

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WASHINGTON REGIONAL
ELECTRIC VEHICLE COALITION AND TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL GRANT**

WHEREAS, many vehicle manufacturers have announced plans to introduce plug-in and/or all electric vehicles in the Metropolitan Washington Region starting in 2011; and

WHEREAS, plug-in and all electric vehicles can produce significantly reduced emissions of air pollutants, resulting in improved air quality, the potential for reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and promotes energy independence; and

WHEREAS, coordination among local governments, the utilities, car manufacturers and EV equipment suppliers is necessary for developing a charging infrastructure for plug-in and all electric vehicles to maximize the deployment and use of electric vehicles in the Washington region; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC) is to implement COG's National Capital Climate Change Report which includes regional greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets - and deployment of electric vehicles is consistent with that plan; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Washington Region Clean Cities Coalition is part of the Department of Energy Clean Cities Program whose mission is to advance the nation's economic, environmental, and energy security by supporting local actions to reduce petroleum consumption in transportation and to deploy emerging transportation technologies; and

WHEREAS, CEEPC recommends creation of a Regional Electric Vehicle Coalition with participation from the Greater Washington Region Clean Cities Coalition, utilities and other stakeholders to develop a Electric Vehicle Plan for the Metropolitan Washington Region;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:**

1. COG and the Greater Washington Region Clean Cities Coalition will form a Regional Electric Vehicle Coalition comprised of local member jurisdictions, utilities, fleet owners, electric vehicle manufacturers and equipment suppliers, to develop a coordinated and interconnected electric vehicle infrastructure plan for the Metropolitan Washington region.
2. COG member jurisdictions will be encouraged to adopt policies and consider activities such as streamlined permitting that will enable development of infrastructure to support electric vehicle use.
3. COG and the Greater Washington Region Clean Cities Coalition shall jointly submit a grant proposal to the U.S. Department of Energy, not to exceed a budget of \$300,000, for the development of a Regional Electric Vehicle Plan for the Washington Region. COG, with CEEPC's recommendation, will send a letter of support for the joint grant application.