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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- China began restricting antimony exports on Sept. 15, limiting access to a mineral that's necessary for advanced energy technology. The United States is 100 percent import-dependent for the mineral.
- The US will miss targets for tailpipe emissions reduction, according to a study in the journal [Nature](#), unless domestic mineral production increases.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CEO

September 18, 2024

Dear Friend,

As Congress digs in after the summer recess, minerals mining is top of mind. The need to accelerate domestic minerals production is especially urgent as China announced its recent decision to restrict antimony exports, highlighting the danger of relying on imports. In our current state of import dependence, global adversaries hold a virtual on-and-off switch to our entire economy. Strong domestic supply chains for minerals would return our economy and energy future to our own control.

Illustrating this dynamic is a new report in [Nature](#), which finds that among the U.S. and its allies, current production of minerals like cobalt, graphite, lithium and nickel, is insufficient to put 10.2 million new EVs on the road by 2032. The study, aimed at understanding how the minerals supply chain will impact whether the U.S. can meet new tailpipe emissions reduction goals, concludes that the gap between current production and the mineral supplies needed to produce those vehicles could be closed by permitting reforms. But this is

To see how U.S. mining can live up to that potential – and do it using the most advanced technologies to improve efficiency, boost production, and reduce environmental impacts, we invite you to view or attend the NMA's [MINExpo](#) from Sept. 24-26 in Las Vegas. For those unable to attend in person, tune into our livestream on [nma.org](#) from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Pacific, Sept. 24-26, and hear from leaders across the industry about the mining industry's most pressing issues and the future of mining at home and abroad.

Thank you,

Rich Nolan

NMA President and CEO

NEWS SPOTLIGHT



Minerals Make Life Blog: [Mineral Mining careers help build our economy for the future](#) (9/17/24)

Mineral mining delivers good-paying jobs, and US companies uphold the world's leading labor and safety standards. With a diverse pool of positions available, there's a place for everyone in mineral mining.



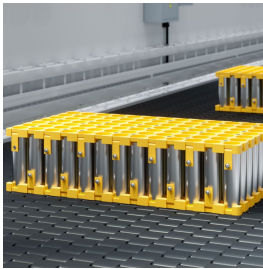
POLITICO: [Biden administration weighs price support for US critical minerals amid Chinese pressure](#) (8/29/24)

The Biden administration is considering using federal dollars to prop up US critical minerals projects being hammered by an influx of cheaper Chinese and Russian materials. The effort comes in response to delays and cancellations of many US minerals processing projects.



E&E News: [Mineral companies pitch lawmakers on ways to counter China](#) (9/12/24)

A bipartisan group of House members is examining ways to promote US minerals production to counter China's control of global mineral supplies needed to build EVs, advanced energy infrastructure, and defense technology.



E&E News: [China tightens grip on materials tied to renewables, batteries](#) (8/29/24)

China announced that it will restrict antimony exports starting Sept. 15, a metal used in used in advanced energy technology. The development highlights the United States' reliance on China for a host of minerals that the federal government has deemed critical.



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