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Sierra Club Celebrates Clean Transportation Leaders on National Plug In Day

Waukesha - On Saturday September, 28, 2013 <u>Plug In America</u>, the <u>Sierra Club</u>, and the <u>Electric Auto Association</u> will celebrate <u>National Plug In Day</u>, a nationwide celebration aimed at increasing awareness about the environmental benefits and widespread availability of today's plug-in vehicles, including all-electric and plug-in hybrid electric cars, trucks, motorcycles, and more. This third annual celebration will take the form of simultaneous electric vehicle (EV) events occurring in over 75 cities coast-to-coast.

What: National Plug In Day

When: Saturday, September 28, 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Where: Marshall Auto Body, 22300 W. Bluemound Rd in Waukesha, Wisconsin (map)

Details: We will present clean transportation leadership awards to the Marshall Auto Body (for being an electric charging site and investing in solar); to Electricharge Mobility (for selling EV charging stations and promoting EVs); and the Milwaukee Office of Sustainability (for installing electric charging stations in <u>public locations</u> and promoting transit, biking and walking). Attendees can walk, bike or drive to the event and park onstreet, at Marshall Auto Body, or at Plastic Surgery Associates across the street. Following awards, we are working with local dealers to offer test drives of energy efficient vehicles like the Chevy Volt, Toyota Prius, Honda Civic Hybrid, or Nissan Leaf for interested attendees. This free, fun, family-friendly event is open to the public, and it will feature an area where kids can play with toy cars.

Electric Vehicles offer many benefits, including driving down demand for tar sands and conventional oil (American passenger vehicles use 121 billion gallons per year); lowering greenhouse gas emissions (even in areas that rely heavily on coal); creating jobs for companies that manufacture and sell electric vehicles and charging stations; and reducing vehicle maintenance costs, since EVs have no engine, transmission, spark plugs, valves, fuel tank, tailpipe, distributor, starter, muffler, or catalytic converter. Members of the media should RSVP to: Shahla Werner at shahla.werner@sierraclub.org or Elaine Williams at elaine@marshallautobody.com.

Founded in 1892 by John Muir, the Sierra Club is America's oldest, largest and most influential grassroots environmental organization. Our mission is to explore, enjoy, and protect the wild places of the earth; to practice and promote the responsible use of the earth's ecosystems and resources; to educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environment; and to use all lawful means to carry out those objectives. The Sierra Club – John Muir Chapter is made up of 15,000 members and supporters working to promote clean energy and protect water & land resources in Wisconsin. Marshall Auto Body offers EV charging, with an HPWC and Clipper Creek CS-100 charger available 24/7 at no cost. Marshall Auto Body is trained in aluminum structural vehicle repair and is the only authorized Tesla Motors repair facility in Wisconsin and the first of four shops in the United States invited to participate in a two week certification program (August-2013) by Tesla Motors at their California facility.