



ELECTRIC VEHICLES INTERNATIONAL
VEHICLES | CONVERSIONS | POWERTRAINS

DOCKET 10-ALT-1
DATE <u>March 7 2011</u>
RECD. <u>March 7 2011</u>

March 7, 2011

James D. Boyd
Vice Chair and Presiding Member
Transportation Committee
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Investment Plan for the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program
2011-2012 – Docket 10-ALT-01

Electric Vehicles International (EVI) is a 20-year pioneer in alternative fuel technologies and leading manufacturer of electric vehicles. We would like to recognize all of the hard work of the Energy Commission staff to develop the 2011-2012 Investment Plan. EVI appreciates the Energy Commission staff's continued work with stakeholders to refine and optimize the Investment Plan for the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program to maximize greenhouse gas emission reductions and reduce California's growing demand for diesel fuel.

EVI shares the goals of AB 32 and offers scalable electric vehicle powertrains that can be integrated into most medium and heavy-duty vehicles. Our electric vehicle powertrains emit zero mobile source emissions and reduce GHG emissions by about 75%. These clean technologies are being driven by California's aggressive policies, such as AB 32, and fueled by important state investments, such as the AB 118 funds.

In 2010, EVI was awarded two grants from the Energy Commission totaling \$6.5 million. We look forward to continuing our partnership with the Energy Commission to leverage private and public funds to demonstrate and deploy hundreds of zero-emission medium and heavy-duty vehicles this year—reducing diesel demand and cleaning the air in communities throughout California.


Electric Vehicles International strongly supports the Energy Commission staffs' recommendation to allocate \$22 million for medium-and heavy-duty vehicles in 2011-2012 Investment Plan.

EVI would like the California Energy Commission to consider the following recommendation:

1. EVI urges the Energy Commission to consider adjusting funding allocations to include deployment incentives for Electric Vehicles.
 - a. EVI is committed to displacing harmful diesel emissions in urban areas, near sensitive receptors through the deployment of our zero emission, class 4-6 vehicles.
 - b. Providing additional funding for deployment of all-electric vehicles will not only help reduce harmful emissions through vehicle deployment but will also assist EVI in creating additional clean-tech manufacturing jobs in California, and will leverage substantial private investment to further the success of the AB 118 program.

EVI supports California's investments in medium and heavy-duty vehicle technologies to displace petroleum fuels, and we look forward to working with Energy Commission staff as we move forward to implement the AB 118 Investment Plan for 2011-2012.

Sincerely,



Ricky Hanna
CEO & President
Electric Vehicles International