
WASHINGTON, Sept. 28, 2023—American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers (AFPM) **Senior Director of Fuels & Vehicle Policy Patrick Kelly** today [testified](#) before the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration against its proposal on two vehicle groups that serves as a de facto ban on internal combustion engine vehicles: the Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) Standards for passenger cars and light trucks for model years 2027– 2032 and fuel efficiency standards for heavy-duty pickup trucks and vans (HDPUV) for model years 2030–2035.

These proposals don't assess the full lifecycle of emissions from all vehicle types and can only be satisfied with the mass adoption of electric vehicles (EV), violating the statutory bounds set by Congress.

“These standards create a distorted vehicle market with expensive, limited choices for American drivers and disproportionately burden those who can least afford it.

“China has a dominant position in the global supply chain for critical mineral extraction, processing, and battery production. The U.S. should not trade away our hard-earned energy security and leave our economy more dependent and financially beholden to countries that control the minerals required to manufacture EV batteries.

“NHTSA should not finalize this proposal and should repropose CAFE and HDPUV standards that follow the direction of Congress, preserve consumer choice, avoid picking technology winners and losers, and maintain our energy and economic security.”

- Patrick Kelly, AFPM Senior Director of Fuels & Vehicle Policy

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