

Contact: Ryan McKinnon  
703-772-0123



February 7, 2025

## **Charge Ahead Partnership Statement on the suspension of the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Program**

Charge Ahead Partnership's membership includes thousands of fuel retailers across the country, some of whom were participating in the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) program that has been halted by the Federal Highway Administration.

Below is a statement that can be attributed to Charge Ahead Partnership spokesman Ryan McKinnon:

"In many states, the NEVI program helped jumpstart investment in high-speed EV charging stations, getting high-speed chargers at the gas stations and truck stops where millions of drivers already stop every year. Other states dragged their feet or awarded grants to locations where no one would stop.

The EV charging marketplace faced challenges long before NEVI, with unfair competition from electric utilities and poorly thought-out grant programs that led to unattended and broken chargers in odd locations where drivers rarely stop. And while it is clear that NEVI didn't solve the industry's challenges, the program was a step in the right direction by prioritizing establishments that would have skin in the game, were making a long-term investment in EV charging, and – most importantly – were in the actual places where drivers would use the chargers.

We hope the FHWA takes this opportunity to ensure state NEVI plans are encouraging private investment in EV charging while also being confident that that federal funds are not being wasted."

###

*To learn more about **Charge Ahead Partnership (CAP)** and join our efforts to help expand America's EV charging network please visit [www.chargeaheadpartnership.com](http://www.chargeaheadpartnership.com). In addition to joining CAP you can stay connected with us by following us on social media on Twitter at [@EV\\_ChargeAhead](https://twitter.com/EV_ChargeAhead), Facebook at [@ChargeAheadPartnership](https://facebook.com/ChargeAheadPartnership) and on Instagram at [@EVChargeAhead](https://instagram.com/EVChargeAhead).*