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**Strong coupling charge-density waves in doped transition metal dichalcogenides** JUN-HO LEE, YOUNG-WOO SON, Korea Inst for Advanced Study — We present a theoretical study on a phase transition from quantum spin Hall insulating phase to strong coupling charge density wave (CDW) in adatom-doped single layer transition metal dichalcogenides (TMDs)  $1T' - MTe_2$  ( $M = Mo$  and  $W$ ) using first-principles calculation methods. It is shown that when  $1T'$  phase TMDs are doped by alkali metals or hydrogen atom, their Fermi surface shows quasi-one-dimensional features and phonon dispersion at the corresponding nesting vectors becomes unstable, turning  $1T'$  structure to diamond-shape (DS) chain phase with a substantial energy gap. The resulting CDW phase is compatible with a ground state of  $ReS_2$  and  $ReSe_2$ . To unveil the origin of CDW phase transition, we calculate the electronic non-interacting susceptibility and electron-phonon coupling strength as a function of doping concentration and then find out that origin of phase transition is the strong electron-phonon coupling of the doped TMDs.

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