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Dear Ms. Robinson,

I wholeheartedly support the proliferation of public charging stations and minimum payment methods. As an EV driver, it is extremely frustrating to find charging stations and find out that they are on a different network so require a different app for payment method. Often they don’t all show up as charging stations unless you are searching for chargers on that specific network. It really makes traveling outside of my comfortable “range” very intimidating and confusing, even in a big city.

And as someone who runs an electric vehicle event, the two stumbling blocks for EV adoption I hear about are 1. Price (which the IRA passage should help upfront costs as well as the fact that maintaining an EV is cheaper than a combustion engine) 2. Charging/range anxiety. These are LITERALLY the only two things stopping everyone I speak with from taking the plunge into getting an EV. We MUST making charging easier, and being able to just use a credit card should be standard!

Also, I have a dream that reliable, fast, public charging stations can be coupled with solar arrays and great places to eat (think rest areas). Why not combine charging stations with food trucks?? You can eat in your car if it’s raining out! Maybe we can support places using locally grown food?! Why not have community solar projects nearby under which local farmers can sustainably grow food? The farmer can keep the solar panels clean, and that water can be funneled to their crops. Crops can hide from the intense summer sun. Panels can be mounted to promote some vertical farming even. They could sell to the food trucks or even have a farm stand?? I mean, this could be a model for the rest of the country!

OK, I need to calm down. I really am excited about the possibility of making charging much, much easier for drivers. Let’s move into the future!

Sincerely,
Tracy Ceravolo