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Barb – to your attention. Thanks!

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Dear Ms. Regynski,

Thanks for the opportunity to provide these comments.

Regards,

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June 15, 2018

Barb Regynski
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RE: Comments on Draft Mitigation Plan for the Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust

Dear Ms. Regynski:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on South Dakota's draft Beneficiary Mitigation Plan for the Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust. The \$8.125M that South Dakota will receive represents a significant opportunity to make investments into zero emission vehicles and charging infrastructure, while mitigating the excess NOx emissions caused by Volkswagen's harmful actions.

Appendix D-2 of the VW Settlement Consent Decree details eligible mitigation projects that each beneficiary can invest in to reduce NOx emissions. Importantly, up to fifteen percent (15%) of a state's trust allocation costs can be put towards deploying new, light-duty electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE).

ChargePoint supports South Dakota's plan to allocate 5% towards electric vehicle charging infrastructure, however we encourage you to allocate the full 15% allowed by the Consent Decree. We believe that the lack of electric vehicles on South Dakota's roads is in large part due to a lack of charging infrastructure at workplaces, multi-unit dwellings, and publicly accessible locations. We believe that an investment in EVSE will significantly support increased electric vehicle adoption throughout the State, and contribute to reducing nitrogen oxide emissions.

The South Dakota Department of Environmental and Natural Resources should invest the vast majority of funds for this Eligible Mitigation Action into Level 2 charging stations at workplaces, multifamily dwellings, and publicly accessible locations throughout South Dakota. Since 80% of charging happens at work and at home, investing in charging infrastructure at these locations will help to drive EV adoption and result in the greatest reduction in NOx emissions.

Funds for EVSE should be deployed through a voucher or grant program, with a simple online application form. A program such as the [CALeVIP](#) funded by the California Energy Commission, serve as efficient and flexible frameworks for delivering Level 2 EVSE incentives.

ChargePoint is the leading electric vehicle (EV) charging network in the world, with charging solutions in every category EV drivers charge, at home, work, around town and on the road. With more than 50,000 independently owned public and semi-public charging spots and more than 8,000 customers (businesses, cities, agencies and service providers), ChargePoint is the only charging technology company on the market that designs, develops and manufactures hardware and software solutions across every use case.

Leading EV hardware makers and other partners rely on the ChargePoint network to make charging station details available in mobile apps, online and in navigation systems for popular EVs. ChargePoint drivers have completed more than 38 million charging sessions, saving upwards of 39 million gallons of gasoline and driving more than 939 million gas-free miles. For more information, visit www.chargepoint.com

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please contact me at john.schott@chargepoint.com or (669) 237-3406.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Schott". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

John Schott
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