Washington State joins international alliance to shift transportation away from fossil fuels

At COP 27, Transport Decarbonisation Alliance welcomes Governor Inslee to celebrate Washington State as its newest member.

SHARM-EL-SHEIKH -- – At COP 27 in Egypt today the Transportation Decarbonisation Alliance welcomed Washington State Governor Inslee as Washington state became the newest member of this groundbreaking international organization, dedicated to accelerating the transition of the world to zero-emissions transportation before 2050.

"Manufacturers and consumers are ready and eager to make the switch to cleaner cars and trucks, and I'm so proud that Washington state can be part of the growing international movement to make this happen. In Washington state, transportation is our largest source of emissions. Helping more industries, businesses and people transition to zero-emission vehicles is crucial. We're already powering towards a 2035 timeline for passenger vehicles and this alliance with other subnational and national leaders will only strengthen our ability to expand our efforts." Jay Inslee, Governor of Washington State, USA.

"We are pleased Washington state – a fellow member of the Pacific Coast Collaborative—has joined TDA. Washington and California share many common climate goals and policies. Working together within the Transport Decarbonisation Alliance will help us both learn from other members and jurisdictions around the globe, and share successful transportation and climate policies and projects with them." Liane Randolph, TDA President and Chair of the California Air Resources Board

At the same event, TDA unveiled its <u>Call to Support Active Mobility Capacity Building</u> to focus the international community on the urgent need to provide \$100 million for 10,000 mobility professionals globally.

About Washington State:

Governor Inslee has successfully passed several ambitious policies in recent years including the nation's most ambitious 100% clean electricity policy and a nation-leading clean buildings policy. He's made Washington a leading clean tech hub thanks in part to the launch of a state Clean Energy Fund and the Clean Energy Institute at University of Washington. But transportation is the number-one contributor of carbon emissions in Washington state and state leaders are taking steps to transition the state quickly to a zero-emission future.

EV registration in Washington state has increased nearly fivefold in five years. This July, 8% of new vehicles registered in Washington state were battery-powered, but leaders are preparing plans to help more businesses and communities make the switch. Inslee issued an executive order in 2021 requiring state agencies to transition to an all-electric fleet by 2035. Earlier this year, Washington legislators approved a 2030 goal for zero-emission cars and light-duly vehicles, but should the state miss that goal, it will be on track for 2035 thanks to linkage with California's requirement that new cars sold have zero tailpipe emissions starting with 2035 models. State leaders will use funding in the state's newly-passed Move Ahead Washington transportation plan and the federal Inflation Reduction Act for charging infrastructure and incentives that will allow for rural distribution, chargers serving multifamily housing, community charging locations, charging to serve low-income residents, and charging along residential streets.

About the Transport Decarbonisation Alliance:

Launched in 2018, the TDA was one of 12 commitments made the One Planet Summit hosted by President Emmanuel Macron in Paris, France in December 2017. The TDA's core contribution to this needed transformation is to foster cooperation among countries, cities, regions and companies toward carbon-free transport and accelerate the worldwide transformation of the transport sector towards a net-zero emission mobility system before 2050.

Current members of the TDA include <u>Alstom</u>, <u>Brisa</u>, <u>British Columbia</u>, <u>California</u> (which <u>assumed</u> the presidency of the TDA last year at COP 26 in Glasgow), <u>Cape Verde</u>, <u>CEiiA</u>, <u>Costa Rica</u>, <u>EDP</u>, <u>France</u>, <u>Gaia</u>, <u>Itaipu</u>, <u>Lisbon</u>, <u>Lille Metropole</u>, <u>Luxembourg</u>, <u>Maputo</u>, <u>Matosinhos</u>, <u>Michelin</u>, <u>Mobycon</u>, <u>Porto</u>, <u>Portugal</u>, <u>Quelimane</u>, <u>Rotterdam</u>, <u>Scotland</u>, <u>The Netherlands</u>, <u>TEVVA</u> and <u>Uruguay</u>. You can learn more about TDA here.