

APPENDIX D-4
Beneficiary Eligible Mitigation Action Certification

FUNDING REQUEST #10 (3rd Revision)

BENEFICIARY ELIGIBLE MITIGATION ACTION CERTIFICATION

Beneficiary: State of Illinois

Lead Agency Authorized to Act on Behalf of the Beneficiary: Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA)

Action Title:	Light-Duty Zero Emission Vehicle Supply Equipment (DCFC)
Beneficiary's Project ID:	Pilot Travel Centers: 2022-072, 2022-073
Funding Request No.:	10 (3 rd Revision due to 2022-005 and 2022-008 Love's Travel Stops project being canceled and Pilot Travel Centers project coming in under-budget)
Request Type: (select one or more)	☒ Reimbursement ☐ Advance ☐ Other (specify): _____
Payment to be made to: (select one or more)	☐ Beneficiary ☒ Other (specify): <u>Pilot Travel Centers LLC</u>
Funding Request & Direction: (Attachment A)	☐ Attached to this Certification ☒ To be Provided Separately

SUMMARY

Eligible Mitigation Action Action Type	☒ Appendix D-2 item (specify): <u>9. Light-Duty Zero Emission Vehicle Supply Equipment and Administrative Expenditures</u> ☐ Item 10 – DERA Option (5.2.12) (specify and attach DERA Proposal)
Explanation of how funding request fits into Beneficiary's Mitigation Plan (5.2.1): Illinois' revised BMP submitted in April 2022 allocates up to 15 percent of its funds to install light-duty ZEV charging equipment at publicly available locations within the three designated priority areas and allocates up to 2 percent for administrative costs (Section IV(D)).	
Detailed Description of Mitigation Action Item Including Community and Air Quality Benefits (5.2.2): This project involves the installation of commercial DCFC infrastructure stations at five locations within the three priority areas identified in Illinois' BMP. These locations are truck stops that include restaurants and convenience stores situated along interstate highways frequented by the driving public. The grant award was established at 80% of eligible project costs for the DCFC charging stations, including any necessary utility connections and upgrades and network connectivity, signage, and collision barriers. The grant awards are capped at \$480,000 for three proposed sites and \$320,000 for two proposed sites in an application. This results in a grant award of \$800,000 for Pilot Travel Centers for the five charging station locations. The DCFC stations will help reduce vehicle emissions and improve air quality by providing increased EV charging options that will promote the purchase and usage of more EVs and provide greater assurances to the public that charging will be available in these areas.	

Estimate of Anticipated NOx Reductions (5.2.3):

Per the AFLEET Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Emissions Tool, the 5 DCFC charging stations will result in an estimated 67 pounds of annual NOx reductions.

Identification of Governmental Entity Responsible for Reviewing and Auditing Expenditures of Eligible Mitigation Action Funds to Ensure Compliance with Applicable Law (5.2.7.1):

Illinois EPA

Describe how the Beneficiary will make documentation publicly available (5.2.7.2) The public may access documentation and records relative to the State of Illinois' administration of Trust Funds by submitting a request to the Illinois EPA pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140/1, et. seq.). The Illinois EPA has regulations ("Access to Public Records of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency," 2 Ill. Adm. Code Part 1828) that provide the framework by which Illinois EPA public records may be requested, accessed, inspected, duplicated, and further lists the records what will not be disclosed to the public, including records that contain personally-identifiable information and confidential business information. Trade secret and confidential business information claims are reviewed by the Illinois EPA in accordance with procedures and rules provided in 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 130 and 2 Ill. Adm. Code Part 1828.

The Illinois EPA will make certain documentation and records relative to its administrative of Trust Funds available on its Driving a Cleaner Illinois webpage. The Illinois EPA's Beneficiary Mitigation Plan ("BMP") was made available to the public for review and comment, and the final BMP is available through the Illinois EPA's Driving a Cleaner Illinois webpage. The Illinois EPA will make available funding opportunities and related information and documents through this webpage. Further, the Illinois EPA will maintain and make available for public review all documentation submitted in support of funding requests and all records supporting all expenditures of eligible mitigation action funds consistent with the aforementioned laws and regulations.

Describe any cost share requirement to be placed on each NOx source proposed to be mitigated (5.2.8):

Environmental Mitigation Trust Funds will provide 80% funding of eligible costs for the DCFC charging stations. The applicant is required to provide a 20% cost share, resulting in a minimum cost share amount of \$200,000.

Describe how the Beneficiary complied with subparagraph 4.2.8, related to notice to U.S. Government Agencies (5.2.9):

Illinois EPA provided the requisite notice via email to the appropriate agencies on February 27, 2018.

If applicable, describe how the mitigation action will mitigate the impacts of NOx emissions on communities that have historically borne a disproportionate share of the adverse impacts of such emissions (5.2.10):

The truck stops are along interstate highways that experience a high volume of diesel truck traffic resulting in a disproportionate amount of diesel emissions in these areas. The DCFC sites will help mitigate NOx and other mobile source emissions in these areas.

ATTACHMENTS
(CHECK BOX IF ATTACHED)

☐	Attachment A	Funding Request and Direction.
☒	Attachment B	Eligible Mitigation Action Management Plan Including Detailed Budget and Implementation and Expenditures Timeline (5.2.4).
☒	Attachment C	Detailed Plan for Reporting on Eligible Mitigation Action Implementation (5.2.11).
☒	Attachment D	Detailed cost estimates from selected or potential vendors for each proposed expenditure exceeding \$25,000 (5.2.6). [Attach only if project involves vendor expenditures exceeding \$25,000.]
☐	Attachment E	DERA Option (5.2.12). [Attach only if using DERA option.]
☐	Attachment F	Attachment specifying amount of requested funding to be debited against each beneficiary's allocation (5.2.12). [Attach only if this is a joint application involving multiple beneficiaries.]

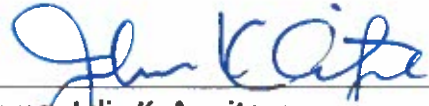
CERTIFICATIONS

By submitting this application, the Lead Agency makes the following certifications:

1. This application is submitted on behalf of the Beneficiary State of Illinois, and the person executing this certification has authority to make this certification on behalf of the Lead Agency and Beneficiary, pursuant to the Certification for Beneficiary Status filed with the Court.
2. Beneficiary requests and directs that the Trustee make the payments described in this application and Attached A to this Form.
3. This application contains all information and certifications required by Paragraph 5.2 of the Trust Agreement, and the Trustee may rely on this application, Attachment A, and related certifications in making disbursements of trust funds for the aforementioned Project ID.
4. Any vendors were or will be selected in accordance with a jurisdiction's public contracting law as applicable. (5.2.5)

5. Beneficiary will maintain and make publicly available all documentation submitted in support of this funding request and all records supporting all expenditures of eligible mitigation action funds subject to applicable laws governing the publication of confidential business information and personally identifiable information. (5.2.7.2)

DATED: 6/3/24


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Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
LEAD AGENCY

For

State of Illinois
BENEFICIARY

ATTACHMENT B

Eligible Mitigation Action Management Plan Including Detailed Budget and Implementation and Expenditures Timeline (5.2.4)

Light-Duty Zero Emission Vehicle Supply Equipment (DCFC)

Pursuant to Section 5.2.4 of the Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement, the Illinois EPA provides the following Eligible Mitigation Action Management Plan. The milestone dates and yearly budget distributions provided are estimates and are subject to change based on the date of grant agreement execution and other variables.

Project Implementation Schedule and Milestones

Grantees: Pilot Travel Centers
Project ID: 2022-072, 2022-073

Period of Performance: September 2023 – March 2026

Milestone	Estimated Completion Date
Illinois EPA enters into Grant Agreement	September 2023
Applicant enters into Purchase Agreement/Places Order	October 2023
Completed Installation of DCFC Stations and related items, equipment	January 2026
New Charging Equipment put into Service	February 2026
Applicant provides detailed invoices for all claimed project costs and required final project certification documents to Illinois EPA to support direction to Trustee for Payment (Reimbursement, Direct-to-Vendor)	March 2026
Illinois EPA Completes Review and Certifies Payment Direction to Trustee (Reimbursement)	March 2026
Trustee Acknowledges Receipt of Direction for Payment(s) (Reimbursement)	April 2026
Illinois EPA submits Final Report for Project Completion	July 2026

PROJECT BUDGET

Light-Duty Zero Emission Vehicle Supply Equipment (DCFC)

Budget Category	Total Approved Budget	Share of Total Budget to be Funded by the Trust	Cost-Share
5 DCFC Charging Stations and related items and equipment	\$1,000,000	\$800,000	\$200,000
IEPA Administration @2%	\$16,000	\$16,000	
Project Totals	\$1,016,000	\$816,000	\$200,000
Percentage of Equipment Expenditure (not including 2% admin.)	100%	80%	20%

PROJECTED TRUST ALLOCATIONS

Illinois' Allocation	\$108,679,676.98
Obligated Awards from Previous D-4 Submittals for Projects #1-9 (Equipment + Administration Costs)	\$15,287,618.52
Illinois' Net Allocation	\$93,392,058.46
Current D-4 Project Funding Request (Project #10 5 DCFC Stations + Administration Costs)	\$816,000
Illinois' Remaining Unobligated Allocation	\$92,576,058.46

Project #10: Anticipated Budget Year Distribution of Project Costs (Equipment + Admin.)	2025	2026 5 DCFC Stations	2027
1. Anticipated Annual Project and Administrative Funding request to be paid through the Trust		\$816,000	
2. Anticipated Annual Cost Share		\$200,000	
3. Anticipated Total Project Funding by Year		\$1,016,000	

ATTACHMENT C

Detailed Plan for Reporting on Eligible Mitigation Action Implementation (5.2.11) Light-Duty Zero Emission Vehicle Supply Equipment (DCFC)

Pursuant to Sections 5.2.11 and 5.3 of the Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement, the Illinois EPA provides this project implementation reporting plan for the installation of five DCFC stations undertaken by Pilot Travel Centers LLC. This detailed plan for reporting incorporates applicable State of Illinois grantee reporting requirements as well as Illinois' obligation to comply with the semi-annual reporting requirement contained in Section 5.3 of the Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement. Pilot Travel Centers will provide the reports as specified below to the Illinois EPA. Further, the Illinois EPA will provide semi-annual reports to the Volkswagen Trustee as specified below and as required based on the reporting information received from the grantees. The reporting deadlines contained herein are estimates and are subject to change based on the date of grant agreement execution and other variables.

Grantees: Pilot Travel Centers
Project ID: 2022-072, 2022-073

Reports and Reporting Schedule

Estimated execution of grant agreement and start of project:	September 2023
Due date of quarterly project report #1 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	October 15, 2023 (July-September 2023)
Due date of quarterly project report #2 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	January 15, 2024 (October-December 2023)
Due date of semi-annual project report #1 from Illinois EPA to Trustee:	January 30, 2024 (July-December 2023)
Due date of quarterly project report #3 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	April 15, 2024 (January-March 2024)
Due date of quarterly project report #4 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	July 15, 2024 (April-June 2024)
Due date of semi-annual project report #2 from Illinois EPA to Trustee:	July 30, 2024 (January – June 2024)
Due date of quarterly project report #5 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	October 15, 2024 (July-September 2024)
Due date of quarterly project report #6 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	January 15, 2025 (October-December 2024)
Due date of semi-annual project report #3 from Illinois EPA to Trustee:	January 30, 2025 (July-December 2024)
Due date of quarterly project report #7 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	April 15, 2025 (January-March 2025)
Due date of quarterly project report #8 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	July 15, 2025 (April-June 2025)
Due date of semi-annual project report #4 from Illinois EPA to Trustee:	July 30, 2025 (January – June 2025)
Due date of quarterly project report #9 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	October 15, 2025 (July-September 2025)
Due date of quarterly project report #10 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	January 15, 2026 (October-December 2025)
Due date of semi-annual project report #5 from Illinois EPA to Trustee:	January 30, 2026 (July-December 2025)
Due date of quarterly project report #11 from Grantee to Illinois EPA:	April 15, 2026 (January-March 2026)

Due date of final project report from Grantee to Illinois EPA: March 31, 2026

Due date of final project report from Illinois EPA to Trustee: July 30, 2026

Report Content

Grantee and Illinois EPA reports will contain, at a minimum, the following information:

1. Summary of all costs expended through the reporting period and to date
2. Project status and development and implementation accomplishments
3. Any project modifications as compared to the original plan
4. Actual or projected project completion and grant termination date

ATTACHMENT D

Detailed Cost Estimates from Selected or Potential Vendors for each Proposed Expenditure Exceeding \$25,000 (5.2.6) Light-Duty Zero Emission Vehicle Supply Equipment (DCFC)

Pursuant to Section 5.2.6 of the Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement, Illinois EPA provides the following detailed cost estimate for the installation of five DCFC stations undertaken by Pilot Travel Centers.

Grantee: Pilot Travel Centers
Project ID: 2022-072, 2022-073

Equipment	Equipment Cost	Eligible Award Cost @80%
DCFC Charging Station with collision protection, signage, lighting, utility equipment interconnections and upgrades, and parking space improvements (5 stations total)	\$200,000 per station \$1,000,000 for 5 stations	\$160,000 per station \$800,000 for 5 stations

Trust Fund Request @80% for 5 DCFC Stations:	\$800,000
Illinois EPA 2% Administrative Costs:	\$16,000

Total Trust Fund Request for Pilot Travel Centers DCFC Zero Emission Vehicle Supply Equipment Project:
\$816,000