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I am the President of EV3, Inc. ♦ a New Mexico corporation developing electric vehicle (EV) fast-charger stations in New Mexico, primarily in rural New Mexico. The transition to EVs will greatly reduce air pollution in New Mexico. Additionally, the transition to EVs will save New Mexico families significant fuel costs, nearly \$1 billion per year at 50% EV adoption. EVs will also support the Energy Transition Act, doubling the amount of electricity consumed in the state, and supporting local solar and wind electric generation projects, while increasing New Mexico utility revenues by over \$600 million per year at 50% EV adoption.

Current estimates show EV sales in New Mexico reaching 50% of total sales by 2030, spurred by the market savings indicated above. The ERB can support this market based transition by placing a floor on EV sales and encouraging realistic sales in accordance with current market estimates. At the same time the State of New Mexico can assist in the development of private EV fast charger stations in rural areas. Private developers like EV3 support local community businesses, sharing revenues from EV charging with the local landowners, convenience store owners, supermarket owners, and restaurants where EV3 is developing EV fast charger stations. Private sector ownership of EV fast chargers is critical to ensure the implementation of the best technology, convenient locations, and critical maintenance.

Please vote to support the transition to electric vehicles and private markets.