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MECA Commends EPA's Leadership in Proposing the Next Chapter of Passenger Car and Commercial Vehicle Standards

Washington D.C. – MECA commends the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for its continued leadership in proposing the [next chapter of regulations](#) that will drive innovative electric, hydrogen, high efficiency and emission reduction technologies on model year 2027 and later light-duty and heavy-duty engines and vehicles. Today's announced proposed regulations represent a monumental effort by the Agency and the first time that two major mobile source proposals were announced on the same day. The options underpinning these proposals continue the nearly 50-year collaboration between the agency and clean mobility suppliers to substantially reduce criteria and GHG air pollutants from all new vehicles. EPA has an opportunity with these proposals to achieve significant climate and air quality benefits through a balance of technology pathways, including electrification and high efficiency clean engines.

EPA's regulatory development of these mobile source rules has been informed by a broad spectrum of stakeholders, including technical experts from industry, state regulators and the environmental community. MECA is pleased to be a partner in the strong technical work that informs these proposals. MECA member companies have provided their latest commercially available technologies and engineering expertise to aid EPA in their testing and analysis.

Last year EPA finalized the first part of their clean truck plan that set impactful criteria pollutant standards for trucks and today they complete that plan with corresponding heavy-duty Phase 3 GHG standards. Furthermore, today is the first time that the Agency proposed multipollutant standards for both criteria and GHG emissions for light-duty vehicles.

Rasto Brezny, Executive Director of MECA said, *"The on-road vehicle regulatory proposals announced today are truly transformative for our industry as they will require a diversity of powertrains that represent the cleanest vehicle technologies. MECA supports multiple pathways to decarbonize on-road vehicles through the application of electric powertrains while also demanding the cleanest and most efficient engine and aftertreatment technologies on new vehicles. When combined with reduced carbon footprint from the energy sector, this integrated system solution can help us achieve our climate and air quality goals. A technology agnostic approach of electrification and clean combustion, under all driving conditions, will especially benefit communities disproportionately impacted by emissions from heavily-trafficked roadways."*

MECA supports vehicle standards founded on technologically feasible and cost-effective solutions. MECA members are commercializing technologies that reduce GHG emissions including electric and electrified components, hydrogen, batteries, fuel cells and the most advanced engine and aftertreatment components to make all vehicles as clean as possible. We look forward to reviewing the detailed analysis in the proposals and working with EPA staff to continue to provide technical information and constructive comments to ensure that the final rules achieve the Administration's air quality goals.

About MECA

Founded in 1976, MECA is a nonprofit trade association of the world's leading manufacturers of clean mobility technologies. From combustion to electrification, MECA members are delivering solutions to improve the overall lifecycle emissions footprint of vehicles, including engine, aftertreatment, battery and fuel cell components for conventional, hybrid and electric passenger cars, heavy-duty trucks and off-road equipment.

Over the past 50 years, mobile source emission reduction policies have not only delivered important health benefits but have also helped create an industry with a significant number of well paying highly skilled jobs and a global economic reach. MECA member companies represent 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 tens of thousands of additional jobs in the automobile, truck, and off-road equipment assembly manufacturing industries.

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