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Waste Tire Reduction Efforts

Hello,

Waste tire disposal is already a problem in California. 14% of waste tires are landfilled, and many more are burned for energy recovery, a dirty and polluting disposal method. Electric vehicles generate even more waste tires than ICE vehicles because they are heavier and have so much torque. The widespread adoption of EVs will cause a very predictable and damaging increase in waste tire generation. Fortunately there are regulations that could be put in place in this rulemaking to alleviate this problem. I would urge you to require that all tires sold in CA come with a minimum warrantied life of 50,000 or 60,000 miles. That would reduce the generation of waste tires. Requiring that all new truck tires be capable of being re-treaded is another common sense measure. Low cost imported truck tires that cannot be retreaded are a growing source of waste tires. It is our collective responsibility to ensure that the adoption of electric vehicles does not have a profound and unintended consequence of increasing waste tire generation.