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Two EV Charging Stations Operational at the Cape May Ferry Terminal New Jersey's EV Grant Program, "It Pays to Plug In", Funds Project

CAPE MAY, NJ – Today, Delaware River and Bay Authority (DRBA) officials announced that two (2) new Level 2 dual-port Electric Vehicle Charging Stations are now operational at the Cape May Ferry Terminal. The charging stations will be publicly available during the Cape May – Lewes Ferry's business hours. The charging stations are in the public parking lot near the terminal building (adjacent to the handicapped parking area) and the Cape May terminal green.

"We're pleased to be able to complement our existing charging stations at the Lewes Ferry Terminal with two at our Cape May location," said Thomas J. Cook, Executive Director of the Delaware River and Bay Authority. "With the number of interstate travelers using the Cape May – Lewes Ferry and our close proximity to neighboring resort communities, our ferry terminals are prime locations to host these charging stations. It's a great service for our customers and the community!"

Cook added that the Authority supports the sensible adoption of green energy technology, and this new infrastructure supports greater use of electric vehicles, which do not release air pollution or carbon dioxide.

Deerfield Electric Construction, Inc. of Millville, N.J. installed both the charging stations and DRBA maintenance placed terminal signage directing electric vehicle owners to the EV charging locations. These stations are available on a first-come, first-served basis and the customer's credit card will be charged per kw/hr used. Rate is based on local market conditions.

In October 2020, the DRBA obtained a \$12,000 grant from the State of New Jersey's Electric Vehicle Charging Grant Program, "It Pays to Plug In," to help fund the purchase, installation, and maintenance of two (2) Level 2 dual-port Power EV Chargers to be placed at the Cape May Ferry Terminal. New Jersey's "It Pay\$ to Plug In" is designed to expand New Jersey's growing network of electric vehicle infrastructure, allowing residents, businesses, and government agencies to purchase and drive electric vehicles. EVs dramatically reduce vehicle emissions and improve air quality for everyone.

In early 2015, the DRBA installed two (2) Level 2 dual-port EV Charging Stations at the Lewes Ferry Terminal with the assistance of "Charging Up Delaware", a collaborative program between the University of Delaware and Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control. (DNREC).

About the Cape May-Lewes Ferry

Owned and operated by the Delaware River and Bay Authority, the Cape May – Lewes Ferry is open year-round and has carried more than 43 million passengers since its inception on July 1, 1964. As an integral transportation system connecting the communities and economies on both sides of the Delaware Bay, the Ferry service is a significant catalyst for economic growth and regional tourism activity in New Jersey and Delaware. Its operations sustain over 4,000 jobs while generating tens of millions of dollars in local taxes and hundreds of millions in regional economic activity. For schedules and rates, please visit <u>www.CMLF.com</u> or call 800-643-3779.

Photo Caption: Terry Anstead, Customer Service Manager at the Ferry, charges his 2019 Honda Clarity Plug-In Hybrid at one of the new EV charging stations at the Cape May Ferry Terminal.