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Cruising with Chris

Storytelling Time ...

The CHR, Inc., Leaflet is designed for fuel-efficient, hybrid, or electric vehicle owners to tell their story. According to a new report by Bloomberg New Energy Finance, 58% of global passenger vehicle sales in 2040 will come from electric vehicles, (EVs). The study shows that EVs currently make up 3% of global car sales (<https://pv-magazine-usa.com/2020>). Here is another story.

Chris Burns — In September 2018, I joined the new world of electric vehicle technology and clean energy when I purchased my 2018 Tesla Model-S! Technology has always been important to me and knowing that Tesla is the front runner on electric vehicles, I didn't need to look any further.

Why an EV? When I look at the inconsistency of gas prices going from high to very high, it was a no brainer to purchase an EV. Also, I love the look of the Tesla EV, from the giant touchscreen similar to an iPad to the full glass Panoramic roof. Best of all, I get to save a few bucks while also saving the environment.

The benefits of an EV, specifically the Tesla brand, are enormous for me. In my opinion, Tesla sets the bar for what an EV should be. They have the most advanced charging infrastructure already established. Tesla has what they call Super Chargers which are essentially high-powered charging stations like gas stations for non EV vehicles. They are specifically built for Tesla and other vehicles are unable to charge at them. These stations allow quicker charging than other standard stations, often reducing charging time by up to 4 hours. I feel this is a major benefit, especially when taking a road trip. You can drive 200-300 miles stop, plugin, grab some food, use the restroom, be fully charged, and back on the road.

I would describe Tesla as a tech company, that makes vehicles. They use cutting edge technology and environmentally friendly engineering to stay ahead of the game. What a lot of people don't know about Tesla is you don't have to buy a new car every few years to experience all of the new benefits. Like an I-phone all vehicles get software upgrades based on their vehicle model. Anytime there are new features like games, media, or driving improvement software, we all get those without having to trade our vehicles in. Recently we were given the ability to watch tv shows and movies from apps like Netflix, Hulu, and YouTube. It seems like every month they are improving the autopilot driving system. When I first purchased my Tesla all they could do when it comes to (Autopilot) was drive straight. Now nearly 3 years later, they can switch lanes and take freeway exits. Also, when your car is parked in a parking lot, you now can "summon" your vehicle to come to pick you up at your location (like a valet) but with no driver. I feel Tesla is about a year or two away from having fully autonomous vehicles with no drivers needed. Lastly, I can't forget the fun stuff like replacing standard horn sounds with fake engine revving sounds or just about any sound you can find. Can you imagine going camping and using your vehicle as a camper? I have the luxury of laying my seat back and turning on my heat/cooling system and not have to worry about carbon dioxide poisoning.

Maintenance is at a minimum: no oil changes, transmission, or alternators to repair because there isn't an engine. Standard services only include small things like electrical work or adding brake or windshield wiper fluid.

The Myths regarding EVs are just that, myths. I recommend to anyone, especially African Americans if you desire to purchase an EV, do your research. The World is moving in the direction where soon we will not have a choice when it comes to new vehicle sales. Gas vehicles will soon be obsolete. Whether you like it or not, the entire country is turning to EVs. Going green and being energy efficient (saving trees, the atmosphere) is the future, you might as well take advantage of these government tax credits while they are available.

CHR, Inc., would like to thank Chris for telling us about his Tesla. Look for the April issue of our *CHR Leaflet Storyteller Time*.



Chris Burns with his Tesla