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New High-Power EV Fast Charger in Stewartville

ORONOCO, MN, August 22, 2022 — People's Energy Cooperative and Dairyland Power Cooperative are proud to unveil the newest electric vehicle (EV) fast charger along the I90 corridor in Stewartville, Minnesota. A brief dedication/press event will be held on Wednesday, August 24, at 10:00 a.m.

The Level 3, 180 kW ABB Fast Charger is located at the Kwik Trip in Schumann Business Park on the north side of Stewartville. Kwik Trip, a People's Energy Cooperative member, is hosting the new EV fast charger. Dairyland Power Cooperative owns the charger and partnered with ZEF Energy as the vendor for the ABB fast charger. People's Energy Cooperative is the power provider and the EV fast charger operator.

"This partnership of regional companies is working together to ensure Minnesota and the upper Midwest isn't left behind in the transition to electric vehicles," says People's Energy Cooperative President and CEO Mike Henke. "People's Energy Cooperative continues to be committed to providing innovative energy solutions at fair and reasonable prices."

The Level 3 fast charger is three times faster than a typical fast charger, giving EV drivers an efficient, convenient "refueling" experience. The location is ideal not only for travelers crossing the state, but also for local drivers looking for a quick top-off. At the end of 2021, MNDOT reported 475 fully electric vehicles registered in Olmsted, Fillmore, and Mower counties, nearly double the number from only a year before. This fast charger will prove to be an essential and safe resource for drivers throughout southeastern Minnesota.

About People's Energy Cooperative

People's Energy Cooperative is a member-owned electric cooperative celebrating 85 years of delivering retail electric power to its 19,000 consumer-members in Olmsted, Dodge, Fillmore, Mower, Wabasha, and Winona Counties. People's Energy Cooperative is a Touchstone Energy® cooperative and a member-owner in the Dairyland Power system of electric cooperatives that generates and transmits reliable electric power in 62 counties of four states (Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois). People's is an equal opportunity provider and employer.