



Christian Coalition  
of America



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**Subject: Section 30D Plug-In Electric Drive Motor Vehicle Credit**

Dear Chairman Richard Neal:

Members of the EV Drive Coalition, a diverse group of industry, consumer and environmental stakeholders, are writing to express our support of a reformed electric vehicle tax credit and to request that a modification of the credit be considered in the tax and spending package as soon as possible.

The EV Drive Coalition recognizes the numerous benefits of a robust American electric vehicle (EV) industry. The burgeoning EV sector already supports nearly 300,000 American jobs, and the continued deployment of EVs advances domestic manufacturing and jobs, increases our energy independence and reduces harmful air pollution.

Since it became law in 2009, the 30D tax credit has played an integral role in growing the domestic electric vehicle market. But because of the 200,000-per-manufacturer cap, which some automakers have reached or are beginning to reach, consumer choice is constrained, limiting the pool of electric vehicles from which to choose. Lifting the cap will ensure consumers maintain equal access to purchase the car they want. The steady increase in electric vehicle sales has brought us closer to a self-sustaining market as battery prices decrease and leading manufacturers work to achieve economies of scale. A reformed credit will allow the industry to advance those gains and ultimately become self-sustaining.

The benefits of a strong and stable EV market are substantial. The widespread adoption of electric vehicles is critical to making the large-scale changes required to avoid the most devastating aspects of climate change. The transportation sector is responsible for 28% of total greenhouse gas emissions. Implementing policies which encourage more EVs on the road will significantly reduce these emissions and can play a major role in combatting climate change.



A reformed EV tax credit will foster the broader adoption of electric vehicles, sustain and create more jobs in advanced manufacturing, reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and position America as the global leader in electric vehicle development just as demand begins to soar. For those reasons, we urge you to include a commonsense reform to the 30D EV tax credit in the tax and spending package.

Sincerely,

The EV Drive Coalition

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- Advanced Energy Economy
- Arcimoto
- CALSTART
- Center for Climate and Energy Solutions
- ChargeEVC
- ChargeForward
- ChargePoint
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- Electric Auto Association
- eMotorWerks
- Environment America
- EVgo
- Electric Vehicle Charging Association
- EV HybridNoire
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- General Motors
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