



## **Electrify America Installs Its First Ultra-Fast DC Fast Charger at Chicopee Marketplace in Chicopee, MA**

*The installation is part of Electrify America's first \$500 million investment to install electric vehicle charging infrastructure across the U.S.*

Chicopee, MA (May 2, 2018) – Electrify America today unveiled its first state-of-the-art electric vehicle (EV) charging station at Chicopee Marketplace in Chicopee, Massachusetts. Chicopee is the first town in the U.S. to receive one of Electrify America's new direct current (DC) fast charging stations, which will eventually be installed at hundreds of retail, convenience, and refueling locations nationwide.

The new charging station features the first-ever certified cooled-cable 350 kilowatt (kW) charger in the United States, which can charge capable vehicles at speeds up to 20 miles of range per minute—seven times faster than today's most commonly used DC 50kW fast charger.

A ceremony marking the installation of the new charging station took place today and was attended by Chicopee Mayor, Richard Kos; Martin Suuberg, Massachusetts Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection; Wayne Killen, Senior Director of Infrastructure Planning and Business Development for Electrify America; and Daren Moss, VP of Operations & Environmental Management for Brixmor Property Group, owner of the Chicopee Marketplace. The Chicopee Marketplace charging station is now open to the public.

"We are determined to increase convenience for consumers who drive electric vehicles by placing our charging stations in locations where people already go and Chicopee Marketplace is a place where people shop, eat and spend time," said Wayne Killen, Senior Director of Infrastructure Planning and Business Development for Electrify America. "Brixmor Property Group, which owns Chicopee Marketplace, was our first retail partner and we could not be more thrilled to have one of their properties be our first installation."

"The City of Chicopee is proud to be the home of the first of Electrify America's new charging stations," said Chicopee Mayor Richard J. Kos. "We look forward to its use as we continue to further green opportunities in the City."

"Electric vehicles are the future of transportation, and Massachusetts is committed to supporting EV ownership and the public placement of EV charging stations through grant programs to municipalities, businesses and individuals," said Commissioner Martin Suuberg of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. "The Commonwealth is pleased to support the installation of fast-chargers like the one here in Chicopee, as we work to increase the visibility of advanced transportation technologies across the state."

“Partnering with Electrify America to bring their advanced EV charging technology to our centers is consistent with Brixmor’s goal to operate a sustainable business. In fact, we aim to install EV charging stations at 25% of our 475-center portfolio by 2025,” said Daren Moss, Vice President of Operations & Environmental Management for Brixmor Property Group. “Furthermore, it’s a great example of adaptive leasing that allows us to better serve the needs of our communities while minimizing our impact to the environment. With Electrify America’s DC Fast Charger, a customer can charge their car and add significant range while shopping for groceries or other daily needs.”

The Chicopee Marketplace charging station was constructed by SAI Engineering, which supported Electrify America with design, engineering, permitting, and utility coordination.

The installation is part of Electrify America’s first \$500 million investment, which includes the installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure at U.S. highway, retail, workplace, multiunit dwellings (MUD), and other locations by the end of Cycle One in June 2019. The company plans a total investment of \$2 billion, through four investment cycles, in electric vehicle infrastructure, education, and access programs over the next 10 years.

**Editor’s Note: Photos of the event will be available at: <https://www.electrifyamerica.com/news>.**

#### **About Electrify America**

Electrify America LLC, which is headquartered in Reston, Virginia, will invest \$2 billion over 10 years in Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) infrastructure, education and access. The investment will enable millions of Americans to discover the benefits of electric driving and support the build-out of a nationwide network of workplace, community and highway chargers that are convenient and reliable. For more information and to view the national and California ZEV investment plans, visit [www.electrifyamerica.com](http://www.electrifyamerica.com).

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