



**Board Meeting
Conference Call
October 12, 2017**

Present:

Olivia Achuko, DOEE
Fatemeh Allahdoust, VDOT
Gary Allen, Center for Chesapeake Communities
Tina Casey, DDOT
Alexandra Catena, DOEE
Eileen Filler- Corn, Virginia House of Delegates
Beverly Fourier, Citizen Representative
Tracye Funn, Washington Gas
Aaron Moore, Greater Baltimore Committee
Brian O'Malley, CMTA
Janet Phoenix, Breathe DC
Sevgi Rudd, VDEQ
Najib Salehi, Loudoun County
Joshua Shodeinde, MDE
Kari Snyder, MDOT
Jill Sorensen, BEVI
Glenna Tinney, Citizen Representative
Colleen Turner, MDOT
Russ Ulrich, BMC
Hon. Kristen Umstadt, Loudoun County Board of Supervisors

Guests:

Justin Mabrey, MDE

Staff:

Jen Desimone, Clean Air Partners/MWCOG

Call to Order: Brian O'Malley called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm. The minutes were approved.

Background/Purpose for the Call: Brian O'Malley

Board members, Gary Allen and John Quinn, invited Clean Air Partners to provide comment to the Maryland Public Service Commission (PSC). They requested that Clean Air Partners support Maryland's electric vehicle (EV) goals and urge the PSC to allow utilities to play a role by providing the infrastructure needed to meet the goals.

Maryland Electric Vehicle Initiative: Colleen Turner, MDOT and Justin Mabrey, MDE

MDOT and MDE provided an overview of Maryland's EV goals. Maryland is a zero-emission vehicle state and has adopted the California program. The state has a goal to increase registered EVs and EV infrastructure. The Governor, MDOT, and MDE are working together to meet the goal and currently have 10,000 registered EVs in

the state. The state is also working with manufacturers to implement incentive programs to spur the adoption of EVs. MDOT, MDE, and MEA are discussing a coordinated position on utility involvement.

Jill Sorensen stated that BEVI feels that utilities have a critical role, but the nature of that role is currently being discussed with the Board.

Members had an active discussion on whether or not Clean Air Partners should comment to the PSC. Comments included the following.

- Clean Air Partners should support Maryland's EV goal.
- A number of members had a concern over the potential rate increase, the burden on rate payers, and that the burden may not be equitable.
- Incentives are needed to help spur EV adoption.
- Concern over the fuel source for the electricity (is electricity provided by coal fired plant).

Gary Allen made a motion to develop a statement to support Maryland's EV goals, support utility participation, and allow them to provide incentives to achieve the goal of charging station installations. Members had concern supporting utility incentives.

After discussion, the motion was amended to support Maryland's EV goals and provide comments to the PSC allowing Maryland utilities to participate in the EV marketplace.

The amended motion was approved. MDOT, MDE, and Washington Gas abstained from the vote.

Next Steps: Brian O'Malley

Jen Desimone will work with Brian to draft a letter for the Board's review. The letter will be submitted to the PSC by November 7th.

Adjournment of Meeting: 2:00 pm