

Arkansas Department of Energy & Environment/Today's Power, Inc.: Electric Vehicle Charging Station Installed at Department Headquarters



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The Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment (“E&E”) announced in a November 17th news release the installation of three Level-2 dual port electric vehicle (“EV”) charging stations in the main parking lot at E&E Headquarters.

E&E Headquarters are located in North Little Rock, Arkansas.

Today’s Power, Inc. (“TPI”) is stated to have been awarded the contract to provide and install the chargers as a result of a bidding process.

TPI is a wholly subsidiary of Arkansas Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“AECI”). AECI is a Little Rock-based utility service cooperative owned by 17 electric distribution cooperatives.

E&E states that the Level-2 chargers have the capability to charge two vehicles simultaneously. Further, they are stated to have the ability to provide between 25 and 40 miles of electric range per hour. This is described as appropriate for scenarios in which:

. . . drivers are doing something else, such as working or attending meetings or education sessions.

A federal State Energy Program is stated to be funding the cost of the chargers. As a result, E&E states it will not seek reimbursement for the charges through the Level-2 EVSE rebate program. This is the program funded through the Volkswagen Settlement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

Secretary Keogh is quoted in the news release as stating:

. . . Arkansas’s electric vehicle charging rebate program has been a massive success this year, with over fifty chargers installed and operating across the state, . . . E&E plans to launch the second phase of the program in January 2022 with an additional \$215,000 in funding. These are important steps to make Arkansas EV ready. We encourage others to join us in expanding our transportation infrastructure to welcome those who choose electric vehicles to live, work, and visit in Arkansas!

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