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Dear EV charger user,

The Office of Sustainable Energy is proud to support the EV network in and around Baltimore. In 2012, we along with the Parking Authority (BCPA) installed the electric vehicle charging stations or electric vehicle service equipment (EVSE) in municipal garages, and for many years outside funding allowed us to keep these stations free to you, the user. Unfortunately, this system of free charging has created some problems. Currently, there is more demand in the some garages than there are chargers available. And, on many weekdays, both the level 1 and 2 EVSE are occupied by the same vehicles for the entire day. Vehicles remain parked long after the battery is charged. To ensure access for those needing a charge, we at the Baltimore City Office of Sustainable Energy are attempting to optimize charging usage by implementing a pricing structure for charging in the most popular EV spaces in Baltimore City-owned garages.

For now, we would like to only charge drivers for the level 2 electricity use, although in up-andcoming weeks, depending on the results of this implementation, this could change. Level 2 charging in the following garages will cost \$0.15 per kWh between the hours of 7:00AM and 7:00PM on weekdays. The price will be implemented sometime in the upcoming weeks.

Arena Garage – 99 S. Howard Street Baltimore Street Garage - 15 Guilford Avenue Caroline Street Garage - 805 S. Caroline Street Lexington Street Garage – 510 E. Lexington Street Penn Station Garage – 1151 N. Charles Street Redwood Street Garage = 11 S. Eutaw Street Water Street Garage – 414 Water Street

We believe this is the best way to ensure EV drivers who need a charge can receive one at the lowest possible cost to you, although the price may change if the issues are not resolved. Level 1 charging will remain free at all times. All funds collected will be used to pay for equipment repairs or annual subscription fees of municipal EVSEs and the possibility of more charging infrastructure is also a plausible in the future.

If you have any questions about the pricing, please feel free to contact Ashley Chouinard or Jason Mathias at the Office of Sustainable Energy: ashley.chouinard@baltimorecity.gov. jason.mathias@baltimorecity.gov.

Thank you for your patience as we try to support the EV population in a resourceful manner.