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PG&E Joins with EVI to Unveil Utility Industry's First Electric Hybrid Bucket Trucks

Extended-range electric utility trucks capable of providing power to homes and businesses during outages

STOCKTON, Calif.—Electric Vehicles International (EVI), joined by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), unveiled the utility industry's first electric hybrid drivetrain Class 5 trucks today at an event at the manufacturer's facility in Stockton.

The Range Extended Electric Vehicle (REEV) utility trucks, developed by EVI in partnership with PG&E and the California Energy Commission (CEC), were designed, built and tested in the heart of California at EVI's manufacturing plant in Stockton. The REEV features an all-electric range of 45 miles and fuel savings of up to 30% when the units are operating in hybrid mode. PG&E accepted delivery of the first two REEV units this summer, and purchased two additional units after a successful initial demonstration of the vehicles.

EVI, formerly headquartered in Toluca, Mexico, moved their operations to Stockton in 2009 due in part to California's leading environmental policies designed to help deploy alternative-fuel vehicles (AB 118) and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (AB 32) throughout the state. Beyond statewide incentives such as AB 118 funding through the CEC and the Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP) offered by the California Air Resources Board, EVI has partnered with the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District to reduce the costs of clean vehicles even further based on the district's pledge to match other government incentives.

"Our decision to relocate to Stockton was the best choice we could have made and we are proud to bring new jobs to the San Joaquin Valley and to help reduce air pollution in this highly affected region," said Ricky Hanna, president and CEO of EVI. "In addition, being able to work more closely with innovative, forward looking companies like PG&E on developing new 'green fleet' technologies will help us to expand our capabilities and presence to create even more new local jobs."

PG&E plans to eventually replace all 942 of its conventional fuel Class 5 vehicles, including bucket trucks, flat beds, and other service trucks, with plug-in electric hybrid models, which would save the utility nearly \$3.5 million in fuel costs and reduce GHG emissions by over 9,000 metric tons annually. In addition to the fuel savings and environmental benefits that PG&E anticipates as it deploys these trucks in increasing numbers, the trucks also offer up to 75kw of exportable power that could be used to provide power to the grid during planned or unplanned outages, and the utility is working closely with EVI to move that number even higher.

"These cutting-edge trucks not only will help us reduce our fuel costs as well as our carbon footprint, but in the event of an outage, we would be able use their exportable power capacity to supply electricity to homes and businesses," said Dave Meisel, PG&E Senior Director of Transportation Services. "Imagine having a fleet of these to deploy in response to a natural disaster or unplanned outage. For us, as a utility, that is a game-changer, and we are proud to partner with EVI and the CEC to develop and integrate these vehicles into our green fleet."

EVI is a leading manufacturer of alternative energy vehicles specializing in battery electric vehicles (BEV) and range extended electric vehicles (REEV) for multiple applications covering a diverse range of transportation options. For more information, visit http://www.evi-usa.com/.

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