

Mass Fleet Advisor

Facility Upgrade Challenges

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PROGRAM BACKGROUND

- ▶ Mass Fleet Advisor provides free technical assistance to private medium- and heavy-duty fleets interested in electrification
- ▶ Intended to prepare fleets to take advantage of MOR-EV Trucks funding
- ▶ Eligibility requirements:
 - Have 3 or more fleet vehicles
 - One of which must be MHD
 - Vehicles registered and depot in MA
 - Goal of >50% participating fleets depot in Environmental Justice Communities
 - Private (non-government) fleets

Phase 1: Fleet Report



Virtual Site Assessment

VIRTUAL SITE ASSESSMENT OFFERINGS

➤ Phase 1 Site Assessments

- Assessments completed by project team using Electrical subcontractor review of "virtual site walk"
- Intended to be high level recommendations tailored to fleet size and duty cycle
- Data supplied by individual fleets (photos of electric panels/transformers, parking spots, facility capacity information)

➤ Outputs of Phase 1 Assessments

- Recommendation of the number of chargers needed for full fleet electrification
- High level assessment of existing electrical infrastructure and capacity upgrades needed to support full fleet electrification
- Cost analysis not provided to fleet in Phase 1
 - The project team is tracking cost estimates and will feed into Phase 2

➤ Phase 2 Site Assessments – beginning July 2023

- Detailed on-site and route data-driven assessment
- Managed charging analysis based on fleet owner electric rate and demand charges
 - TCO in Phase 1 included flat electric cost assumption
- Utility-side infrastructure cost evaluation by utility (low, medium, high cost screening)



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EVSE INSTALLATION COST

Fleet Type	Fleet Size	Recommended # of Level 2 Chargers	Recommended # of Level 3 Chargers	Capacity (kW) Needed	Estimated Total Installation Cost	Estimated Installation Cost per Vehicle
Lumber Company	10	4	1	142	\$ 114,650.00	\$ 11,465.00
Heating and Cooling Company	6	1	1	73	\$ 49,450.00	\$ 8,241.67
Boarding School	7	4	0	46	\$ 47,500.00	\$ 6,785.71
Insulation Contractor	9	5	0	115	\$ 59,750.00	\$ 6,638.89
School	8	3	0	69	\$ 38,050.00	\$ 4,756.25
Compost Pickup Company	23	7	1	211	\$ 80,800.00	\$ 3,513.04
Nutrition Service	16	6	0	138	\$ 67,850.00	\$ 4,240.63
Research Organization	44	4	0	326	\$ 170,350.00	\$ 3,871.59
Dry Cleaning Company	21	3	0	115	\$ 47,500.00	\$ 2,261.90
University	92	3	0	521	\$ 242,800.00	\$ 2,639.13



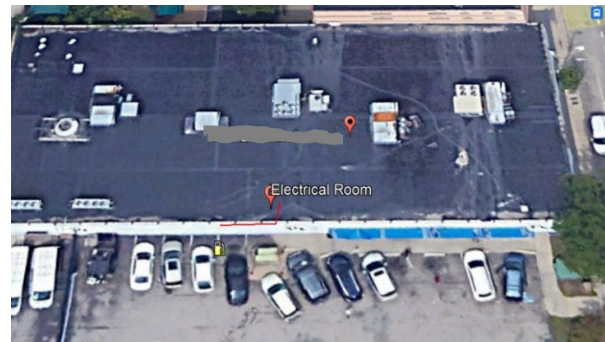
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CASE STUDY 1 – DRY CLEANING COMPANY (SITE 1)

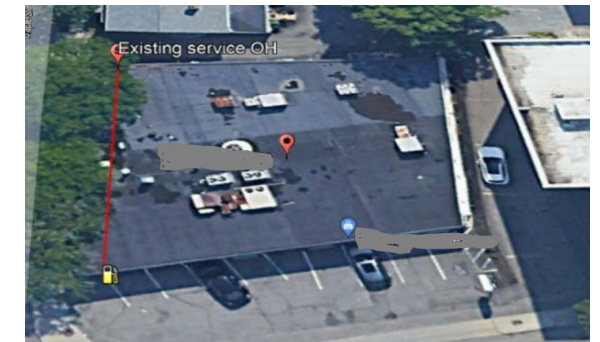
- **Vehicles:** 21
- **Capacity needed:** 115 kW
- **Recommended EVSE:** 6 dual port level 2
- **Upgrades needed:** enough existing electrical capacity but needs to install second electrical panel at each site
- **Estimated total cost of EVSE installation and equipment:** \$89,764
- **Estimated cost per vehicle (installation and equipment):** \$4,274
- **Timing impact:** minimal delays, company electrician could complete upgrades



Site 1



Site 3



Site 2

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CASE STUDY 2 – LUMBER COMPANY

- **Vehicles:** 10
- **Capacity needed:** 115 kW
- **Recommended EVSE:** 4 dual port level 2 and 1 dual port level 3/DCFC
- **Upgrades needed:** 225-amp, 480-volt service with a transformer
- **Estimated total cost of EVSE installation and equipment:** \$173,056
- **Estimated cost per vehicle (installation and equipment):** \$17,305
- **Timing impact:** significant delays, need utility's help to complete upgrades

Charging Equipment Installation Location



Challenges

KEY OBSTACLES

- Significant load requirements for full fleet electrification EVSE
 - Most fleet EVSE require new electrical panels
 - Many fleet EVSE require new utility service line
 - Nearly all DCFC for MDHD fleet EVSE require utility upgrades
- Unclear path to utility side information and analysis
- Some fleets are operating out of older or leased facilities
- High costs of utility and site electrical upgrades
 - Can often come as a surprise to fleets

RISKS OF INACTION

- Significant fleet electrification delays
 - Due to high cost and long EVSE planning and construction timeline
 - Delays can impact business needs
 - Fleets can't afford to have a vehicle out of service while waiting for EVSE installation
 - May deter fleets from pursuing electrification
 - Could cause mistrust of electrification within the commercial market
- MDHV electrification delays result in lower emissions reductions
- Delays in meeting state's clean transportation goals

Recommendations and Next Steps

- Phase 2 analyses will provide more accurate cost estimates and upgrades needed
 - Feedback from fleets will help understand impacts of costs and timing delays
 - Managed charging can defray costs
 - Utility analysis on utility side infrastructure feasibility will be critical input
- Support through the chicken and egg problem -> Create a process with Utilities to help fleets understand their NET costs for EVSE infrastructure
- Full fleet electrification planning to inform fleets about early upgrades that will be needed in the future (i.e. installing extra conduit)
- Integrate important cost savings from managed charging in Muni aggregations, MLPs and demand management programs (wholesale and retail)

Thank you

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