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Norway has during the last 10 years produced and promoted the use of battery electrical vehicles in Norway and internationally. The Norwegian Government has during this period applied exemptions from taxes and charges and other measures to help starting up the market for these vehicles. These measures have been essential and of great importance for the existing market for battery electrical vehicles in Norway today.

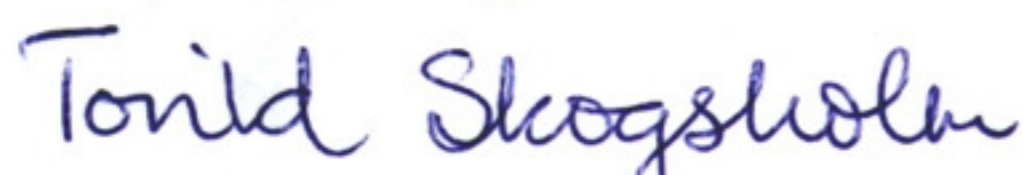
Due to this the demand for EVs is rising dramatically in Norway. Many people are waiting to buy battery electrical vehicles. However, the production of battery electrical vehicles has been reduced the last year and thus available battery electrical vehicles reduced to a minimum.

This is regrettable for the transport sector and the possibilities to reduce global and particularly local emissions.

Ford Motor Company has during its period as an owner of the Norwegian EV brand Think contributed substantially to the development of battery electrical vehicles in Norway and USA. More than 400 Think City have been exported from Norway to different markets abroad.

We would like to ask the management of Ford Motor Company to cooperate to find a good solution for these vehicles in Norway.

Yours sincerely,


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