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The Honourable Anita Anand Minister of Transport and Internal trade 330 Sparks Street Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N5

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Subject: iZEV Program's Pause - Transferring Funds from the iMHZEV Program to iZEV Program

Dear Minister Anand,

On Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025, ZEV Council Members received a notice from Paula Vieira, Director General responsible for the Incentives for Zero-Emission Vehicles (iZEV) Program explaining that the iZEV Program was running out of funds and would likely end before its official end date of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The remaining Funds in iZEV as of Friday January 10 were at \$71,8 million. On Sunday January 12, 2025, dealers could no longer submit an application to the iZEV Program. The site stated "Available funding for the 2025 fiscal year is now exhausted".

On Monday January 13, 2025, a notice from the iZEV Program was published indicating that iZEV Program funds have been fully committed and the iZEV Program was officially paused.

This has created a very difficult situation for:

- Many consumers who bought EVs and PHEVs in good faith across Canada only to learn that they couldn't get the rebate when taking delivery of the car this week;
- Many dealers who sold EVs and PHEVs in good faith across Canada only to learn that the rebate that they put up front a few days ago would not be reimbursed by Transport Canada;
- Many carmakers who brought EVs and PHEVs from around the world only to learn that the program was ending abruptly, making a significant number of EVs and PHEVs no longer eligible to the iZEV program.

On behalf of the 190+ EMC members including carmakers and dealers, we are requesting that you provide instructions to your Officials for the transferring of Funds from the Incentives for Medium and Heavy-Duty Zero Emission vehicles (iMHZEV) Program to the iZEV Program to honor all eligibility claims submitted as of end of day Monday January 13, 2025. We are prepared to collaborate with your Department to identify by VIN, EVs and PHEVs that have been sold up to end of day Monday January 13 2025, to secure funding for these vehicles.

Once this unfortunate situation has been settled, we will gladly sit with your team to discuss the next phase of iZEV.

Respectfully,

Daniel Breton, President and CEO, Electric Mobility Canada