

# AYRO Submits the Vanish for Testing to Demonstrate Compliance with the Most Rigorous Zero Emissions Vehicle Standards

Low-Speed EV Manufacturer Begins California Air Resources Board Testing

**ROUND ROCK, TX / ACCESSWIRE / June 22, 2023 /**AYRO, Inc. (NASDAQ:AYRO) ("AYRO" or the "Company"), a designer and manufacturer of electric, purpose-built delivery vehicles and solutions for micro distribution, micromobility, and last-mile delivery, today announces the 2023 AYRO Vanish (the "Vanish") has initiated certification testing by the California Air Resources Board (C.A.R.B.), which has established the most rigorous zero-emissions vehicle standards in the country.



C.A.R.B. is the lead agency for climate change programs, with a mission to protect the public from the harmful effects of air pollution, and to develop programs and actions to fight climate change.

Originally established in California in 1967, C.A.R.B. regulations have been adopted by seventeen other states, including Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland,

Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and Washington, as well as Washington D.C.

"We hold ourselves to an unrelenting standard when it comes to quality and sustainability. It's absolutely vital that the Vanish meets the most rigorous safety, environmental and technical requirements available for electric vehicles," noted Tom Wittenschlaeger, CEO of AYRO. "Our mission is not only to produce long-lasting, low-speed electric vehicles but to redefine the core expectations of sustainability and pioneer a new class of zero-emission vehicles."

The Vanish is a utility low-speed electric vehicle (LSEV) with a lightweight architecture that limits vehicle weight and maximizes payload. The Vanish offers highly adaptable configurations and is designed to serve as a sustainable alternative to gas-powered vehicles typically used in commercial fleets. The vehicle first entered homologation in May, for which testing included the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) 500 and 111 and Canada Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (CMVSS) 500.

Vehicles that undergo C.A.R.B. testing and approval must demonstrate compliance with the California Code of Regulations, Section 1962.2, Title 13 for "Zero Emission Vehicle Standards for 2018 through 2025 Model Year Passenger Cars, Light-Duty Trucks, and Medium-Duty Vehicles."

"It's imperative that we, as an industry, don't permit our zeal for production to eclipse minimizing the impact that these vehicles could ultimately have on the environment," continued Wittenschlaeger. "We're committed to not only abiding by these regulations but to setting the standard for other industry players for years to come."

AYRO has already been honored with two prominent awards in 2023, the Red Dot Award for Product Design and the Frost and Sullivan North American New Product Innovation Award. Additionally, AYRO has secured a design patent and two utility patents for the Vanish and has filed several others, along with numerous foundational patents in the field of sustainability.

### **About AYRO**

AYRO designs and produces zero emission vehicles and systems that redefine the very nature of sustainability. Our goal is to craft solutions in a way that leaves minimal impact on not only carbon emissions, but the space itself. From tire tread, fuel cells, sound and even discordant visuals, we apply engineering and artistry to every element of our product mix. The AYRO Vanish is the first in this new product roadmap. For more information, visit ayro.com.

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