



November 28, 2018

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

Dear Member of Congress:

As the diverse membership of industry, consumer and environmental stakeholders that comprise the EV Drive Coalition, we are writing to express our support of a reformed electric vehicle tax credit and to request that a modification of the credit be included in any year-end tax and spending package.

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.

Without a reform to the 30D tax credit, the United States risks ceding its competitive advantage to our global competitors including China, which already boasts hundreds of EV startups. Eliminating the per-manufacturer cap will level the playing field for all EV manufacturers and spur innovation among domestic manufacturers, ensuring America's leadership in the hyper-competitive, global auto market.

Since it was enacted 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 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. Policies that foster the broader adoption of electric vehicles will sustain and create more jobs in advanced manufacturing, reduce our



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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 pursue a commonsense reform to the 30D EV tax credit.

Sincerely,

The EV Drive Coalition

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- Advanced Energy Economy
- CALSTART
- Center for Climate and Energy Solutions
- ChargeEVC
- ChargePoint
- Christian Coalition of America
- Clean Fuels Michigan
- Clean Fuels Ohio
- Cruise Automation
- Electric Auto Association
- eMotorWerks
- Environment America
- EVgo
- Electric Vehicle Charging Association
- Forth
- General Motors
- Nissan
- Plug In America
- Proterra
- Silicon Valley Leadership Group
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