# EV CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE & EXPECTATIONS



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Business as usual isn't working in a transitioning industry



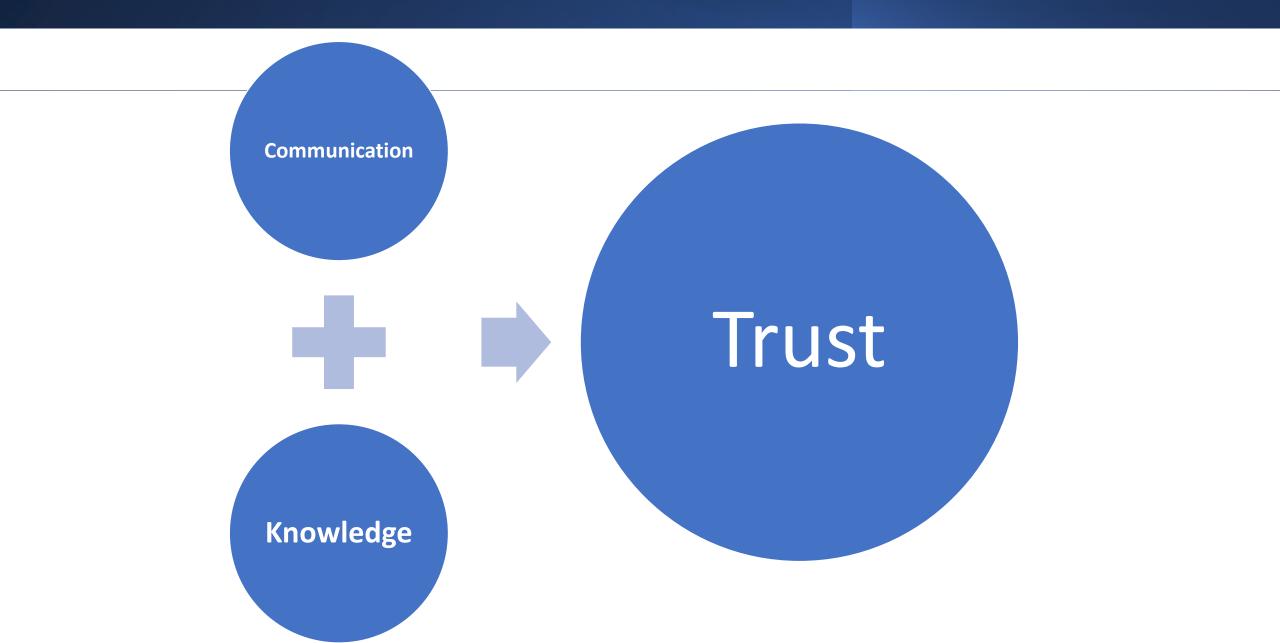
Trust is foundational

Customer with different set of needs

Expertise of your product

Knowledge of the industry

# MANAGING EXPECTATIONS



## Town Hall



Hi EVAAC,

If I went looking to buy an electric vehicle next week (new or used), what would I find out there in Nova Scotia and PEI? (Which dealers have them in stock and would I find some variety to choose from?) And do you think with the new incentives the available supply will be depleted? This is in preparation for an interview I'm doing about this topic.

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Line Surt Sampson, Keith Wilde and 1 other

25 comments



Adam Denny December 3, 2021 · 🚱



Seriously considering buying a 2022 Kona EV. Trying to get a sense of the difference in cost vs. a regular gas powered Kona. It helps that there is a Kona gas model, it makes comparisons easier. So far I have accounted for the original purchase price, fees, rebates, taxes, financing, and gas vs. electricity use. But what about maintenance, tires and insurance? I have heard maintenance is very low (but how low?) - I have assumed it is about 50% of the gas model, perhaps \$5,000 over 10 years vs. \$10,000 for the gas model? Am I off base? And I assumed tires and insurance would

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Sean MacKinnon

August 23, 2019 · 🚱

Hi all, I've been looking at buying my first EV (likely a PHEV), and tempted to pick one up used in Quebec. Has anyone here done that? Anything I should know or consider beforehand? Thanks!



Maggie Woolsey-Gray and 2 others

30 comments

# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**









#### **CUSTOMER EXPECTATIONS**

#### **Customers are looking for:**

- Reassurance and expertise
- Answers to hard questions
- Knowing the competition
- Test driving the vehicle
- A luxury experience





#### HARD QUESTIONS

Infrastructure cost at home?

Cost of charging on the road?

Environmental footprint of battery and energy production?

Fuel / road taxes?
What will happen
in the future?



How long do batteries last?

How often will I replace the battery? What's the cost?

Winter range loss?

How long does

It take to

charge?



Can the electrical grid handle all these EVs?

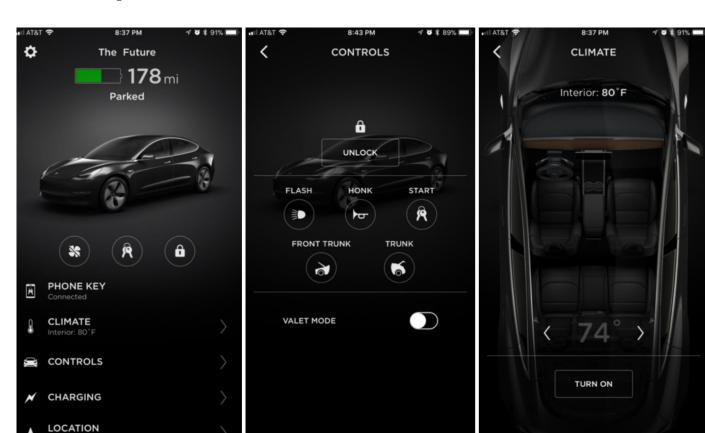


Can you recycle batteries?

How many chargers are there in the province? My region?

#### TESLA CHALLENGES

- Customer account & app activation
- Autopilot Safety, Autopilot, Enhanced Autopilot, FSD
- Ordering parts



# **CUSTOMER PROFILE**

- Well researched most of the time
- Family decision
- Less brand loyalty
- Businesses & business people
- Pressured sales doesn't work



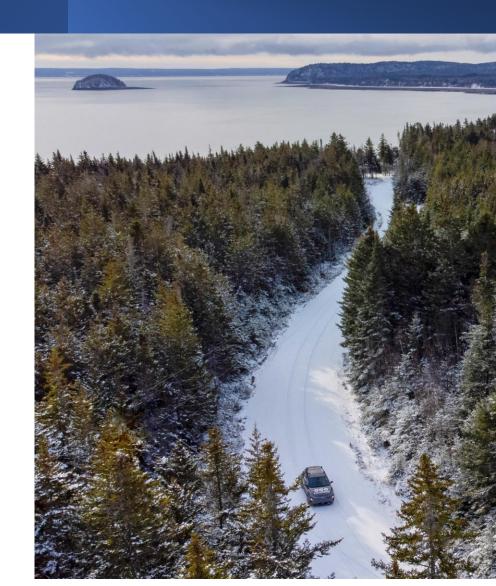
# **CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE**

- Longer customer journey
- Needs discovery more important than ever
- Following up on a longer timeline
- Providing wealth of information & Resources

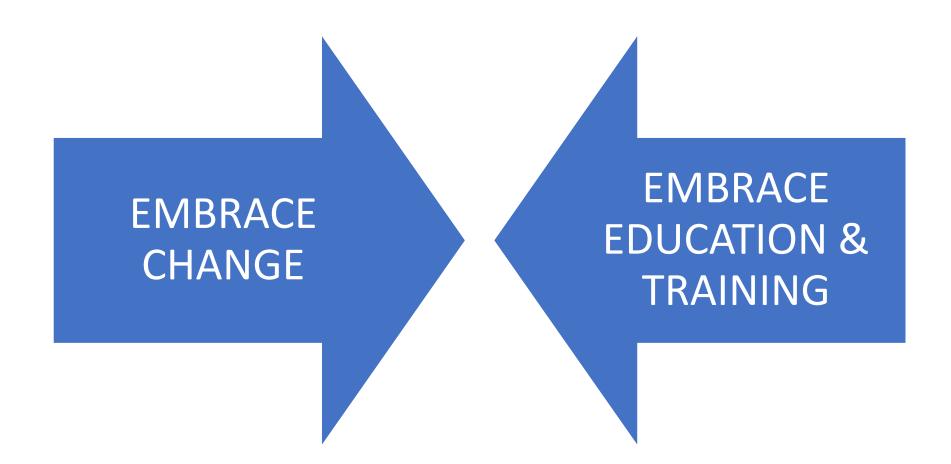


## **CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE**

- 97% test drive
- Setting expectations
- Similarities to luxury segment: customer centric & experience centric approach



#### **PATH FORWARD?**





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