



Phoenix Motorcars Delivers ZEV Trucks to City of Salinas

Anaheim, California (February 3, 2023) – Phoenix Motorcars is proud to announce their recent deployment of 3, All-Electric, Zero-Emission Z500 trucks to the City of Salinas. The project included 1 x Zero Emission flatbed truck, and 2 x Zero Emission cargo trucks, as well as 3 x Level III charging stations.

The three trucks are built on the Ford E-450 chassis powered by Phoenix Motorcars and will serve the City of Salinas in their fleet department. The all-electric zero emission trucks were funded in part by the Monterey Bay Air Resources District (MBARD) Clean Air Management Program and the Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP) program.

According to Richard Stedman, MBARD's Air Pollution Control Officer, "Over 60% of the total emission of smog forming compounds in our region comes from motor vehicles with the largest portion coming from medium to heavy duty diesel trucks and buses. By partnering with the City of Salinas to purchase three medium duty electric trucks, we're taking another step toward improving air quality in our community."

The Phoenix Z500 trucks are equipped with a 94-kWh battery pack offering up to 110-mile range and can be fully charged in approximately two to three hours with a 50-kW Level III charger. The Z500 trucks, as compared to its equivalent fossil fueled alternatives, will reduce atmospheric emissions by ~61 tons per vehicle annually, reduce maintenance costs by 75% and fuel costs by 80%.

"Agriculture is the foundation of our local economy, so the air quality and climate in our community matter," said Salinas Mayor Kimbley Craig. "Replacing three large fleet vehicles helps protect our environment and also significantly reduces operational and maintenance costs. Climate resiliency and environmental sustainability are part of the core values of our Council and improve the quality of life for our residents."

Phoenix has been the leader in medium duty electrification for over a decade. With 4 million all-electric miles driven on their zero emission drive systems, Phoenix has unparalleled experience and expertise helping public and private fleets successfully deploy and adopt electric vehicles into their fleets, cleaning the air quality and providing clean, quiet and safe zero emission transportation and mobility for their companies and communities.

"Phoenix Motorcars is proud of our commitment to sustainable vehicle technology, and our project to bring the first zero emission trucks to the City of Salinas" says Thomas Allen, Vice President of Sales for Phoenix Motorcars. "We've been an avid supporter of both the state HVIP program and MBARD's efforts to help clean the air quality in Monterey County, and this project is a huge success for both the City of Salinas' fleet, and their community members who breathe the air of the beautiful central coast. Zero emission transportation and mobility is an integral part of building a sustainable future and it's great to see the City of Salinas being an early adopter. Operating the Z500 all-electric trucks from Phoenix will provide significant emission savings and cost saving opportunities to Salinas and their community."



About Monterey Air Resources District

The mission of the Monterey Bay Air Resources District is to Protect Public and Environmental Health while balancing Economic and Air Quality Considerations.

The District is responsible for air monitoring, permitting, enforcement, long-range air quality planning, regulatory development, education and public information activities related to air pollution, as required by the California Clean Air Act and Amendments (HSC Section 40910 et seq.) and the Federal Clean Air Act and Amendments (42 U.S.C. Section 7401 et seq.)

About Phoenix Motor Inc.

Phoenix Motorcars is a leader in developing medium-duty electric vehicles for commercial markets with a primary focus on class 4 vehicles. Phoenix Motorcars strives to provide fleets with clean transportation and renewable energy through advanced technology solutions and remains committed to excellence in electric vehicle innovation. Phoenix Motorcars offers a range of vehicle configurations, including shuttle buses, utility trucks, service trucks, flatbed trucks, walk-in vans, cargo trucks and school buses.

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