



# South Carolina Electric Transportation Network August Newsletter

## In the News

The State: In electric vehicle hotspot, SC's McMaster defends market for cars that Trump questioned "With the automotive industry moving toward electric vehicles, South Carolina is trying to encourage manufacturers to set up shop in the state – and it's working...McMaster pointed to the 'one-stop-shop' electric vehicle manufacturers have in South Carolina to help them navigate available resources," writes Joseph Bustos of The State.

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ABC Columbia: Charging stations and battery production – USC professor discusses future of electric vehicles

"In July, seven automakers (BMW, GM, Honda, Hyundai, Kia, Mercedes, and Stellantis) pledged over \$1 billion to create 30,000 more electric vehicle charging stations across North America – which officials say could double the approximate 900 charging ports currently available across South Carolina. Professor Bill Mustain, Associate Dean for Research in Chemical Engineering at the University of South Carolina, and his team work on ways to boost overall EV performance," writes Lee Williams of ABC Columbia.

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## Resources

EVolve Grant Program

Santee Cooper's EVolve Grant Program is here to help you take charge of your electric vehicle project. The EVolve Grant Program allows eligible commercial customers to apply for up to \$25,000 in grant funding to help you get started on your EV journey. A competitive scoring process will help Santee Cooper choose the top projects to receive funding.

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## Questions?

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