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2022 LEVEL 2 EVSE REIMBURSEMENT REBATE PROGRAM: RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

The Arkansas Energy Office recently announced the first recipients of the Level 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Reimbursement Rebate Program for the 2022 funding year. Rebate recipients include the Cabot Community Center, Cabot City Hall, Access Control Devices, Inc. (Benton), Innerplan, Inc. (North Little Rock), Nick's Bar-B-Q & Catfish (Carlisle), Delta Development Fund (Little Rock), and the City of North Little Rock. As a result of the installations associated with these rebates, Arkansas has 31 new electric vehicle (EV) charging stations.



Terra Energy Services Business Development Manager Francesco Havas charges his personal vehicle. Terra Energy Services is a division of Access Control Devices Inc. (ACDI). ACDI is one of the first 2022 recipients of the Level 2 EVSE Reimbursement Rebate Program.

When considering taking advantage of the Level 2 EVSE Rebate Program, the decision process regarding exactly where to install the EV charging stations varies from entity to entity—as does the motivation for providing the equipment. For example, the City of Cabot located their charging stations at City Hall and the Community Center. Cabot Mayor Ken Kincade said, “We chose the sites for our charging stations with the safety of travelers in mind. We also plan to look into the possibility of EV police cars in the future.”

Besides the general public, Access Control Devices, Inc. (ACDI) was thinking about current and future employees with their installation. Terra Energy Services (a division of ACDI) Business Development Manager Francesco Havas said, “Offering workplace charging is a great way to attract new talent and demonstrate to your employees that they are valued and their needs are important.”

Arkansas Energy Office Policy Manager Jason Willey said, “There continues to be tremendous interest in the Level 2 program and we anticipate that this is merely the first wave of new charging options in 2022 for Arkansas’s EV community. With more than \$80,431 of the 2022 initial funding of \$215,563 remaining, we look forward to hearing from others who share our interest in EV infrastructure in Arkansas.”

Now in its second year, the Level 2 EVSE Reimbursement Rebate Program provides rebates to government, private, and non-profit organizations for the installation of Level 2 electric vehicle charging stations, which can fully charge electric vehicles in eight hours or less. The Level 2 EVSE Reimbursement Rebate program is funded at the same initial amount for two more years through funds from the Volkswagen Settlement. To read more about the program’s guidance and check the remaining 2022 funding balance, visit the program webpage at www.adeq.state.ar.us/energy/opportunities/evse.



Cabot Mayor Ken Kincade with one of the city’s newly installed EV charging station. The City of Cabot is one of the first 2022 recipients of the Level 2 EVSE Reimbursement Rebate Program.

OSCEOLA’S ENVIROTECH VEHICLES MAKES ELECTRIC TRUCKS & VANS



Arkansas Energy Office Technical Programs Coordinator Eric Faucette (left) was in Osceola earlier this month when some of the first Envirotech Vehicles rolled off the assembly line. Pictured with Faucette is Envirotech’s Chief Financial Officer Christian Rodich.