



Transportation Electrification Briefing March 8, 2023

# Today's Update

- Transportation Electrification
  Strategic Plan (TESIP) background
- 2021 & 2022 Transportation Electrification activities and goals
- 2023 look ahead





# Creating Our Energy Future

An equity-focused approach to transportation electrification





### **Decarbonization** through electrification



# Transportation Electrification (TE) and environmental justice

Transportation electrification offers an opportunity to address environmental, social, and economic inequities

- + Focus on communities along transportation routes who are most negatively impacted
- + Adverse health effects: asthma, heart disease, cancer, low birth weights
- + Results from our investments: a more equitable future where everyone can thrive



Map shows PM 2.5 concentrations (air quality)

### Local TE demand and adoption is growing fast

**EVs IN SEATTLE CITY LIGHT'S SERVICE TERRITORY** 





\*Number reflects January through September only.

Data provided by Electric Power Research Institute. Includes plug-in hybrids and battery-electric vehicles.

## Creating our energy future

**GRID MODERNIZATION** 



# TE expansion requires a modernized grid

- + Expanding TE increases electricity demand
- Preparing for existing grid to scale for future load growth
- Investing in 'smart grid': flexible, reliable, and resilient
- Increasing electrification provides for utility revenue and affordable rates



### One City and statewide policy alignment



# WA OBJECTIVE: 2050 NET ZERO EMISSIONS

# Transportation Electrification

#### **TESIP** in action





### **TESIP** development background

- 2015 + City Light begins analysis of TE market and potential utility impacts
- 2017 + Drive Clean Seattle Initiative aligns us as One City towards TE
- 2019
- + WA State Legislature passes HB 1512, enabling transportation electrification
- + City Light begins outreach and engagement to inform Transportation Electrification Strategic Plan



+ City Council approves the Transportation Electrification Strategic Plan (TESIP)

# **TESIP** activity areas



# Community feedback on their TE priorities



+ Public Transit. Minimize air pollution in highly impacted communities.



+ **Commercial, Government and Nonprofit Fleets.** Reduce tailpipe emissions and noise impacting local air quality and public health along key transportation routes.



+ **Personal Mobility.** Expand EV charging access for personal vehicles: emphasis on universal access; expanding access in environmental justice communities.



+ **Outreach and Awareness.** Raise awareness about the customer, the grid, and the community benefits of TE; ensure that environmental justice community priorities are heard and inform programs.

# TESIP IN 2021

- Creating teams and partnerships
- Focusing on community





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### Community priorities through partnerships and teams

- + Public transit project partnerships with King County Metro & WSDOT
- + Partnership with Northwest Seaport Alliance & the Port of Seattle to decarbonize port operations

+ Supporting private sector – especially major customers and high-emission commercial routes – through targeted incentives and project support



# Deeper engagement with community

- + Partnership with trusted messengers to increase reach of EV information and benefits of TE
- +Contract with CBOs serving environmental justice communities
- + Trained and onboarded initial community partners
- + Made early community infrastructure investments including new EV fast chargers



# TESIP impact milestones in 2021

- +Convened multiple partners to prioritize planning and together, developed innovative solutions
- + Established partnership with UPS and Kenworth to test new electric freight charging
- + Began developing King County's first electric bus charging test base with KCM



# **TESIP IN 2022**

- Implementing programs
- Launching pilots
- Focusing on community





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### Supporting Seattle's first battery electric bus fleet

- + Building and powering electric bus charging hubs with King County Metro; first South Base location opened spring 2022
- New base located in a neighborhood disproportionately affected by vehicle exhaust
- +Innovative technology capable of charging 9 buses at once



### Reducing emissions through fleet electrification

#### Multiple initiatives launched for fleets and medium- and heavyduty vehicles

- + Focus on high-emission freight routes that impact EJC air quality
- + Fleet electrification program advises and incentivizes public/private fleets to transition
- + Building charging depot + rebates to speed MD/HD and drayage transition; focus on independent owner-operators



Photo source: Bahnfrend, Wikimedia Commons

# Expanding EV personal mobility access

#### Multi-Family Housing Program

- + Expanding at-home and near-home charging for multi-unit dwelling residents
- + Equity focus: 52% of SCL customers are renters

#### **Curbside Level 2 Pilot**

- + Building 30 curbside EV charging stations
- Increasing accessibility for residents who don't have offstreet charging

#### **Public Charging**

- + Filling in gaps that the private market is leaving behind
- + 37,000+ unique charging sessions at City Light chargers alone over the past four years







# Supporting future electrification

#### **Managed EV Charging**

+ Exploring technology and behavioral programs like TOU rates and active managed charging that can result in new demand from EVs best serving our customer and the grid



Source: <u>PNNL</u>

#### **Strategic Planning Partners**

- + Collaborative research with external utility, gov, customer, academic partners
- + Looking down the road, how will infrastructure, policy, systems be managed in the future?



Source: Wikimedia Commons.

#### **Food Truck Electrification**

- + Testing new electric pedestal technology at Denny Park
- + Demonstration project provides future outreach opportunities to operators and small businesses



# Building on community relationships

- + Strengthening community presence and education
- +Learning from youth about clean energy workforce development needs
- + Supporting public charging expansion through contract with a WMBE-owned business, ChargerHelp!
- +Inviting community partners to test drive electric vehicles for hands-on experience



Environmental Coalition of South Seattle (ECOSS) and Transportation Electrification Portfolio Manager Angela Song meet with Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Casey Sixkiller at the GTSE conference.

# TESIP impact milestones in 2022

- + Cross-city engagement on Transportation electrification Infrastructure Master Plan
- + Built high-reach outreach/ education partnerships in private sector, CBOs
- + Focused on customer needs through personal mobility research, EJC focus groups, interviews
- + Scaled up our infrastructure investments + customer incentives and support for growing TE adoption



# TESIP IN 2023

- Prioritizing One Seattle climate initiative
- Implementing Clean Fuels Program
- Focusing on community





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# Recap and closing

#### Transportation Electrification Strategic Plan





### **TESIP** benefits focus areas

#### Decarbonization

# Multi-modal transportation

#### Equitable investments and outcomes

Public and private partnerships



Source: MPCA Photos, Flickr



Source: Evelo



Source: ChargerHelp!





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# THANK YOU





# Mission, Vision & Values

#### **Mission**

Seattle City Light provides our customers with affordable, reliable and environmentally responsible energy services.

#### Vision

Create a shared energy future by partnering with our customers to meet their energy needs in whatever way they choose.

#### Values



**Customers First** 



**Environmental Stewardship** 



**Equitable Community Connections** 



**Operational and Financial Excellence** 



Safe and Engaged Employees



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#### US Nationwide New EV Market Share in 2021

Top 5 counties in CA and Top 15 counties outside CA	
Santa Clara, CA	25%
Marin, CA	25%
San Francisco, CA	21.4%
Alameda, CA	21.1%
San Mateo, CA	19.3%
Boulder, CO	14.6%
King, WA	11.9%
Falls Church City, VA	11.4%
Charlottesville City, VA	11.3%
Clark, ID	10.7%
San Juan, WA	10.4%
Washington DC	10.4%
Summit, UT	10%
Arlington, VA	10%
Benton, OR	9.9%
Orange, NC	9.9%
Jefferson, WA	9.9%
Multnomah, OR	9.6%
Skamania, WA	9.3%
Skagway, AK	9.1%

Top 5 counties in CA and



Nationwide avg new EV market share: 4.3%

\*CO will become a ZEV state in 2022. WA and MN will become ZEV states in 2024. NM, NV, and VA have announced that they intend to become ZEV states in the future.