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Dear Commission,

I believe raising the gas tax is a good idea.

Another addition to the idea of raising the gas tax is to continually adjust the tax so that the pump price of a gallon of gas rises at a steady, publicized, rate. That way people can plan their life accordingly. They would be able to predict when a particular low mileage vehicle would be un-economical for them to continue using. A person could make a better decision as to how far from work to live if the transportation costs were known and could be depended on.

Another advantage of raising the gas tax is that as California increases the tax the suppliers would have to lower their price to keep the demand constant. This would have the long range effect of reducing the outflow of dollars from the USA.

Regards,

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