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NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER), acting under Section 123 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022, as codified under G.L. c. 25A, § 19, and in conformance with Chapter 30A of the General Laws, is holding two public hearings on proposed amendments to regulation 225 CMR 26.00 Massachusetts Offers Rebates for Electric Vehicles (MOR-EV). These amendments are intended to streamline the application processes and make the program more cost-effective and equitable. The amendments include a number of proposed changes, including lower vehicle price caps for the light duty new and used vehicle rebates and class 3-8 vehicle rebates. The amendments also include changes in rebate amounts for individuals acquiring pick-up trucks, class 2b vehicles, and class 3-8 vehicles, as well as the addition of an income threshold as new eligibility criteria for the MOR-EV+ adder.

One virtual public hearing and one in-person public hearing will be conducted to receive verbal and written comments on the regulation.

Public hearings will be held:

Tuesday, September 1, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Register in advance for this hearing:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_qDoKYA-qTBGzfdlxO6Gc4w

Wednesday, September 2, 2026 at 1:00 PM.

Location: 2nd Floor Conference Room, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, MA 02114

Register in advance for this hearing to Morgan Bowler at morgan.bowler@mass.gov

Verbal testimony will be accepted at the hearings; however, parties may also provide written copies of their testimony. Written comments will be accepted beginning July 31, 2026 and ending at 5:00 PM on September 4, 2026. DOER requests that written comments be submitted as attached pdf files to morgan.bowler@mass.gov with the words 2026 MOR EV RULEMAKING COMMENTS in the subject line. Alternatively, comments can be submitted via mail to Morgan Bowler at the Department of Energy Resources, 100 Cambridge Street, 9th Floor, Boston, MA 02114. Copies of the proposed regulations may be obtained from the DOER website,

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/mor-ev-rebate-program>, or by contacting Morgan Bowler at morgan.bowler@mass.gov.

Language interpretation services are available upon request. To request this service, please email morgan.bowler@mass.gov at least four (4) business days prior to the respective hearing. Please include your name, the event name and date, the language requested, and your phone number should we have any questions.

BY ORDER OF: Elizabeth Mahony, Commissioner
 Department of Energy Resources

Small Business Impact Statement

(As required by M.G.L. c. 30A §§ 2, 3 & 5)

CMR No: 225 CMR 26.00

Estimate of the Number of Small Businesses Impacted by the Regulation: None

Participation in 225 CMR 26.00 by a small business is voluntary. The number of small businesses that participated in the MOR-EV program in 2024 was less than 200.

- Will small businesses have to create, file, or issue additional reports?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Will small businesses have to implement additional recordkeeping procedures?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Will small businesses have to provide additional administrative oversight?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Will small businesses have to hire additional employees in order to comply with the proposed regulation?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Does compliance with the regulation require small businesses to hire other professionals (e.g. a lawyer, accountant, engineer, etc.)?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Does the regulation require small businesses to purchase a product or make any other capital investments in order to comply with the regulation?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Are performance standards more appropriate than design/operational standards to accomplish the regulatory objective?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Do any other regulations duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Does the regulation require small businesses to cooperate with audits, inspections or other regulatory enforcement activities?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Does the regulation require small businesses to provide educational services to keep up to date with regulatory requirements?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Is the regulation likely to *deter* the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?
No, the regulations is not likely to deter the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts.
- Is the regulation likely to *encourage* the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?
No, the regulation is not likely to have any impact on the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts.
- Does the regulation provide for less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?
No, the regulation does not provide for less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.
- Does the regulation establish less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Did the agency consolidate or simplify compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Can performance standards for small businesses replace design or operational standards without hindering delivery of the regulatory objective?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.
- Are there alternative regulatory methods that would minimize the adverse impact on small businesses?
No, participation in the program by small businesses is voluntary.