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DOE Helps Place Six Electric Ford Rangers at Three National Parks, the US Fish and Wildlife Service, and Two National Forests

DOE's Field Operations Program has provided \$14,300 to six Federal fleets to help them add electric Ford Ranger pickups to their inventory. The six electric Rangers will help the fleets lower their petroleum use and mobile emissions as well as comply with Executive Order 13149, "Greening the Government Through Federal Fleet and Transportation Efficiency".

The six fleets receiving the new electric Ford Rangers are

- Eldorado National Forest – Placerville, CA
- Jimmy Carter National Historic Site - Andersonville, GA
- Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park - Kennesaw, GA
- Klamath National Forest – Yreka, CA
- Rock Creek National Park – Washington, DC
- US Fish and Wildlife Service National Conservation Training Center, Shepherdstown, WV

The DOE Field Operations Program has provided a total of \$996,000 in incremental funding to 37 federal fleets to support the deployment of 220 light-duty electric vehicles over the last three years.

The 220 vehicles include 75 electric Chrysler EPIC minivans and 145 electric Ford Ranger pickups. Federal fleets in 15 states and the District of Columbia are using these electric vehicles.

The incremental cost is the difference between the General Services Administration's cost to lease a vehicle powered by a gasoline engine and the additional cost to lease an electric version of the same vehicle.

The Field Operations Program is actively supporting the deployment of advanced technology vehicles in real-world applications and environments through its testing activities.

For more information, visit the Field Operations Program's web page <http://ev.inel.gov/fop> or contact Jim Francfort at francfje@inel.gov (208) 526-6787.

The DOE researches, develops, and deploys clean, efficient, and renewable energy technologies to help meet America's energy needs while protecting the environment and strengthening the economy. Energy technologies supported and

promoted by the department will play a key role in providing clean energy for the 21st century, and lowering our dependence on foreign oil.

Federal Fleets benefiting from the incremental funding:

<u>Federal Fleet</u>	<u>Number of Vehicles</u>	<u>Model</u>
Architect of the Capitol	1	Ranger
DOA – Miami, Customs Service	14	Ranger
DOA – Eldorado National Forest (CA)	1	Ranger
DOA – Klamath National Forest (CA)	1	Ranger
DOE – Bonneville Power Administration	1	Ranger
DOE – Forrestal Building	2	Ranger
DOE – Fermi Laboratory	3	Ranger
DOE – Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory	20	Ranger
	2	EPIC
DOE – Los Alamos National Laboratory	18	Ranger
DOE – National Renewable Energy Laboratory	2	Ranger
DOE – Sandia National Laboratory	10	Ranger
DOE – Western Power Administration	1	Ranger
DOI – Bureau of Reclamation	1	Ranger
DOI – Gettysburg National Park	1	Ranger
DOI – Grand Canyon	3	Ranger
DOI – Jimmy Carter National Historic Site	1	Ranger
DOI – Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield	1	Ranger
DOI – Patuxent Wildlife Refuge	1	Ranger
DOI – Rock Creek National Park	5	Ranger
DOI – US Fish and Wildlife Service (WV)	1	Ranger
Department of Transportation – DC	1	Ranger
Environmental Protection Agency – DC	3	Ranger
General Services Administration – DC	2	Ranger
General Services Administration – Fort Worth	1	Ranger
Marines – Camp Pendelton	3	Ranger
Marines – San Diego	1	Ranger
	1	EPIC
Navy – Pensicola	2	Ranger
Navy – San Diego	1	Ranger
	11	EPIC
Presidio Trust – San Francisco	15	Ranger
Smithsonian Institute - DC	1	Ranger
Tennessee Valley Authority	5	Ranger
US Postal Service – Long Beach	16	EPIC
US Postal Service – San Diego	45	EPIC
US Air Force – Vandenburg	22	Ranger

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