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Electric Vehicle Charging Stations: Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality Announces Rebate Recipients

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The Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment – Division of Environmental Quality (“DEQ”) announced in a June 2nd news release the “First Rebate Recipients of Level 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment Program.”

The program is administered by DEQ’s Energy Office.

Level 2 stations are those that can charge electric vehicles (“EVs”) in eight hours or less using a 250-volt output.

EVs currently account for approximately two percent of the American vehicle market. However, Arkansas is among a number of states that are attempting to spur the construction of EV charging infrastructure. Such charging infrastructure is being targeted in various states for personal, commercial, fleet and public transit use.

The cost of installing charging infrastructure is a potential barrier to the expansion of EVs into the marketplace.

DEQ’s Level 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment program provided rebates for the installation of Level 2 electric vehicle charging stations. It is open to both public and private applicants across the state.

DEQ recipients in this first rebate allocation include:

- City of Pine Bluff’s Arts and Science Center
- Little Rock Technology Park
- City of Lonoke
- City of Eureka Springs
- City of Siloam Springs
- City of Hot Springs
- Mississippi County Electric Cooperative,
- Promenade Hospitality
- Burgundy Hotel

DEQ states that the Level 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment program is funded under the State environmental Mitigation Trust which was established pursuant to the Volkswagen Settlement.

A copy of the news release can be downloaded [here](#).