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TESTIMONY-GIVERS & EXPERT AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWS DURING CLEAN CAR STANDARDS HEARING

(Dearborne, Michigan—Monday, September 24, 2018)—President Trump’s Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Department of Transportation have released a plan [[“SAFE Vehicles Rule”](#)] to roll back America’s clean car standards—critical measures that are already delivering the safe, clean, fuel-efficient cars that our families want and need. They are helping us protect our children’s health and future by fighting climate change.

To defend these lifesaving standards, members of **Moms Clean Air Force** will be offering testimony at the public hearing in Dearborne (see details below). As parents, will be standing strong in our opposition to any weakening of the greenhouse gas and fuel efficiency standards for cars. Rolling back these standards would force parents into dirtier, less-efficient cars, and would be a direct attack on the health of our children.

We invite members of the media to speak with our expert and testimony-givers for interviews during the hearing.

WHO:

Elizabeth Hauptman is a mom whose school-age son suffers from asthma made worse by rising temperatures. Elizabeth is passionate about reducing her family’s carbon footprint whether it’s backyard farming or choosing fuel-efficient transport—and when not enjoying the great outdoors with her family, she is an outspoken advocate on behalf of all children.

[Elizabeth hails from Brighton, MI]

Heather Kaper is a mom and Pediatric Registered Nurse at the University of Michigan Mott Children’s Hospital. As a trusted health care professional working with some of the most vulnerable among us, Heather is proud to use her voice to make sure clean air protections remain strong.

[Heather hails from Ann Arbor, MI]

Trisha Sheehan is a mom of three who became a clean air advocate overnight when her family was exposed to a chemical spill near her hometown in New Jersey. Trisha knows first-hand how air pollution knows no boundaries and must be curbed with the help of elected leaders in order to protect the health of our children. Trisha serves as the National Field Manager for Moms Clean Air Force.

[Trisha hails from Haddon Heights, NJ]

Shakeila James is a proud native of South Carolina where she is raising her three children to speak up on matters of environmental injustice. Having a son with asthma is a constant reminder of why clean air protections matter. As an African-American woman and devout Christian, Shakeila is committed to fighting for protections that address air pollution and climate change like the Clean Car Standards. Shakeila serves as the Regional Field Manager for Moms Clean Air Force.

[Shakeila hails from Simpsonville, South Carolina]

Michael Dello Iacono is dad to five kids including a son who suffers from severe asthma. Michael and his family are no stranger to how air pollution and extreme heat make asthma worse. As a small business owner, Michael both understands regulations and also fervently believes we must reduce car emissions in order to improve health outcomes for our children.

[Michael hails from Concord, New Hampshire]

[EXPERT] **Molly Rauch** is a mom of three and public health policy director for Moms Clean Air Force, where she directs national campaigns that address the health impacts of pollution. Molly recently penned an [op-ed](#) in The Hill urging US automakers GM, Ford and Chrysler to support America's clean car standards.

[Molly is based in Washington, D.C.]

NOTE: Molly will available by phone whereas all testimony-givers listed above will be on location in Dearborne, MI for either in-person or by-phone interviews.

WHEN: Tuesday, September, 25th 2018

WHERE: The Dearborn Inn (a Marriott Hotel), 20301 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn, Michigan, 48124

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