ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING REQUIREMENTS

Amend Title 13, Motor Vehicles, Division 3, Air Resources Board, Chapter 1, Motor Vehicle Pollution Control Devices, Article 1, General Provisions, § 1962.1, Electric Vehicle Charging Requirements to read:

§ 1962.1-2. Electric Vehicle Charging Requirements

(a) Applicability. This section applies to (1) all battery electric vehicles that qualify for 1.0 or greater ZEV credit under section 1962, and (2) all hybrid electric vehicles that are capable of being recharged by a battery charger that transfers energy from the electricity grid to the vehicle for purposes of recharging the vehicle traction battery, other than battery electric vehicles and hybrid electric vehicles that are only capable of Level 1 charging.

(b) Definitions.

(1) The definitions in section 1962 apply to this section.

(2) "Level 1 charging" means a charging method that allows an electric vehicle or hybrid electric vehicle to be charged by having its charger connected to the most common grounded receptacle (NEMA 5-15R). A vehicle that is only capable of Level 1 charging is one that is charged by an on-board or off-board charger capable of accepting energy from the existing AC supply network. The maximum power is 12 amps, with a branch circuit rating of 15 amps, and continuous power of 1.44 kilowatts.

(c) Requirements. Beginning with the 2006 model year, all vehicles identified in subsection (a) must be equipped with a conductive charger inlet port which meets all the specifications contained in Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) Surface Vehicle Recommended Practice SAE J1772 REV NOV 2001, SAE Electric Vehicle Conductive Charger Coupler, which is incorporated herein by reference. All such vehicles must be equipped with an on-board charger with a minimum output of 3.3 kilovolt amps.