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Honorable NM Environmental Improvement Board Members,

My name is June Parsons.

Thank you for this opportunity to speak today in Strong Support of your adoption of 'Advanced Clean Car and Advanced Clean Trucks' standards proposal EIB 23–56, to bring profound Health, Money-saving, and Climate benefits by providing more opportunities for New Mexicans to choose electric and hybrid vehicles.

Adoption of 'Advanced Clean Car and Advanced Clean Trucks' standards would provide many more New Mexicans the opportunity to participate in improving our environment for all us, while saving themselves more than \$1000 a year of their money, not spend on gasoline.

The Advanced Clean Car and Advanced Clean Trucks' standards proposal EIB 23–56 would require auto-makers to make more electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles available to New Mexicans, starting with 2027 model year, while protecting New Mexicans choice to drive their fossil fuel combustion engine vehicles.

These 'Advanced Clean Car and Advanced Clean Trucks' standards are needed to provide New Mexicans with the opportunity to save money, because currently, automakers prioritize providing these vehicles to states that have clean car standards.

This results in under-supply of clean vehicles to New Mexico, depriving most New Mexicans from the opportunity of saving on average more than \$15,000 over the life of their clean vehicle, in their money not spent on gasoline, and combustion engine vehicle repairs.

I can personally attest to saving over \$14,000 in money not spend on gasoline, which I have documented over the past 13 years that I have owned my hybrid vehicle. The original battery continues to work well, and routine maintenance has averaged less than \$400 per year over the entire 13 years.

New Mexico's adoption of 'Advanced Clean Car and Advanced Clean Trucks' standards would provide additional savings benefits for New Mexicans, by providing them the opportunity to save up to \$7500 in Federal tax credits, taken directly off the purchase price of a clean vehicle.

'Advanced Clean Car and Advanced Clean Trucks' standards would also reduce climate pollution into the air we all breathe in New Mexico, by millions of metric tons every year, making the adoption of 'Advanced Clean Car and Advanced Clean Trucks' standards among the most effective Climate policies that New Mexico could and should adopt.

I appreciate this opportunity to stand in Strong Support of New Mexico's adoption of 'Advanced Clean Car and Advanced Clean Trucks' standards, towards enabling my fellow New Mexicans to be a part of cleaning our air for better health, while providing themselves the opportunity to save thousands of dollars of their money.

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