

# Item 3f: The Regents of the University of California, on behalf of the Davis Campus

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#### **EV** Charger Reliability

Nov 24, 2021

#### **Forbes**

Unreliable Chargers Could Kill The EV Industry Aug 16, 2022

The New York Times

A Frustrating Hassle Holding Electric Cars Back: Broken Chargers



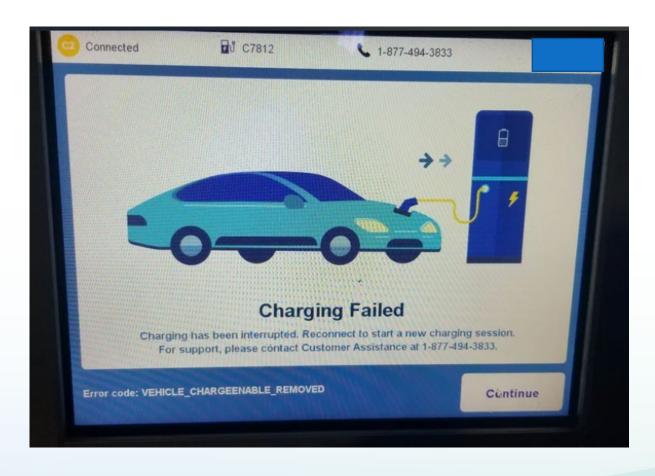
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J.D. Power: Electric Car Charging Getting Worse



# EV Charger Reliability What to Measure?



"Uptime"

#### Failed charges

- Payment systems
- Vehicle-charger interoperability

Reliability should include uptime and failed charging sessions



### **EV** Charger Reliability What the CEC Has Done So Far

- Reliability requirements for grant funding opportunities since 2021
  - Performance standards
  - Recordkeeping
  - Reporting
  - Maintenance
- Funded standards test capacity
  - ViGIL
  - VOLTS





### EV Charger Reliability What Are Others Doing?



- Federal National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Program
- Charge-X Consortium
- SAE Working Group



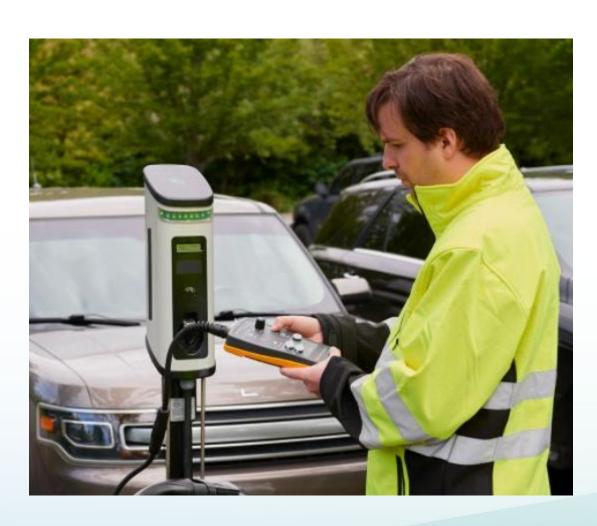
## EV Charger Reliability What the CEC Is Doing Next

- Regulations under Assembly Bill 2061 (Ting, 2022)
- Conformance requirements to increase interoperability
- Field testing





## Overview UC Davis Agreement



- Develop open-source EV charger test protocol
- Test 3,600 EV chargers over three years



### **Benefit to Californians UC Davis Agreement**

#### Ground truth anecdotal reporting

Improve EV charger reliability:

- Empirical understanding of reliability
- Informing investment decisions
- Developing standard testing protocols





#### **Staff Recommendation**



#### Staff recommendations:

- Approve agreement with UC Davis for \$953,168
- Adopt staff's determination that this action is CEQA-exempt.