



"Plug-in Electric Vehicles are coming ... is your Utility Ready?"



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Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle (PHEV)







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Announcements Coming Very Soon





Extended-Range Electric Vehicle (EREV) Chevy Volt





























Hundreds

miles **Battery ELECTRIC DRIVE**

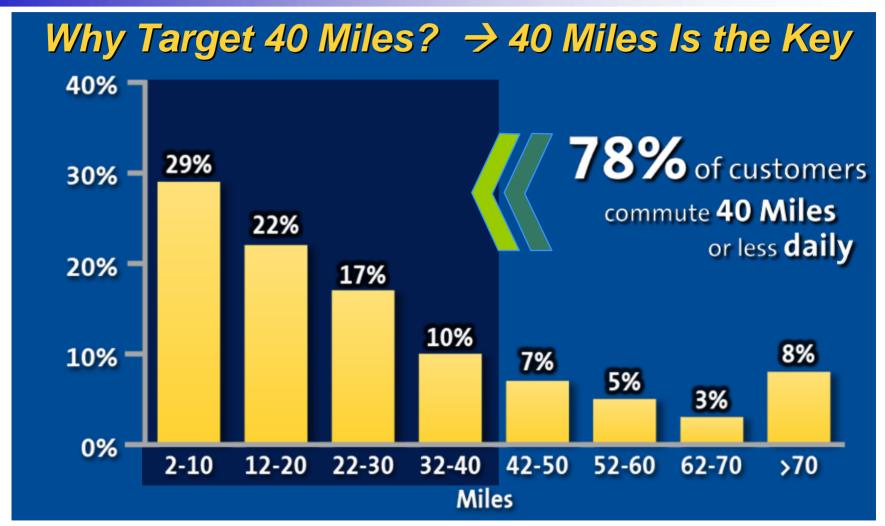
of miles **EXTENDED RANGE Driving**

(Gasoline or E85)



Typical Commute



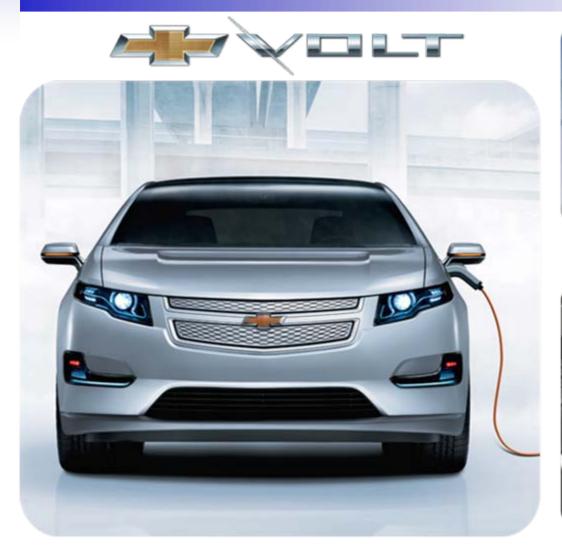


Based on U.S. Department of Transportation 2003 Omnibus Household Survey



Charging and Infrastructure











Our Goals... (GM, EPRI and the Partnering Electric Utilities)



- Accelerate use of electricity to replace gasoline
- Create affordable, desirable vehicles that take advantage of the grid
- Provide accessible, reliable, convenient, low-cost electricity (assure that homes are ready and charging is easy – standards in place)
- Realize environmental benefits of the plug-in revolution





GM/EPRI/Utility Collaboration

Includes more than 50 Utilities...many the industry's thought-leaders in electric transportation and grid interaction





Six Things We Need to Get Right



- Market analysis
- Technical features
- Public education
- Customer experience
- Macro value analysis
- Public policy



Charging Power Levels



The Volt Can Be Charged at Either 120V or 240V

- 120V (1.2 kW) charging
 - The Volt plugs into a standard household outlet
 - Full charge in about 8 hours (temperature dependent)
 - May require understanding and control of other devices on the circuit
- 240V (3.3 kW) charging
 - Full charge is about 3 hours
 - This faster charging will have additional customer value
 - Will usually require a one time investment to upgrade the garage with a dedicated 240V circuit





- Charger and control logic is on-board the vehicle
- Designed for global voltages
- 120V charge cord comes with the vehicle in NA



How Does a Volt Compare?



Annual Energy Usage – Electrical Appliances

Home Heating System 3,524 kWh

Central Air Conditioning 2,796 kWh

Refrigerator/Freezer 2,610 kWh

Water Heater 2,552 kWh

2,520 KWh

Clothes Dryer 1,079 kWh

Lighting 940 kWh

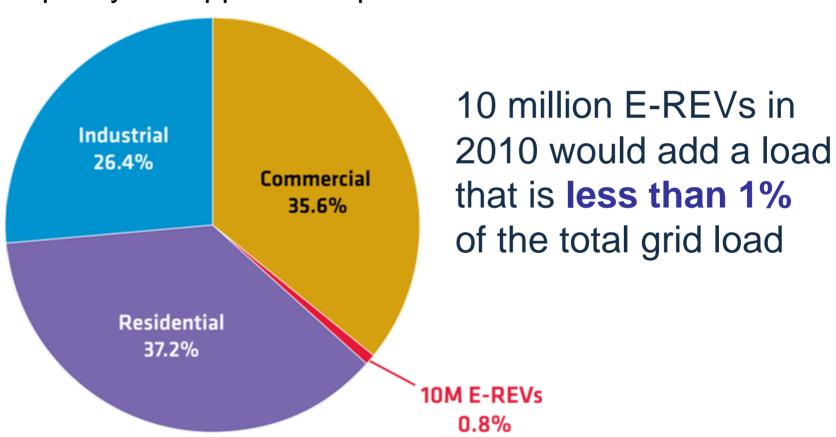




Impact on the Grid

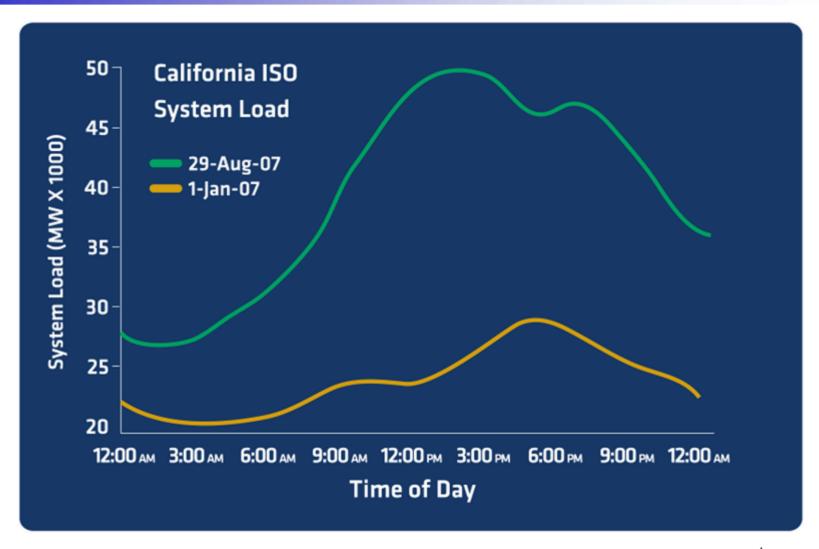


Electricity: An important energy source with significant capacity to support transportation



Electric Grid Design for Peak Demand Volt Leverages Off-Peak for Charging

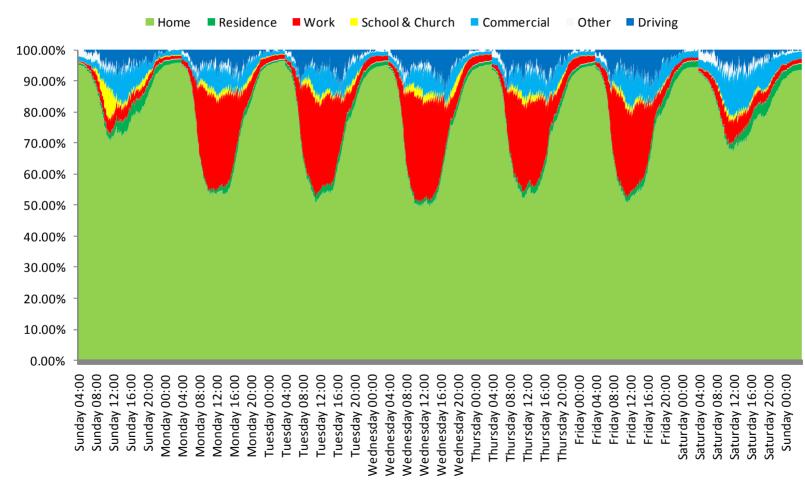




Where are the Cars?



Fleet Distribution during week



Source of Data - 2001 National Household Travel Survey; GM Data Analysis (Tate/Savagian) - SAE paper 2009-01-1311





Home is Still the Primary Location for Vehicle Charging, but ...

Several respondents indicated they would need to clean or rearrange their garages in order to make room for the charger. Garage is often used for more than just parking vehicles.







 Because several have washers/dryers or refrigerators in the garage, 220V lines already exist. Still, some would have trouble making room for an additional line/charger.







• Having the charger located on the right or front of the vehicle worked better for some. Several respondents were really not sure how they would make it work around the clutter in their garages.









Home (Residential) Charging Installation



Objectives:

- Establish a single point-of-contact for consumer
- Eliminate consumer confusion
 - Public dialogue on electricity rates and time-of-use (TOU) language
 - Understanding of available rate plans and best options for plugging-in their Volt
- Offer a satisfying home charging experience
 - Safe, convenient and reliable
 - Professional, courteous and comfortable service
- Deliver acceptable (low or reasonable) cost
 - Initial setup, installation cost
 - Monthly charge (electricity) cost
- Promote a long-term consumer relationship



Plug-in Ready Communities Required Stakeholders:



- Dedicated Project Leader
- State, City, County Governments
- Clean Cities Orgs/AQMD
- DOT
- Utilities (municipal and regional)
- Regulators/Public Utility Commissions
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Game Plan
Infrastructure / Incentives / Educational Outreach

Vehicle purchase incentives

Charging installation incentives (home, work, public)

Low off-peak charging rates (e.g. to encourage nighttime charging)

Green/renewable charging options

Government fleet purchases

Building codes to include home charging enablers

HOV lane access

Free parking

Free charging





Thank you