

CITY OF CYPRESS **PRESS RELEASE**

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SUBJECT: “i” Like Cypress



(Left: Pictured from left: Mr. Katsuya Takamiya, Mitsubishi Electric & Electronics, USA; Mr. Yoichi Yokozawa, Mitsubishi Motors North America; Dr. Prakash Narain, Council Member; Mr. Todd Seymore, Mayor Pro Tem; Mr. Douglas A. Bailey, Council Member; Mr. Jun Nagasawa, Mitsubishi Electric & Electronics)

(Right: Mayor Pro Tem Todd Seymore and Council Member Dr. Prakash Narain looking over a MiEV vehicle)

Mitsubishi Motors North America and Mitsubishi Electric & Electronic, USA debuted their new state of the art solar-powered charging station on Thursday, July 7, 2011 during the company’s National Media Event held at the Mitsubishi headquarters at 6400 Katella Avenue.

Cypress is the “Beta Site” for the entire Orange County area having the first solar powered charging station for Mitsubishi’s 100% electric vehicle – the Mitsubishi i. Partners in this effort included Eaton Corporation, Rogers Electric, and California Green Designs.

“Last year I had the opportunity to test drive the Mitsubishi i and I was extremely impressed with its power, handling, and spaciousness. Based on my test drive I

suggested that the City consider adding the i to its fleet of City vehicles”, said Council Member Douglas Bailey.

“The City of Cypress is fortunate to have companies like Mitsubishi Motors North America and Mitsubishi Electric and Electronics as integral members of our local business community. Once again Cypress-based companies are setting the pace for others to follow,” continued Councilmember Bailey.

Recently the Cypress Public Works Superintendent test drove the pure electric vehicle for several weeks and evaluated the efficiency, versatility, and practicality of the vehicle. The City of Cypress plans to add between 2 to 3 i’s to its fleet, and also 2 to 3 charging stations!

For additional information regarding the BRACE program and other City services for the business community, or for information on how to relocate your business to the City of Cypress, please contact Redevelopment/Economic Development Manager, Bill Manis at (714) 229-6671.

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