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CAPE COD REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (CCRTA) SELECTS FIRM FOR DEVELOPMENT OF ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE TRANSITION PLAN

Hatch Associates Consultants was selected to create and develop said plan

HYANNIS, MA – The Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority, in consultation with the Cape Cod Commission, began a search for a firm to assist with the development of a Zero Emission Vehicle Transition Plan and Regional Support Study.

The CCRTA chose Hatch Associates Consultants to develop standards and best practices for the procurement, installation, operation, and maintenance of Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) charging/ fueling infrastructure. This plan will be used for meeting federal EV-related grant requirements and will also serve as a local government resource to collectively build the infrastructure required for mass ZEV adoption.

CCRTA recognizes the impact of ZEVs in the industry and will have Hatch assess various types of ZEVs including electric, hydrogen, and hybrid options to ensure that the CCRTA is moving forward with the correct fueling technology.

Hatch was chosen for its strong data-driven approach to many pieces of the study such as: Using its in-house-built simulation software, calculating greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from vehicles on the road as well as how energy sources are produced, and total life-cycle cost of equipment and vehicles.

"As a low-lying peninsula, Cape Cod is one of the most vulnerable locations in America to rising sea levels caused by climate change. Transitioning CCRTA's vehicle fleet to ZEVs is an important step in combating climate change here on Cape Cod. We are excited to be working with Hatch and for applying what we learn from this study to deliver even better services to the people of Cape Cod," said CCRTA Administrator Thomas Cahir.

To follow along with the ZEV journey, sign up for CCRTA's monthly newsletter by emailing Steph Spadoni at sspadoni@capecodrta.org.

The Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority (CCRTA), is one of 15 Regional Transit Authorities within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and has been providing public transportation services since 1976 to residents and visitors as well as consumers of state agencies and human service organizations for all 15 Cape Cod communities. Cape Cod (Barnstable County) towns include Barnstable, Bourne, Brewster, Chatham, Dennis, Eastham, Falmouth, Harwich, Mashpee, Orleans, Provincetown, Sandwich, Truro, Wellfleet and Yarmouth.