

Dear Connecticut Supporter,

The Governor's Council on Climate change is hosting a meeting in October and invites your public comments. Your comment can be simple and concise - the key point is to express your support for converting our transportation sector to EVs as a way to reduce emissions. Comments can be emailed to deep.climatechange@ct.gov anytime today 9/28 or tomorrow, Thursday 9/29.

Motor vehicles are the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions and criteria air pollutants that adversely affect the health and well-being of Connecticut citizens. As their name implies, electric zero emission vehicles emit no greenhouse gasses as they drive. These vehicles, which require no gasoline and emit no tailpipe pollution, present a critical opportunity to slash dangerous pollution, reduce oil dependence, and forever change the impact of transportation on our health and planet. Because of this, electric vehicles need to be a central focus of the GC3.

Sierra Club Connecticut would appreciate your help in advocating for large-scale Electric Vehicle (EV) adoption in our state.

Electric Vehicles are a serious solution for cutting emissions and must be included in CT's climate planning in order to reach stated goals for reducing emissions.

EV technology is ready for consumers across the nation, but is much more accessible in California than in CT. We need the Governor's Council on Climate Change to come up with concrete plans to make electric vehicles more accessible in our state. California is miles ahead of CT on the number of electric vehicles on the road. Other countries are kilometers ahead of us as well. For example, EVs make up 25 percent of newly registered cars on Norway's roads. Connecticut can do better. We can help our local nine-state region reach our goal of 10 million additional EVs on the road by 2030. Now it's up to our state to promote electric vehicles, build needed infrastructure, and deploy fleets of these clean, low -emission cars in Connecticut.

Please send an email to deep.climatechange@ct.gov asking the Committee to take these steps to make clean EV transportation a reality in CT:

- *To hit Connecticut's long term climate goals, at least 1/3 of the light duty vehicles on the road must be powered by clean electricity by 2030.
- *This requires at least a thirty-fold increase in annual electric vehicle sales.
- *Connecticut must encourage auto dealers and consumers to achieve electric vehicle sales targets.
- *Connecticut needs to secure long term funding commitment to the CHEAPR purchase incentive for electric vehicles.
- *Connecticut needs increased deployment of electric vehicle charging infrastructure, including by electric utilities.
- *Automakers need to make a much larger number of EVs available to dealerships, who in turn need to increase the number of EVs displayed prominently on their lots.

To tell the GC3 that you support clean transportation on Connecticut's roadways email comments to deep.climatechange@ct.gov by Thursday, September 29.

Your input matters to the committee. Thank you so much for participating.

Kind regards,

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