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New York state gets greener - state approves public use of popular GEM electric utility vehicles

Residents and businesses in New York will have a chance to take environmentally-friendly GEM neighborhood electric utility vehicles to the streets thanks to new certification in New York state which allows GEM "trucks" to join other GEM models on public roadways.

While GEM vehicles, manufactured by Global Electric Motorcars, can be seen throughout the state in planned communities, college campuses, and in public parks (including Central Park in New York City), the use of the GEM utility vehicles -- the eS, eL and eL XD models -- was limited to private settings. The new certification will allow the GEM utilities to be registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles for public use on streets posted 35 mph or less.

According to GEM president and Chief Operating Officer Rick Kasper, New York GEM owners have enjoyed the environmental and financial benefit of their vehicles for many years and have expressed a desire to use more GEMs in other ways. The certification of the utility vehicles provides owners with this opportunity. "We expect to see the GEM utility vehicles used for tasks in maintenance, grounds clean up, and hauling, as well as patrolling in places like college campuses, shopping areas, planned communities, and industrial campuses much like we see in other areas of the country," says Kasper.

GEM is celebrating ten years at the forefront of the electric vehicle industry this year. Zero-emission GEM vehicles are street legal in 40 states. More than 35,000 battery-electric vehicles have been manufactured and distributed around the world. Affordable, spacious, and versatile - all GEM vehicles have an on-board charger for easy recharging wherever a standard 110-volt outlet is available.

For more information about GEM vehicles or to locate a dealer, visit www.gemcar.com

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About Global Electric Motorcars:

A Chrysler company, Global Electric Motorcars (GEM) has over 35,000 neighborhood electric vehicles (NEVs) on the road nationwide being used by individuals, master planned communities, university and corporate campuses, and local, state and national government agencies, among others.

Global Electric Motorcars has been manufacturing street-legal NEVs for 10 years. GEM vehicles have many of the same safety features of regular cars (such as three-point seat belts, automotive safety glass, and lights), but are much more economical in price and fuel consumption. Global Electric Motorcars was the first to offer a multipurpose NEV for sale from a major automaker. Today, the company produces six fully electric vehicle models ranging from two-seaters to six-seaters to utility models.

GEM vehicles have driven a combined 150 million miles and spared more than 100 tons of pollutants from reaching the air, while saving 7.5 million gallons of gasoline. GEM vehicles are eligible for incentives and tax credits from clean-air districts and other governmental agencies. For more information, to build your own GEM, or to locate a dealer, visit www.gemcar.com.

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