

NRG eVgo Network Expansion Helps Fuel California's Leadership of the Electric Vehicle Movement

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- 120 NRG fast chargers operating across the state is largest deployment in nation. Usage doubled over last three months -

PRINCETON, N.J.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jan. 22, 2015-- NRG eVgo, a subsidiary of NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE:NRG), is continuing its aggressive build out in what is already the nation's largest electric vehicle (EV) fast charging network supporting the Golden State's efforts to allow consumers to fully embrace the freedom and fun of driving EVs through the benefits of a comprehensive EV charging station network.



A NRG eVgo Freedom Station includes fast chargers where EV drivers can charge their electric vehicles in minutes rather than hours. (Photo: Business Wire)

"California leaders, committed EV drivers and industry innovators founded this movement and we want to continue to power it," said Terry O'Day, vice president of business development at NRG eVgo. "There is more EV charging in California than anywhere else, and NRG eVgo is building even more fast charging to power all drivers with the nation's largest network. Doing this makes it easier for more people to experience the fun and excitement of driving an EV. Anyone who is considering an EV will find a variety of vehicles and charging options available, and our network supports them all."

Serving as a model state for EV growth, California has more than 120 NRG eVgo Fast Chargers, including CHAdeMO chargers that support the largest number of EVs and SAE chargers that support some of the newest EVs. These chargers are found at Freedom Stations, stand-alone locations at high-use areas and publicly accessible sites at numerous car dealerships. Combined, these chargers comprise the largest Fast Charger network in any state in the nation, stretching from San Diego through Los Angeles and to San

Francisco and Sacramento.

NRG eVgo has 60 operating Freedom Station® sites, which feature both fast DC and Level 2 chargers. Additionally 52 are under construction, permitted or in permitting status. Level 2 chargers can charge all EVs regardless of manufacturer; and vehicles compatible with a DC fast charger can receive a charge approximately 10 times faster than Level 2, making it possible to get a charge in the time it takes to shop in one of the retail establishments or dine in one of the restaurants located nearby. Some of NRG eVgo stations in California also now feature credit card readers, providing access for EV drivers whether they are part of the network or not.

Drivers are proving the increasing value and need for available fast charging, highlighted by a 135 percent increase in station uses in the last three months of 2014 over the previous three months.

For more information on the growth of the NRG eVgo network in California and to view locations of local NRG eVGo network stations, visit www.nrgevgo.com.

ABOUT NRG eVgo

The NRG eVgoSM network gives electric vehicle (EV) owners new freedom and range confidence via home and workplace charging docks, plus a network of fast charging stations conveniently located at retailers along major transportation corridors within eVgo cities. Service plans offered by eVgo can provide EV owners a home or workplace charger and use of eVgo's Freedom Station® sites and other public charging stations. eVgo is a subsidiary of NRG Energy, Inc., a Fortune 250 company at the forefront of changing how people think about, buy and use energy. Through eVgo, NRG will provide access to hundreds of public charging sites across the United States. To find out more, or to join the eVgo network, visit www.nrgeVgo.com. Connect with eVgo network, visit www.nrgeVgo.com. Connect with eVgo network, visit www.nrgeVgo.com. Connect with eVgo network, and follow us on Twitter @nrgeVgo.

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