative not only fosters a greener environment but also promises a surge in new job opportunities, contributing to the economic growth of our state.

Consumer Accessibility: The shift to cleaner vehicles will not only offer affordable options but also pave the way for innovative, environmentally friendly transportation solutions.

Facts on Clean Cars & Trucks:

Recent studies indicate that the implementation of Clean Cars and Trucks standards can potentially bring an impressive \$44 billion in benefits to New Mexico. Notably, electric vehicle (EV) sales have surged by 49.8% nationally since last year, with New Mexico leading in EV registrations. These advancements are accompanied by a steady decrease in EV prices, making them more accessible to our communities.

The phased implementation of Clean Cars and Trucks standards ensures a smooth transition for auto manufacturers. This approach is not only flexible but also encourages the production of plug-in hybrid vehicles, catering to diverse consumer preferences.

By setting these standards, New Mexico signals to auto manufacturers its readiness for zero-emission vehicles, encouraging innovation that will deliver vehicles equipped with top-notch batteries and efficient electric engines.

Thank you for leading New Mexico toward a more sustainable, healthier, and prosperous future through Clean Cars and Trucks standards.