

Indianapolis Region

Clean-Tech Energy



Bright Automotive

April 2010 - Anderson, Ind.-based startup Bright Automotive earns contract to electrify United States Postal Service vehicles. Bright will retrofit a standard USPS Long Life Vehicle (LLV) with an electric drive train. The makeover will result in a fully electric delivery truck that uses no gasoline—a stark contrast to the LLVs the USPS has been using for decades, which have an average fuel economy of only 10 miles per gallon. Bright is partnering with Detroit automotive supplier EDAG, another recipient of the contract, which will complete the heavy metal fabrication for the conversion.

After Bright completes work on the postal vehicle in July, it will be used in "real world" service in the Washington, D.C. area for at least one year.

At its headquarters in Anderson, Bright is currently developing the IDEA, a light commercial plug-in hybrid electric vehicle for commercial and government fleets. Scheduled for production in 2013, company leaders say Indiana is on the "short list" of locations for the manufacturing site for the IDEA.

Indianapolis Power and Light Voluntary FiT

March 2010 – Indianapolis Power and Light announced a Renewable Energy Production Tariff that includes Solar PV, wind, and biomass technologies. The program is capped at 1% of IPL's retail sales and requires 50 KW minimum for wind and 20 KW minimum for Solar PV. Project sizes are capped at 10 MW.

EnerDel

January 2010 - Lithium-ion battery maker EnerDel will locate its newest manufacturing operation in Hancock County, Indiana and create 500 more jobs, bringing the company to a total of 1,400 in three locations within the Indianapolis Region. The developer of lithium-ion batteries for hybrid, plug-in electric and electric vehicles will invest \$237 million to lease and equip a more than 200,000 sq. ft. facility.

EnerDel plans to begin hiring additional engineers, production associates and administrative staff in the next couple of months as the new facility is readied for production.

The Indiana Economic Development Corporation offered EnerDel up to \$21.1 million in performance-based tax credits and up to \$200,000 in training grants based on the company's job creation plans. Hancock County will consider additional property tax abatement and other incentives totaling approximately \$30 million.



EnerDel is owned by Ener1, Inc., (Nasdaq: HEV), which also has ownership stake in THINK, a Norwegian electric car manufacturer which announced earlier this month that it will locate its North American production facility in Elkhart, Ind. creating more than 400 jobs by 2013.

Delphi

December 2009 – Delphi Corporation announced its plans to expand its technical base and establish a new production facility. The company will invest more than \$59 million to lease and equip a 90,000sf facility in Kokomo for the manufacturing of electronics products for the emerging electric drive vehicle market. Delphi, which employs approximately 1,400 at its Electronics & Safety division in Kokomo, said hiring will begin in 2010 as the new product line is developed.

DOE Funding

August 2009 – President Obama visited Indiana on August 5 to announce \$2.4 billion in high-tech federal grants - \$400 million of which is going to six different Indiana companies. Three of these grant recipients are located in the Indianapolis Region. Indiana is a leader in hybrid-electric cars, lithium-ion batteries and other components for electric cars and "heavy hybrid" work vehicles.

The 10-county Indianapolis Region includes Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Johnson, Madison, Marion, Monroe, Morgan and Shelby counties.

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