

Blink Charging Deploys EV Charging Stations Across Traverse City, Michigan

Installation of 27 new publicly-accessible chargers celebrated at ribbon-cutting event in partnership with Traverse City Light & Power

Miami Beach, FL, Aug. 27, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Blink Charging Co. (Nasdaq: BLNK, BLNKW) ("Blink" or the "Company"), a leading owner, operator, and provider of electric vehicle (EV) charging equipment and services, in partnership with Traverse City Light & Power (TCL&P), a community-owned, community-focused municipal utility, today announced the deployment of 27 charging ports at six locations across Traverse City, Michigan. The deployments, funded in part by a grant from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) are part of TCL&P's efforts to advance its comprehensive environmental program and reduce the City's carbon footprint. The TCL&P-owned chargers include three DC fast chargers (DCFC) and 12 dual-port IQ 200 Level 2 charging stations.

In May, TCL&P was awarded a \$173,763 grant from the Michigan EGLE for the installation of EV charging station infrastructure. The EGLE grant is funded through the Volkswagen emission settlement and comes at no cost to the Michigan taxpayer.

"Blink is proud to provide Traverse City Light & Power with EV chargers both for DC fast and Level 2 charging," said Brendan Jones, President of Blink Charging. "With the new IQ 200 100-amp chargers, Traverse City residents and visitors can have confidence that the city's infrastructure is well positioned to meet their charging needs today and to serve the EVs of tomorrow without requiring future upgrades as EV technology changes."

"We are committed to doing our part in Traverse City's transition to electric vehicles by creating the infrastructure that will allow it to happen," said Paul Heiberger, TCL&P Board Chairperson. "This is an exciting opportunity and one that is in line with our strategic goals related to environmental stewardship."

"This installation expands Michigan's electric vehicle infrastructure at key locations, which will alleviate range anxiety in Northern Michigan and spur more sustainable travel throughout the state," said Charlie Tyson, Technology Activation Manager with the Office of Future Mobility and Electrification. "The state of Michigan remains committed to accelerating EV adoption among Michigan residents and addressing the impacts of climate change through advanced mobility solutions and critical charging infrastructure."

Blink and TCL&P are hosting a ribbon cutting event today, August 27th, at Clinch Park to commemorate the installation and invite local community leaders, business leaders and the

public. Remarks from state, regional and local dignitaries will be followed by an EV showcase in partnership with local dealerships where various full EVs and plug-in models will be on display.

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ABOUT BLINK CHARGING

Blink Charging Co. (Nasdag: BLNK, BLNKW) is a leader in electric vehicle (EV) charging equipment and has deployed over 30,000 charging ports across 13 countries, many of which are networked EV charging stations, enabling EV drivers to easily charge at any of the Company's charging locations worldwide. Blink Charging's principal line of products and services include its Blink EV charging network ("Blink Network"), EV charging equipment, and EV charging services. The Blink Network uses proprietary, cloud-based software that operates, maintains, and tracks the EV charging stations connected to the network and the associated charging data. With global EV purchases forecasted to rise to 10 million by 2025 from approximately 2 million in 2019, the Company has established key strategic partnerships for rolling out adoption across numerous location types, including parking facilities, multifamily residences and condos, workplace locations, health care/medical facilities, schools and universities, airports, auto dealers, hotels, mixed-use municipal locations, parks and recreation areas, religious institutions, restaurants, retailers, stadiums, hubs. For supermarkets. and transportation more information. please https://www.blinkcharging.com/.

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ABOUT TRAVERSE CITY LIGHT & POWER

Traverse City Light & Power (<u>www.tclp.org</u>) is a community-owned, community-focused municipal utility that offers reliable energy at low rates in the region to over 12,700 customers in Traverse City, and parts of East Bay, Elmwood, Garfield and Peninsula townships. Now offering <u>TCLPfiber</u>, an all-fiber, gigabit internet service.

ABOUT MICHIGAN CLEAN CITIES

The Clean Cities Initiative, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy, is focused on advancing clean transportation solutions - for a clean environment and a healthy economy that's energy secure through a strong domestic fuel market with low-carbon and renewable energy sources. Michigan Clean Cities implements alternative and renewable fuels, idle reduction measures, fuel economy improvements and emerging transportation technologies for you, your company, and our communities. Activities of Michigan Clean Cities include supporting the <u>Alternative Fuel Station Locator</u> and development of alternative fuel and <u>electric vehicle highway corridors in Michigan.</u> <u>www.cleancities.energy.gov</u>



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