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Thank you for inviting me to take part in the launch of Drive Electric Northern Colorado.

Congratulations to the Electrification Coalition, the City of Fort Collins, the City of Loveland, Colorado State University, and all of the businesses partners who are involved in this bold initiative.

We are all thrilled and excited that the Electrification Coalition has chosen our state as the proving ground for its efforts to achieve widespread deployment of plug-in electric vehicles (PEVs). I know that Colorado, a state with a long history of innovation and collaboration, as well as a deep respect for the environment, is up to the task.

The benefits of this initiative are promising and could lead to a greater understanding of best practices for deploying PEVs, a greater public awareness of the benefits of PEVs, a substantial reduction of our carbon footprint, and less dependence on foreign oil.

I wish you the best of luck and I look forward to hearing more about the progress of Drive Electric Northern Colorado. If there is any way that my office can assist you in this effort, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Michael F. Bennet
United States Senator