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Attorney General Marshall Announces Victory in Lawsuit Opposing California's Electric-Truck Mandates

(Montgomery, Ala.) - Attorney General Steve Marshall announced that California has agreed to repeal its electric-truck mandates which had far-reaching implications beyond California's borders. A coalition of 17 states and the Nebraska Trucking Association challenged several California regulations called Advanced Clean Fleets in the Eastern District of California. Advanced Clean Fleets would have required certain trucking companies to retire internal-combustion trucks and transition to more expensive and less efficient electric-trucks. The rule targeted any fleet that operated in California regardless of where the fleet is headquartered. Given California's large population and access to international ports, this rule would have had nationwide effects on the supply chain. In the settlement announced today, however, California has agreed not to enforce the rule and to repeal it.

"California doesn't get to run the country," Attorney General Steve Marshall said. "Their reckless attempt to force a costly and unworkable electric-truck mandate on businesses nationwide was unlawful and would have been economically disastrous. This rule would have devastated trucking operations that use California's ports, forcing them to buy \$400,000 electric-trucks and invest in infrastructure they can't afford. I'm proud Alabama helped stop it. This is a win for common sense, for the supply chain, and for every state that refuses to bow to California's radical agenda."

As part of the settlement, California regulators pledged to commence rulemaking proceedings to formally scrub the rule from the books. California regulators also conceded that they cannot enforce California's 2036 ban on the sale of internal-combustion trucks unless and until the ban receives a Clean Air Act preemption waiver from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Previously, Attorney General Marshall joined a 24-state coalition led by Nebraska in successfully opposing California's request for a waiver.

In addition to Attorney General Marshall, attorneys general from the following states joined the lawsuit against California regulators: Arkansas, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Utah, West Virginia, and Wyoming. Also joining the lawsuit were the Nebraska Trucking Association and the Arizona State Legislature.

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