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Press Release

RMLD Receives State Grant to Install Public EV Charging Stations

Reading, MA – The Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) has been awarded a Massachusetts Electric Vehicle Incentive Program (MassEVIP) Public Access Charging (PAC) grant to support the installation of five dual-port level 2 electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in its service territory. Level 2 EV charging stations provide a charging rate of approximately 10 – 25 miles of range per hour of charge depending upon vehicle model. Three of the stations will be located in Reading and two of the stations will be located in Wilmington.

The MassEVIP grant award is just the first of many steps in the process of installing the public charging stations. The RMLD is working with the Towns to finalize placement and design, develop a plan for construction, and refine the associated operating policies.

"The RMLD looks forward to continuing to work with the Towns of Wilmington and Reading toward the goal of installing these public EV charging stations, and would like to thank them for their partnership and support thus far," said Coleen O'Brien, RMLD General Manager. "The RMLD would also like to thank the Mass DEP for offering this innovative program to aid in increasing the availability of public EV charging in Massachusetts."

The MassEVIP PAC Program provides incentive funding to cover a portion of the cost of electric vehicle charging stations that are accessible to the general public. The RMLD will contribute funding and operational support to the installations.

Increasing the adoption of electric vehicles is an important component in RMLD's ongoing electrification efforts, as well as decarbonization efforts across the Commonwealth. Increasing the availability of public charging infrastructure will support these efforts.

Updates will be provided as the installations progress. To learn more about electric vehicles and RMLD's related rebate programs, please visit <https://www.rml.com/electric-vehicle-rebate-programs>.

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About Reading Municipal Light Department: Established in 1894, Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) is a municipal electric utility serving over 70,000 residents in the towns of Reading, North Reading, Wilmington, and Lynnfield Center. RMLD has over 30,000 meter connections within its service territory.