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The largest fleets in the UK support a 2030 ban on sales of new ICE vehicles and an ambitious, simple, timely ZEV mandate

Cc: Chancellor of the Exchequer; Secretary of State for Transport, Secretary of State for the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero, Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change, Secretary of State for the Department for Business and Trade

Dear Prime Minister,

We are writing as the secretariat of the [UK Electric Fleets Coalition](#) (UKEFC) – A group of twenty-eight leading businesses comprising the largest fleets in the UK. Following recent reports in the media that you may review ambition around a number of green policies, we would like to take this opportunity to restate that there is broad corporate support for the confirmed ban on sales of all new petrol and diesel cars and vans by 2030 enforced through a simple, ambitious ZEV Mandate implemented at the beginning of 2024 as planned.

UKEFC signatories are leading the world in commitments to zero emission vehicles and look to your Government to provide the certainty that will enable us to continue to lead the way towards a net zero economy. Since 2020, through the UKEFC, the largest fleets in the UK have demonstrated commitment to the EV transition, supporting the end of sales of new internal combustion cars and vans from 2030 and welcoming the planned Zero Emission Vehicle mandate.

Commitment from your Government is not only essential for the environment but also for the economy. The 2030 phase out date and an ambitious, simple ZEV mandate are critical in ensuring there is a sufficient supply of electric vehicles to match demonstrated demand from fleets. Weakening these policies would create uncertainty for industry, and could result in longer waiting times for these vehicles, frustrating companies' plans to move the UK to a net zero economy. Reduced ambition and greater uncertainty could also result in the charging industry pulling back investment in the UK's charging infrastructure, slowing the roll-out of the new chargers upon which our members will increasingly rely as EV fleets grow in size. Furthermore, ambition and certainty will not only ensure established demand for EVs continues but will signal that the UK is a market for investment in EV manufacturing as well as charging infrastructure. This will create good quality jobs in battery R&D and supply chains, gigafactories for battery manufacturing, charging infrastructure design, development, and maintenance, placing the UK at the heart of an increasingly competitive global market for EVs.

Now is the time to build momentum. Continued certainty from your Government will enable companies to deliver on commitments and continue to lead the transition, recognising that the vehicles business purchase today are the second hand vehicles that households across the country will buy tomorrow.

Your sincerely

The UK Electric Fleets Coalition Secretariat (Convened by Climate Group)

(Full list of UKEFC signatories is listed in the [UKEFC 2022 Policy Paper](#))