

## DC Fast Charging Justification for Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) provides funding and technical assistance for eligible diesel emission reduction projects under the Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust (EMT). Our grant program may provide funding for engine repowers or replacement for eligible Class 4-8 local freight trucks; Class 4-8 school, shuttle, or transit buses; freight switchers; ferries and tugs; and certain non-road equipment. The funding comes from Vermont's allocation of the Volkswagen EMT, which has certain requirements regarding eligible projects and cost share. For example, funding may be available for up to 75% of the cost of a new all-electric vehicle, including charging infrastructure associated with the new all-electric vehicle.

Specifically, projects proposing Direct Current Fast Charging (DCFC) electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE) be utilized in lieu of alternate current (AC) Level 2 EVSE, must provide sufficient justification as to why this level of charging equipment is necessary for this project. The justification must clearly demonstrate that:

- the project would not be feasible using Level 2 charging; and/or
- the benefits of utilizing DCFC far outweigh the drawbacks; and
- the applicant has a thorough understanding of demand charges and has communicated with the applicable electric utility to understand accessibility to nearby utility power, capacity available, expected necessary infrastructure upgrades, billing implications, utility rates, etc.

For any projects involving DCFC, please complete this form and return the electronic copy to:

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