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First Federally Funded Electric Vehicle Charging Station Opens in Wisconsin

Madison, WI – Sen. Howard Marklein (R-Spring Green) celebrated the announcement that three electric vehicle (EV) charging stations have opened in Northern Wisconsin. The EV charging stations, located at Kwik Trip locations in Ashland, Chippewa Falls, and Menominee, are the first to be built with National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program funding from the federal government.

These federal funds were able to be captured due to 2023 Wisconsin Act 121 and Act 122, both of which were authored by Sen. Marklein and Rep. Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah).

“I was pleased to see the installation of the first EV charging stations in Wisconsin. It is important for Wisconsin to expand our EV infrastructure to meet the changing needs of Wisconsinites. I am especially excited for planned charging locations in Platteville and Mount Horeb to open soon.”

“I was proud to author legislation that made it possible to capture this federal funding. The bipartisan legislation was developed with the help of more than 40 stakeholder groups offering their input. I am glad to see that private businesses in Wisconsin are taking full advantage of this program and meeting the demands of the marketplace.”

2023 Wisconsin Acts 121 and 122, which passed the Wisconsin State Senate and Assembly nearly unanimously, allow private businesses to construct and sell electricity by the kilowatt hour. This change allowed Wisconsin to become eligible to receive more than \$78 million in federal funds that will be distributed to private-sector businesses to help build Wisconsin’s EV charging infrastructure.

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