

Eastern States Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Regional Meeting

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

8:15am-9:00am

Continental Breakfast (sponsored by Electrify America)

9:00am-9:20am

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Speakers:

- *David Terry, President, National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO)*
- *Nick Burger, Deputy Director, District of Columbia Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE) (invited)*
- *Jim Tymon, Executive Director, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)*
- *Sharon Kershbaum, Director, District Department of Transportation (DDOT) (invited)*

9:20am-10:30am

Setting the Stage: State EV Charging Infrastructure Round-Robin

States in the region will provide a 5-minute overview of EV charging infrastructure buildout in their state, including:

- What does EV adoption look like in your state?
- What programs do you have operational to incentivize development of chargers (NEVI, CFI, EVC RAA, VW funds, state-funded programs, etc.)? Status of these programs (number of awards, number of operational stations, etc.)?
- Top accomplishments over the last year?
- Biggest challenges?
- Anything you're focused on that we don't have a session on later in the meeting?

States slated to present before the break include: Alabama, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, and New York

10:30am-10:45am

Networking Break

10:45am-11:30am

State EV Charging Infrastructure Round-Robin Continued

States slated to present after the break include: North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington, D.C., and Wisconsin

11:30am-12:30pm

Utilizing Data to Strategically Plan for Charging and Improve Reliability and User Experience

In today's world, more data is available than ever before. States can leverage existing datasets to strategically plan for EV charging where it's most needed – and to better understand where charging deserts exist. They can also leverage data to improve charger reliability and user experience and ensure compliance with federal uptime requirements. During this session, speakers will share how their organization is utilizing data and collaborating with states to advance EV charging planning, operation, and reporting.

Moderator: Paula Hemmer, NEVI Program Manager, North Carolina Department of Transportation

Speakers:

- *Sydney Martinez Bingham, Government Relations Manager, Francis Energy*
- *Nikki Rudnick, Policy Manager, Uber*
- *Ann Xu, Co-Founder and CEO, ElectroTempo*

12:30pm-1:15pm

Lunch (sponsored by Kittelson & Associates)

1:15pm-2:00p.m.

Building a Skilled Workforce to Support the Safe Rollout of EVs and EV Charging Infrastructure

State Energy Offices and State Departments of Transportation play a critical role in planning for widespread EV adoption. Part of these planning efforts include building a skilled workforce that can install EV charging infrastructure and provide timely maintenance and repairs to both charging equipment and vehicles. Training is also needed to ensure emergency responders are prepared to safely and effectively respond to incidents involving EVs. This session will highlight

how key industry partners are working with states to support workforce development programs to prepare the workforce for widespread EV adoption.

- *Moderator: Breanne Preisen, Clean Transportation Program Manager/DE Clean Cities Director, Delaware Division of Climate, Coastal and Energy*

Speakers:

- *Anthony Willingham, State Government Affairs & Public Policy Manager, Electrify America*
- *Fran Wahl, Senior Charging Policy Manager, Public Policy and Business Development, Tesla*
- *Chris Womock, Co-Founder, AFV Educate and Captain, Indianapolis Fire*

2:00pm-3:00pm

Community Charging: How States are Supporting Level 2 Charging in Communities, Multi-Family Housing, and Workplaces

In recent years, historic levels of investment have been made in DCFC along corridors to enable long-distance travel for EV drivers; however, there are still great opportunities for states to support Level 2 charging, which can often be deployed more quickly and at a lower cost than DCFC. During this session, states and industry experts will discuss progress and lessons learned regarding Level 2 charging at multi-family housing units, workplaces, and other priority community locations. Panelists will also share best practices with hardware selection, permitting, siting, leveraging the public right-of-way, and coordinating with local governments.

Moderator: Al Carr, Branch Chief, Clean Transportation & Infrastructure, District of Columbia Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE)

Speakers:

- *Sara Canabarro, Administrator, Clean Transportation, Rhode Island Department of Energy Resources*
- *Daniel Loring, Senior Project Manager, Maine Department of Transportation*
- *Josh Cohen, Head of Policy, SWTCH*

3:00pm-3:15pm

Networking Break

3:15pm-4:15pm

Commercial Fleet Charging: How States Can Plan for and Support Charging for Ride-Hailing Fleets; Electric Trucks, Delivery Vans, and Buses; and other Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles

States across the country are making substantial progress in supporting charging infrastructure for commercial fleets, including electric school buses, transit buses, delivery vans, freight trucks, and ride-hailing fleets. In this session, we'll hear from a commercial fleet charging developer on the state of the industry and technology. Then states will share how they are coordinating with utilities, major fleets, EV charging providers, and other stakeholders to support charging infrastructure for these fleets, including fleet technical advisory services, vehicle and charging equipment incentives, and other technical assistance.

Moderator: Mark Finlay, Senior Energy Analyst, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC)

Speakers:

- *Suzanne Merkelson, Director of Public Policy, Voltera*
- *Cathleen Lewis, Clean Transportation Programs Manager, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU)*
- *Elizabeth Irvin, Deputy Director, Office of Planning and Programming, Illinois Department of Transportation*

4:15pm-5:00pm

States-Only Discussion

5:30pm-7:00pm

Networking Reception (sponsored by Voltera)

Astro Beer Hall (1306 G St NW, Washington, DC 20005) - Space Room

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8:15am-9:00am

Breakfast (sponsored by Electrify America)

9:00am-10:15am

Regional Coordination on EV Charging Planning, Investment, Policy, and Regulatory Development

This session is an opportunity for states to further discuss regional coordination around the topics from Day 1, as well as other priorities for cross-state coordination. The session will include the following breakout groups:

- Regional coordination on medium and heavy-duty charging along key freight corridors (funding, minimum requirements, multi-state partnerships, etc.)

- *Moderator: Amanda Hinh, Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program Manager, Maryland Department of Transportation (invited)*
- How states are planning to utilize remaining NEVI funds once “fully built-out” certification is achieved
 - *Moderator: Justin Harrod, Federal Program Specialist, EV Project Manager, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet*
- Coordinating with State Weights and Measures Divisions on standardized inspection protocols and fees for EV chargers
 - *Moderator: Sabrina Shultz, Climate and Transportation Policy Specialist, Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) Division of Climate, Coastal and Energy*

Participants will self-select into the above breakout groups, which will report back to the full group, followed by a group discussion. Time permitting, AASHTO will then facilitate a conversation about BABA-compliant equipment and their new Domestic Materials Certification form.

10:15am -10:30am

Networking Break

10:30am-11:45am

Roundtable Discussion: State-Utility Coordination on Transportation Electrification Planning

States will engage in an open dialogue with their peers and utility representatives to delve deeper into short, medium, and long-term grid planning to support increased electrification. Topics may include best practices in coordination, data sharing, utility programs to minimize grid impacts, flexible interconnection programs, integrating local energy assets with the grid, etc.

Moderator: Jessie Lund, Senior Program Director, Transportation, National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO)

Speakers:

- *Chris Budzynski, Director, Utility Policy, Exelon*
- *Dawn Neville, Senior Manager, Electric Transportation, PSE&G*
- *Lincoln Wood, Clean Transportation Manager, Southern Company*
- *Sam duPont, Principal Business Program Manager, BGE Transportation Electrification, Baltimore Gas and Electric (BGE)*

11:45am-12:00pm

Closing Remarks

NASEO and AASHTO will summarize key takeaways from the meeting and discuss next steps.

Speakers:

- *Josh Rodriguez, Program Director for Environment, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)*
- *Jessie Lund, Senior Program Director, Transportation, National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO)*

12:00pm

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