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MECA Welcomes the US EPA Finalization of Tighter Light-Duty Vehicle Standards for Model Years 2023 to 2026

Washington, D.C. – The Manufacturers of Emission Controls Association (MECA) commends the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for finalizing this important rulemaking which takes a step towards reducing the environmental footprint of passenger cars by tightening light-duty vehicle GHG emissions for model years 2023 through 2026.

“MECA and its member companies believe this rule will drive further deployment of a diverse portfolio of existing technology solutions, including improvements in engine efficiency and growing the market penetration of electrified and electric powertrains, to cost-effectively address climate change”, said Rasto Brezny, MECA Executive Director. “We stand ready to work with EPA on the next set of light-duty vehicle standards for model year 2027 and later passenger cars and trucks.”

These ambitious and flexible light-duty standards provide regulatory certainty and are vital for our members’ long-term investments which maintain North American leadership in clean mobility technology. In particular, MECA appreciates EPA’s finalizing of the increased off-cycle credit cap, which incentivizes verifiable technologies that provide real-world GHG reductions beyond those measured by EPA’s standard certification testing.

Our members are leaders in the development of a diverse portfolio of clean, efficient vehicle propulsion technologies to meet the varied needs of consumers today, tomorrow and in the decades to come. These innovative technologies include electrified vehicle battery and fuel cell materials, powertrain components, power electronics, as well as advanced internal combustion engine components such as advanced fuel injection, turbochargers, cooled-EGR systems, dynamic cylinder deactivation, and OBD systems. When combined with advanced catalytic and evaporative emissions controls along with clean low carbon fuels, all light-duty vehicles can meet the goals of these regulations to protect human health and the environment.

MECA member companies have played an integral role in the emissions success story associated with light-duty vehicles in North America. Over the past 50 years, mobile source emission reduction policies have not only delivered important health and climate benefits but have also helped create an industry with a significant number of well-paying, highly skilled jobs and a global economic reach. Our members employ over 70,000 of the nearly 300,000 North American jobs building the technologies that improve the fuel economy and reduce emissions of today's vehicles. This employment figure does not include the hundreds of thousands of additional jobs in the automobile, truck, and off-road equipment component supply and assembly manufacturing industries.

MECA and its member companies will continue to work with EPA in developing innovative, technology-advancing emissions programs to mitigate air quality problems and address climate change. Our industry is committed to do its part to deliver the technologies to meet our nations environmental goals.

Founded in 1976, MECA is a national association of companies that manufacture a variety of technologies that reduce emissions and improve the efficiency of electric, hybrid and combustion cars, trucks, buses, and off-road vehicles and equipment. For more information, please visit us on our website (www.meca.org) and on Twitter ([@MECAforCleanAir](https://twitter.com/MECAforCleanAir)).

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