## LETTER OF INTENT

## ON COOPERATION ON ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLES

## BETWEEN

THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

AND

THE MINISTER OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT AND THE FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE OF THE GOUVERNEMENT DU QUÉBEC

The Environmental Protection Agency of the State of California and Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and the Fight Against Climate Change of the Gouvernement du Québec (hereinafter referred to as "the Two Parties"),

Acknowledging the challenges and risks in their jurisdictions related to climate change, air pollution, and oil dependence, and the important role that electric drive vehicles and other sustainable mobility choices will play in meeting these challenges and reducing the risks;

**Recognizing** the environmental, social and economic opportunities for citizens, businesses, and governments, in the transition to transportation and mobility choices that produce zero tailpipe emissions;

**Noting** ongoing activities in each jurisdiction to promote electric drive vehicles including financial incentives for consumers, infrastructure planning, and other government policies including a zero emission vehicle (ZEV) regulation; and

Celebrating a close collaboration between California and Québec, including the linking of their greenhouse gas cap-and-trade programs and ongoing coordination on policy and implementation of those programs by the signature, on September 25 and 27 2013, of the Agreement between the California Air Resources Board and the *Gouvernement du Québec* concerning the harmonization and integration of cap-and-trade programs for reducing greenhouse gas emissions;

**Therefore**, the Two Parties intend to cooperate in the coming two years to accelerate the deployment of electric drive vehicles. The Two Parties intend to establish a working group of staff members who will exchange information and consult on best practices.

This Letter of Intent will become effective on the date of signature and is done in both the English and French languages, both texts being equally authentic.

Signed 10 December 2014, Lima, Peru.

Matthew Rodriquez

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David Heurtel

Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and the Fight against Climate Change

Gouvernement du Québec