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Dear California Department of Transportation:

I am writing to you today with the hope that government incentives for energy efficient vehicles increase. Although there are government incentives that already exist for electric vehicles, there needs to be more of them to give to the consumers. Electric vehicles are helpful for the economy and the environment, and there should be more driven across California and the United States.

In comparison to incentives for solar panels, many states offer low-interest financing as part of the utility bill. Homeowners can install solar panels on their house and repay the loan through monthly payments. These benefits can be applied to electric cars. The major benefit to an electric car is a smaller environmental impact and it helps the earth by contributing less to the greenhouse effect. Another benefit is never going to the gas station almost every week; you have the luxury to charge your energy efficient vehicle in the comfort of your own home or public driveway. An electric vehicle is also very quick and quiet reducing not only pollution, but noise pollution as well. Thus, an electric vehicle not only helps the driver and his paycheck, but it also benefits everyone around them through less pollution.

Like solar panels, there has been a push to help consumers afford products that benefit everyone from this beyond their budget. I believe there should be just as much government incentives for energy efficient vehicles as solar panels. Solar panels become a new energy source for the homeowner, thus helping them save money. Helping the consumer save money whether it is solar panels or electric vehicles helps them in the future. This leads to cleaner energy resulting in more energy efficient products. Making the switch to energy efficient vehicles is easy, but purchasing them is very difficult which is why we need more government incentives to purchase the vehicles.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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