



Elizabeth Mahony
Commissioner
Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources
100 Cambridge St. 9th Floor
Boston, MA 02114

Dear Commissioner Mahony,

On behalf of National Grid, I am writing to express our enthusiasm for supporting the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (MA DOER) on their Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application. National Grid shares MA DOER's commitment to support medium- and heavy-duty fleet electrification in Massachusetts and their goal to equitably benefit low-income and disadvantaged communities.

While medium- and heavy-duty diesel vehicles in Massachusetts represent around 5% of total vehicles on the road, they contribute approximately 20% of on-road transportation greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) and almost all on-road diesel particulate matter emissions. In addition, the emissions from these vehicles are inequitably concentrated in urban and low-income and disadvantaged communities, disproportionately affecting the health of residents in those communities.

MA DOER has proposed a set of comprehensive and effective strategies that will address the many electrification challenges faced by fleets and assist the Commonwealth to achieve the substantial emissions and pollution reduction goals outlined in the application. Through enhanced electric vehicle rebates, technical and financial support for charging infrastructure, expanded fleet advisory services, LIDAC-based outreach and engagement efforts, and workforce development programs targeting training for essential electric vehicle maintenance and repair, this project, if awarded, will definitively support an accelerated transition to zero emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles among fleets throughout the Commonwealth.

National Grid is an electric utility serving customers across the Commonwealth. With a strong commitment to vehicle electrification and a robust set of programs aimed to accelerate and ease the process of infrastructure deployment, National Grid will be a critical collaborator with MA DOER to support medium- and heavy-duty fleets.

National Grid will directly support and complement the charging infrastructure component of the MA DOER CPRG program through a host of financial and non-financial programs and actions, including:

- Providing funding for make-ready, equipment and other costs as approved in the EV Phase 3 program or future funding initiatives authorized by the Department of Public Utilities for fleets undertaking infrastructure deployment as part of this CPRG program, when applicable, eligible, and available.
- Assisting participating fleets with enrollment in utility managed charging programs, where applicable.
- Ensuring to the extent possible, a primary point of contact is identified for communication and collaboration with the CPRG projects.

- Participating in a steering committee that will meet regularly with MassCEC, DOER, and other Utilities/JOAs.
- Participating in fleet electrification town halls and other public fleet events.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has proven to be committed to the decarbonization and electrification of Massachusetts and its fleets specifically. National Grid is excited about the possibility of joining MA DOER to implement this important and far-reaching program. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jake Navarro', with a stylized, cursive script.

Jake Navarro
Director, Clean Transportation
National Grid