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## Revolutionizing Clean Energy and Transportation: First Electric Vehicle Chargers in the Nisga'a Nation



**Nisga'a Nation, December 4, 2023**– In a significant leap toward sustainable mobility, Nisga'a Lisims Government proudly announces the launch of its highly anticipated Level 2 Charge Stations in all four communities of the Nisga'a Nation. This cutting-edge charging infrastructure marks a pivotal moment in the evolution of clean transportation, offering a transformative solution to address the growing demand for efficient and eco-friendly mobility.

The new stations are part of Charge North, a collaboration joining communities and governments around Northern BC to increase access to electric vehicle charging stations. In many rural communities, transportation makes up the largest amount of community-based greenhouse gas emissions. Transitioning to electric vehicles would significantly reduce these emissions.

### Key Features of the New Charge Station:

- Locations throughout the Nation:** These first Electric Vehicle charging stations are located at the:
  - Gingolx Memorial Recreation Centre – 801 Front Street
  - Laxgalts'ap Village Government Office – 416 North Road
  - Gitwinksihlkw Welcome House Café – 3003 Ts'oohl Ts'ap Ave
  - Gitlaxt'aamiks Interpretive Centre – 5128 Gitzyon Ave
  - Nisga'a Lisims Government Building – 2000 Lisims Drive
- Type of Chargers:** The new EV charging stations in the Nisga'a Nation are “Level 2” chargers, which are the most common public EV charger. Depending on the vehicle, they deliver 80% charge in 4-6 hours.

3. **Compatibility and Interoperability:** Supporting a wide range of electric vehicles, the Level 2 Charge Station prioritizes interoperability to accommodate different charging standards, making it a versatile solution for the rapidly evolving electric vehicle market.

### Commitment to a Greener Future:



Nisga'a Lisims Government remains steadfast in its commitment to driving positive environmental change. The Level 2 Charge Station aligns with our vision of a sustainable future by reducing carbon emissions and promoting the widespread adoption of electric vehicles. We are also eagerly waiting to begin the installation of two Level 3 Fast Charging stations in the Nass Valley early in 2024, that will further address the growing demand for efficient and eco-friendly vehicles.

### Quotes:

**"Eva Clayton, President of Nisga'a Lisims Government:** These first public charging stations represents a monumental step forward in our mission to create a sustainable and clean energy future. By providing a robust and efficient charging infrastructure, we empower individuals and communities to embrace electric mobility, contributing to a greener planet."

**"Eric Nyce, Director of Capital, Housing, & Facilities:** Our commitment to innovation and environmental stewardship has led us to install these Level 2 Charge Stations. We believe it is just a start in shaping the future of transportation, making electric vehicles more accessible and convenient for all."

### Project Funding:

On March 11, 2019, the Capital (New Asset) Finance Commission met and approved the submission for Nisga'a Lisims Government (NLG) to participate in the Charge North EV Network project, and the associated CleanBC Communities Fund application, along with the North Coast Regional District as the lead applicant. On December 15, 2021, the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine board approved the use of Gas Tax Funds for NLG's share of costs for installing the Level 2 charging stations.

### **About Nisga'a Lisims Government:**

Nisga'a Lisims Government is our leading force in the clean energy industry, dedicated to developing innovative solutions that promote sustainability and reduce the carbon footprint. With a focus on cutting-edge technology and a passion for environmental responsibility, we strive to be at the forefront of the transition to a cleaner, greener future.

### **About Charge North:**

Charge North is a partnership of communities across Northern BC that has been working to increase access to electric vehicle charging. Over the last year, more than 50 charging ports have been installed, often in communities that previously had no electric vehicle charging accessible to the public. Today, this charging network that supports reliable EV travel over almost 2,800 km of highway. Charge North is facilitated by the **Community Energy Association (CEA)** on behalf of an Advisory Committee made up of representatives from regional districts in central and northern BC and the Northern BC Tourism Association.

### **About ChargePoint EV Charge Station:**

California-based ChargePoint operates the most extensive online network of independently owned EV charging stations running in 14 countries. More importantly, ChargePoint is the only EV charging solution with an integrated portfolio of hardware, cloud services and support delivering the smoothest possible experience for all businesses and drivers. When everything works together, EV charging is better for everyone.

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