

MSCs are making great progress preparing for electric vehicle supply equipment **BUILDING** (EVSE) installation and the arrival of light-duty (LD) electric vehicles (EVs)/zero- **STRONG** emission vehicles (ZEVs). HQUSACE appreciates the continued support and effort!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks to all the MSCs for their efforts to complete **Strategic Plans** for their Revolving Fund (RF), Construction, Regulatory, and Mississippi River & Tributaries (MR&T) sites.

*MSC Leads: If you have not submitted your Strategic Plan to HQUSACE, please do so ASAP!*

**REMINDER:** HQUSACE has funding available for EVSE implementation, but it must be obligated by the end of the fiscal year (FY)! Districts or sites ready to complete site assessments or EVSE installs should reach out to MSC Points of Contact (POCs) ASAP to coordinate receiving funding from Brian Wilson.

**Welcome, Alyson Parker (SAD),** the new Environmental Compliance and Sustainability Career Assignment Program (ECS-CAP) detailee supporting HQUSACE from July-December 2023!

## UPCOMING EVENT

**What:** General Service Administration (GSA)'s **EVSE Showcase**

**When:** Tuesday, August 29--Wednesday, August 30 from 10 AM-4:30 PM ET

**Where:** Virtual, via Webex

**How:** Register to attend [here](#)

HQ encourages USACE personnel to tune into these free, public sessions aimed to connect agencies, EVSE companies, and experts to accelerate the EV transition.

### Sessions Cover:

- GSA's EVSE contracting options
- ZEV Ready Center
- EVSE cybersecurity
- Agency case studies
- Telematics for EVSE planning
- Charging as a service
- EVSE in leased space

Please email [GSAfleetavteam@gsa.gov](mailto:GSAfleetavteam@gsa.gov) with any questions

## FEMP EV TRAININGS

The Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) offers trainings for fleet and facility managers to develop expertise in fleet electrification. Read on for how to become an EV Champion!

### EV Champion Webinar Trainings: Course Content

A four-part course developed by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) and the FEMP Fleet team. Attendees of all four webinars can earn up to 1.0 Continuing Education Unit (CEU) and an EV Champion Training Certificate from FEMP.

#### Topics Include:

- EV technology and financial considerations
- EVSE power and installation requirements
- Performing EV site assessments
- Advanced site operations

### Optional Training Videos

*Additional videos (no registration required) that accompany the EV Champion series include:*

- EV technology overview
- EV financial considerations
- EVSE infrastructure
- Driving EVs
- Utility partnerships

Visit [Electric Vehicle Training | Department of Energy](#) to enroll and/or watch optional trainings

## PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP SUCCESS STORY

HQUSACE and New Orleans District (MVN) are exploring a potential private partnership with the energy company, Entergy, to finance EVSE installation at RF sites. While RF sites do not receive centralized funds, site managers can leverage third-party financing options through companies like Entergy for EVSE implementation.



### How Does the Partnership Work?

Customers (like New Orleans!) enter into a 1-10 year agreement with Entergy for the installation and maintenance of EVSE. Entergy installs and provides all equipment, and customers pay via monthly bills for the period of the agreement. Customers can also select an initial “Recovery Term” in years, during which they pay a lower monthly bill to offset costs before paying a larger bill for the remainder of the contract.

#### Benefits for MVN

- No in-house labor or additional contracts required to install EVSE
- Stronger relationships with local utility
- USACE pays the costs over 10 years, avoiding significant initial investment and simplifying EVSE budgeting

#### Is Entergy right for your District?

Entergy is eager to establish federal partners! They can provide 1-10 year contracts at RF sites in Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, and Mississippi.

#### What if Entergy isn't available in my District?

If you are interested in third-party financing for EVSE at your site, but are not located within the listed Entergy states, contact Marti Sedgwick to explore options.

### Answering Key Questions from the Field

Keeping with HQUSACE’s goal to provide accurate and transparent information on EV/EVSE deployment, this semi-recurring feature of the monthly Newsletter highlights questions raised by the field. Since the last Newsletter, we heard concerns related to EV supply chains...

**Do MSCs need to replace overseas vehicles with EVs and provide EVSE to meet Executive Order (EO) 14057 goals?** Not at this time. While the EO technically applies to all vehicles, the replacement of domestic vehicles remains the priority as agencies are faced with limited supply of EVs. While other places like Europe sell EVs, agencies are encouraged to purchase American brands, creating additional work to ship vehicles overseas.

*Do you have questions you would like to see answered here?  
Please send them to Brian Wilson (contact information below) for incorporation into future newsletters.*

If you have any questions on EVs, EVSEs, or related subject areas, please reach to one of the names listed below. For questions related to CW sites, contact Mr. Brian Wilson. For questions related to RF sites, contact Ms. Marti Sedgwick.

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