

**ML 18086 LOS ANGELES CURBSIDE CHARGING PROGRAM**

BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING

May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Prepared for the Mobile Source Air Pollution Review Committee (MSRC) under the AB 2766 Discretionary Fund Work Program.

## **Acknowledgements**

The Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL), City of Los Angeles designed plans, procured the equipment, and installed all of the 60 curbside Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (EVCS) covered by this report. In the future, city forces will also be maintaining and upgrading this equipment as needed to optimize public charging facilities.

This report was submitted in the fulfillment of ML 18086 and Los Angeles Curbside Charging Program by Bureau of Street Lighting City of Los Angeles under the partial sponsorship of the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) Work was completed as of September 2018.

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## **Project Description & Work Performed**

Sixty level II smart electric vehicle charging stations were installed throughout the City of Los Angeles. This was made possible by the BSL's previous LED Conversion project. The conversion from high intensity discharge lighting to LED reduced the electrical lighting load to such an extent that level II EVCS can be added to certain existing electrical infrastructure without overloading the circuitry. The stations are attached to existing street light poles and connected electrically to the street lighting circuit. Street light poles are located two feet from the curb providing convenient access for electric vehicle car drivers to charge their cars while parked at the curb.

The first phase of this project consisted of an evaluation of available equipment to ascertain the most suitable chargers for the public right-of-way. This environment requires simplicity in operation and vandalism resistance. Cost comparisons were made as part of the selection process. Once the most appropriate devices were identified detailed plans were drafted taking into consideration pole location, parking suitability, disability access, pole structural and design characteristics. Circuit loading and voltage drop was calculated to insure electrical integrity. These plans were then forwarded to our utility for their approval. Because this equipment is installed in the public right-of-way considerable design effort has gone into vandalism mitigation. The installation of these chargers included securing the new charger to the pole and making the electrical connections. Proper commissioning and activation is critical as each charger has a modem that reports "in use", energy (kWh) dispensed and other real time operational details. Signage that includes instructions and a help line phone number is also an element of this work. Each charger has its own branch circuit and is fused in the adjacent pullbox providing instantaneous disconnection in the event of electrical problems.

### **Problems encountered**

The challenges encountered during this initial phase were primarily due to the fact that BSL is one of the first major cities to install a large number of EVCS in the public right-of-way on streetlight poles. Currently most EVCS are located on private property, either in parking lots, parking garages or personal residences. Rarely are they installed at locations where the general public has 24-hr access to them. This aspect of the project caused several issues that needed to be addressed:

- how to mount the EVCS onto an existing energized structure.
- how to select the proper location for an EVCS
- how to properly connect each EVCS to the internet
- how to protect the EVCS from vandalism (by far the most problematic issue)

As a result of close cooperation between the engineering staff, maintenance crews and manufacturers these issues have been addressed. From requiring sturdier enclosures to creating criteria for site selection to mounting the EVCS 9 ft above the sidewalk, novel ideas and processes have been proposed and implemented to resolve the challenges. We anticipate mitigations and design improvements will continue well into the future.

### **Emissions Benefits**

The program's success is evident by the feedback we have received from EV drivers and the amount of energy we have dispensed. The continuing and increasing need for public charging is indisputable. The City of Los Angeles has a population of 4 million and has made great strides in improving air quality since 1970 but is cognizant of the fact that a key solution is a transition to low and zero emission vehicles. The number one concern for a prospective electric vehicle owner is access to charge stations either at their residence or on the go. Until this impediment is mitigated resistance to EV technology may continue. This project and subsequent ones like it will help address electric vehicle owner concerns and needs. Providing convenient charging opportunities for electric vehicle drivers is critical to electric vehicle acceptance by the public. In the period 7/2/2018 to 5/1/19 our charging program has dispensed 130 mWh of electricity to charging vehicles.

### **Photographs & Outreach**

The Bureau of Street Lighting added a page to its official website dedicated to promoting MSRC's co-funding of the EV charging stations. A screen shot and link is attached.

## **Summary and Conclusions**

This project installed 60 smart electric vehicle charging stations and became part of the BSL broader program that will continue to install curbside charging stations throughout the City of Los Angeles. This was made possible by the BSL LED Conversion project, which has reduced the electrical lighting load to such an extent that level 2 Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (EVCS) can be added to the existing electrical circuit infrastructure. The Stations are attached to existing street light poles and connected electrically to the street lighting circuitry. Street Light poles are located two feet from the curb, providing convenient access for electric vehicle car drivers to charge their cars while parked at the curb.

The success of this program is evident by the feedback we have received from EV drivers and the amount of energy we have dispensed. So far, 130MWh has been dispensed this fiscal year (7/2/2018 to 5/1/2019) by the Bureau of Street Lighting EV charging program. The environmental impact of this is equivalent to the reduction of 91.9 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions or planting 1,520 trees. The continued success of this program and its benefits to the environment are dependent on the population's willingness to transition to zero emission vehicles. The City of Los Angeles has a population of 4 million and has made great strides in improving air quality since 1970. The number one concern for prospective electric vehicle owners is access to chargers either at their residence or on the go. The continuing and increasing need for public charging is indisputable. Until this impediment is mitigated resistance to EV technology may continue. This project and subsequent ones like it will help address electric vehicle owner concerns and needs.

The Bureau of Street Lighting EV charger program strives to improve each year. Our smart chargers will be constantly monitored and the data collected will help with subsequent plan design, equipment selection, and placement of curbside chargers. It is understood that charging equipment installed in the public right-of-way will always be under threat of vandalism or malicious use. Our experience will aid in collaborating with manufacturers to design robust and intuitive chargers that will improve the EV driving experience.



## BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING

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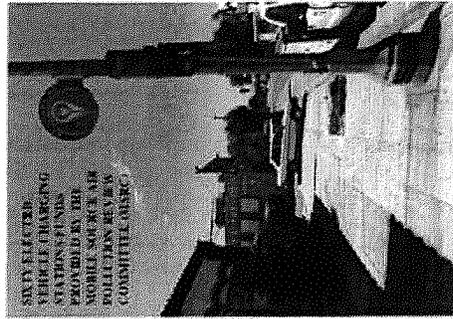
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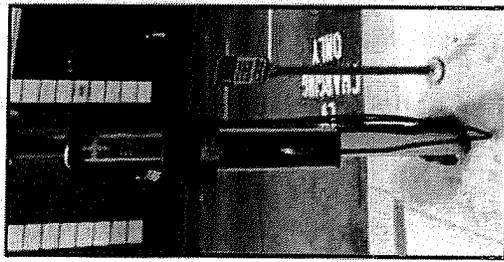


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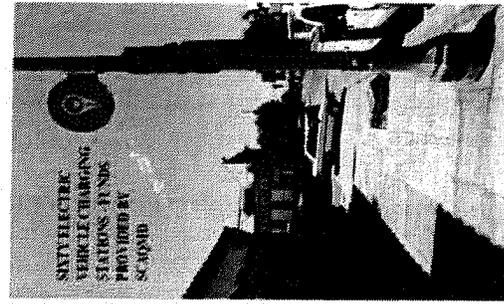
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**SIXTYTHREE VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS - 11 HRS PROVIDED BY SCAGHD**

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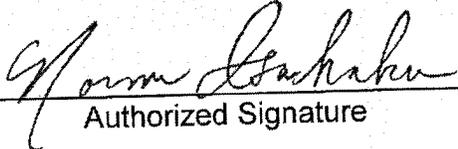
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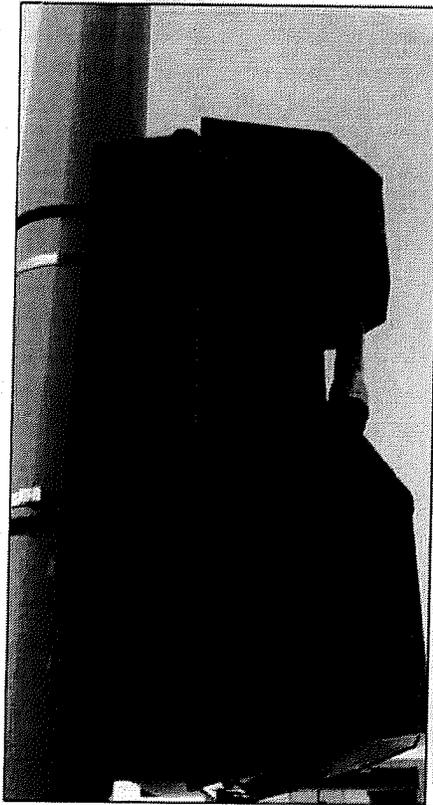
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Installation Plan: EVC89

Location: Sunset Blvd between Allison Ave & Douglas St

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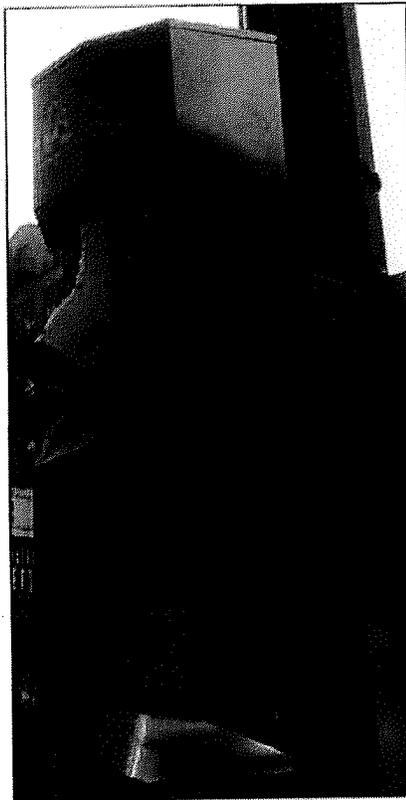


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Installation Plan: EVC113

Location: Avenue 60 between Figueroa St and Echo St

Serial Number: C201180030

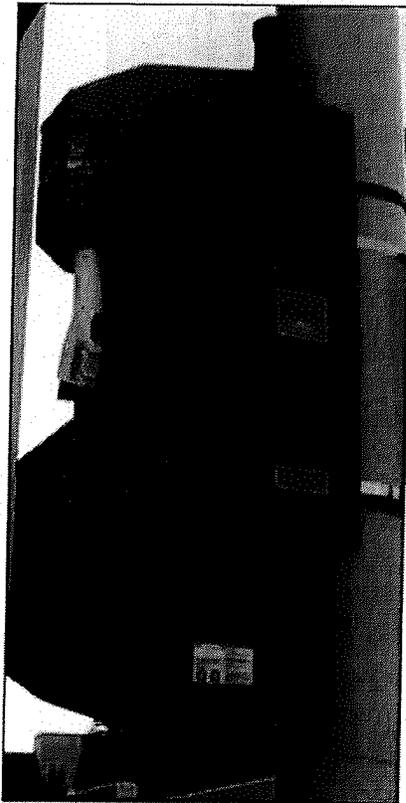


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Installation Plan: EVC111

Location: Laurel Canyon Blvd between Chandler Blvd and Weddington St

Serial Number: C201180009

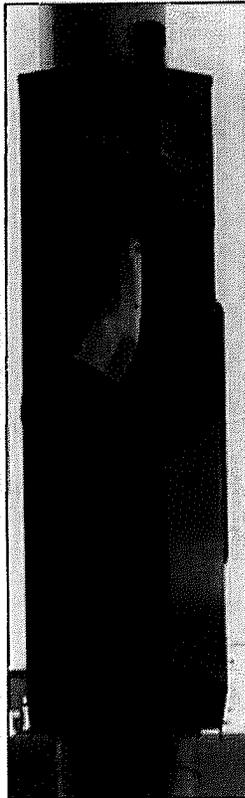


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC116

Location: Winnetka Ave between Leadwell St and Sherman Way

Serial Number: C136180010



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC133

Location: Ventura Blvd between Winnetka Ave and Del Moreno Dr

Serial Number: C201180006

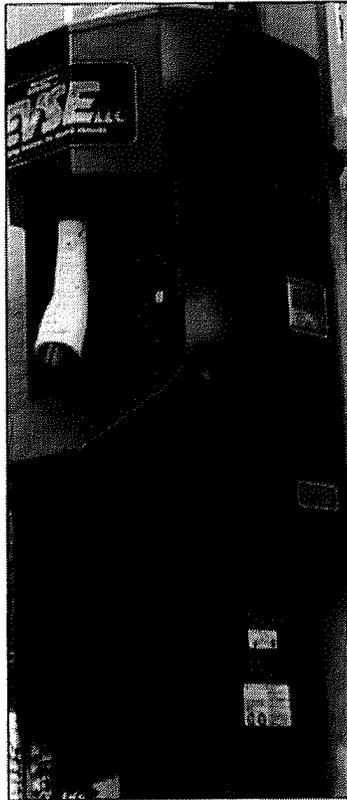


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Installation Plan: EVC140

Location: Sherman Way between Rhea Ave and Yolanda Ave

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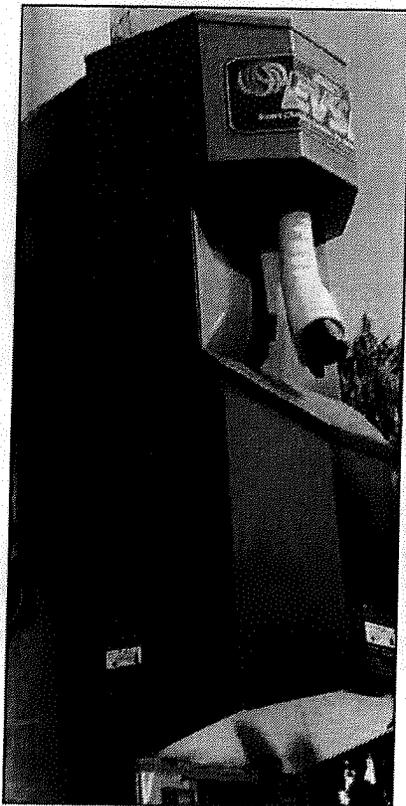


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Installation Plan: EVC119

Location: Victory Blvd between Tampa Ave and Vanalden Ave

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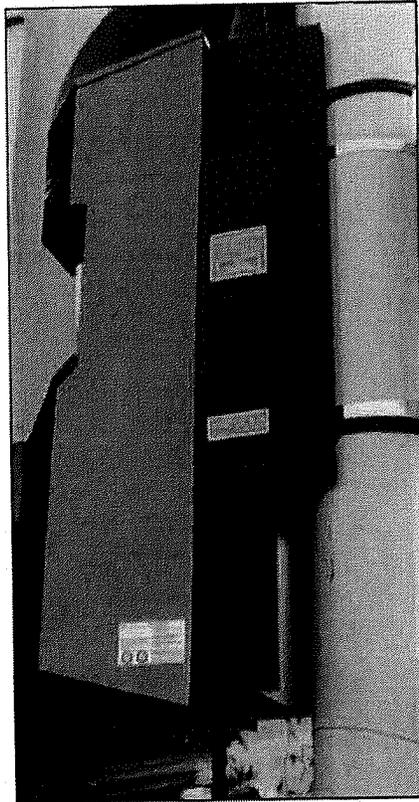


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Installation Plan: EVC132

Location: Gardner St between Blackburn ave and Colgate ave

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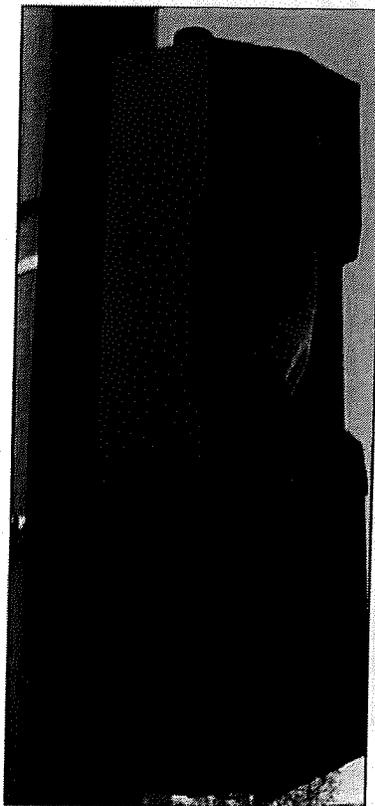


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Location: Nordhoff St between Wakefield Ave and Van Nuys Blvd

Serial Number: C20118004

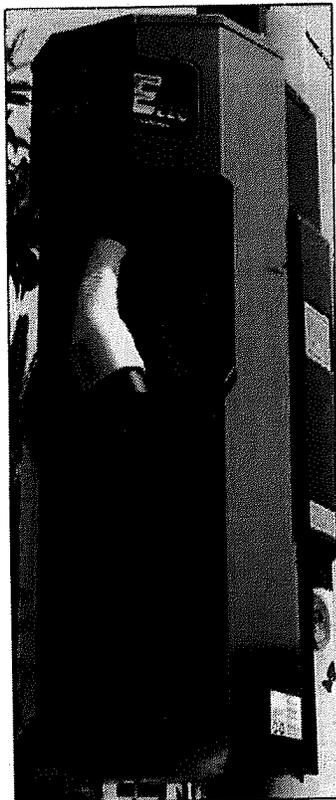


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Installation Plan: EVC131

Location: Victory Blvd between Balboa Blvd and Forbes Ave

Serial Number: C136180005

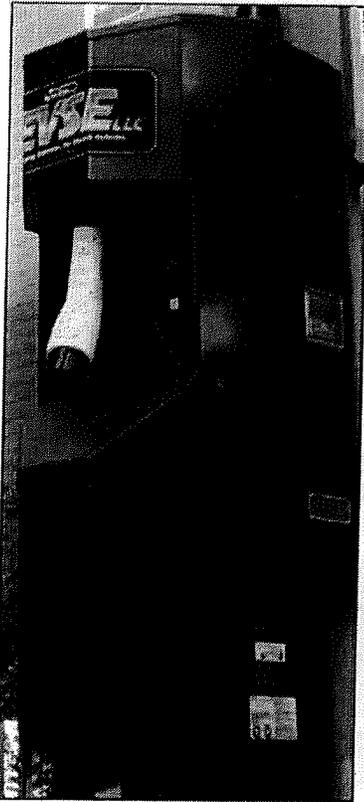


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Installation Plan: EVC102

Location: Foothill Blvd between Mcvine Ave and Nassau Ave

Serial Number: C201180017



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC125

Location: Langdon Ave between Devonshire St and Marklein Ave

Serial Number: C201180005

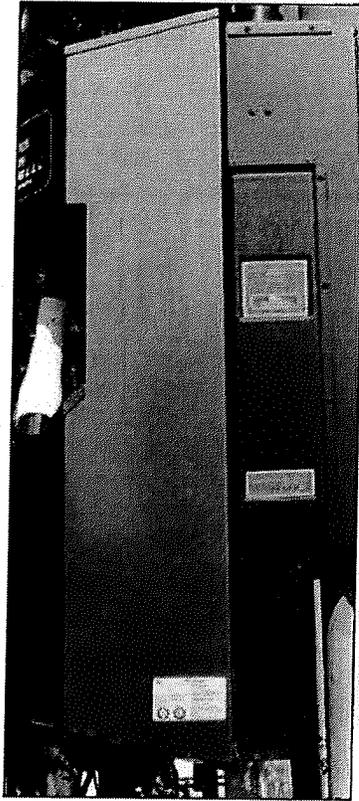


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC118

Location: Foothill Blvd between Marnice Ave and Tujunga Canyon Blvd

Serial Number: C201180016



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC142

Location: San Fernando Mission Blvd between Marklen ave and Sepulveda Blvd

Serial Number: C201180001

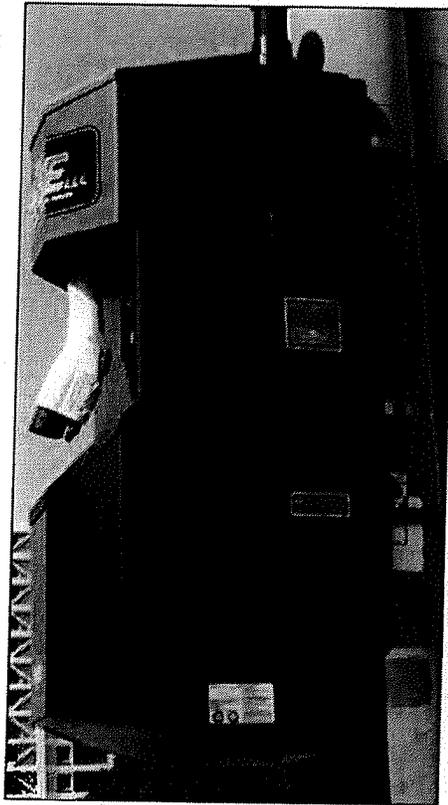


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Installation Plan: EVC128

Location: Sepulveda Blvd between San Jose St and Chatsworth St

Serial Number: C136180020

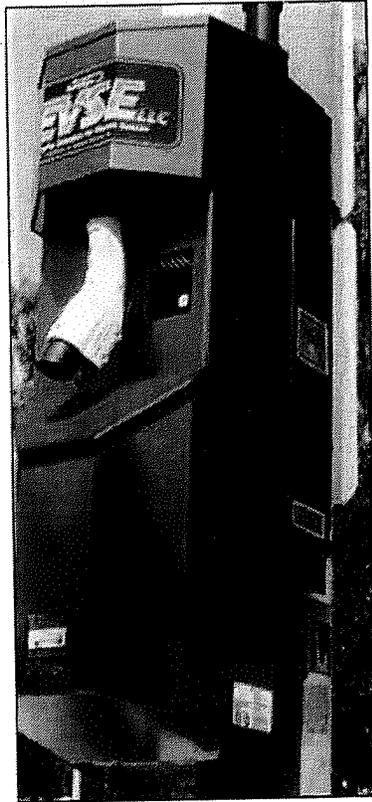


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC129

Location: Van Nuys Blvd between Amboy ave and O'melveny ave

Serial Number: C2011180024



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC136

Location: Encinitas Ave between Larkspur St and Roxford St

Serial Number: C201180015



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC88

Location: 37<sup>th</sup> St between Hope St and Grand ave

Serial Number: C136180018



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC107

Location: McClintock Ave between Jefferson Blvd and 30<sup>th</sup> St

Serial Number: C136180013

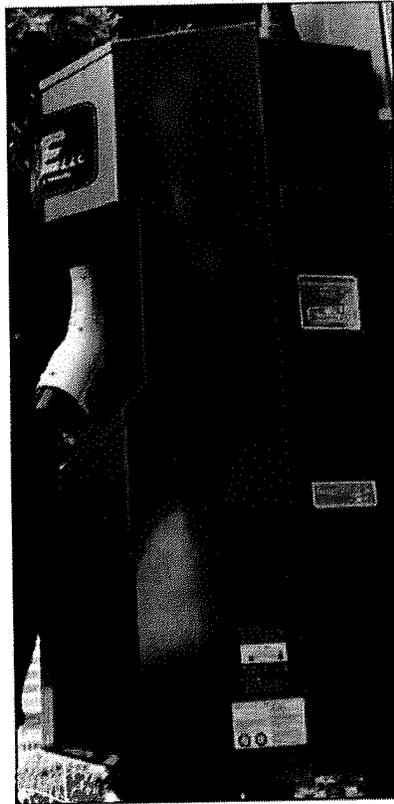


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Installation Plan: EVC106

Location: La cienega Blvd between Airdrome St and 18<sup>th</sup> St

Serial Number: C201180018

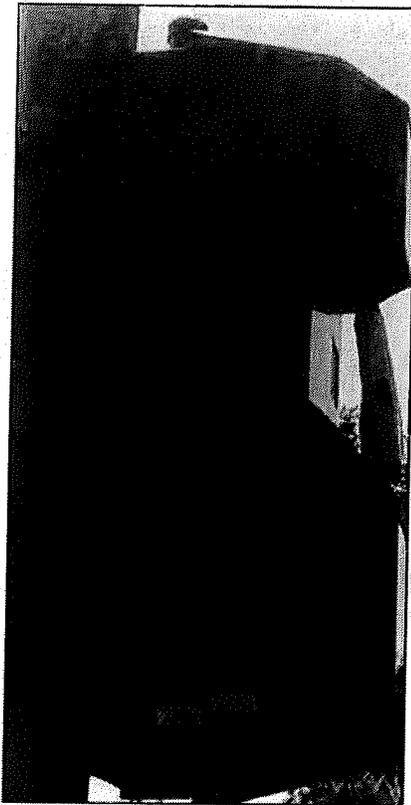


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Installation Plan: EVC112

Location: Vermont Ave between Wilshire Blvd and 7<sup>th</sup> St

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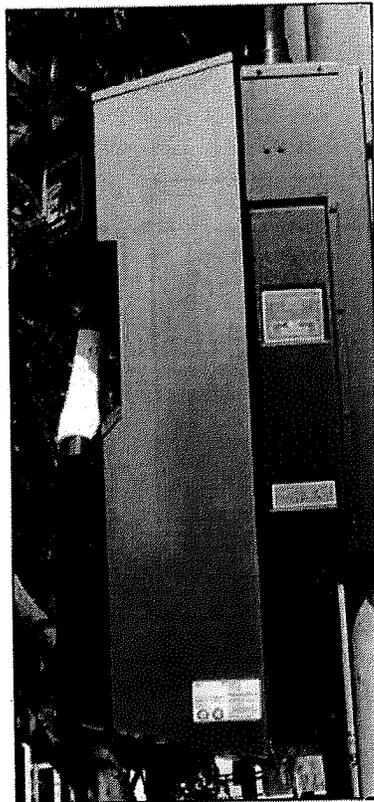


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Location: Leimert Blvd between Stocker St and 43<sup>rd</sup> St

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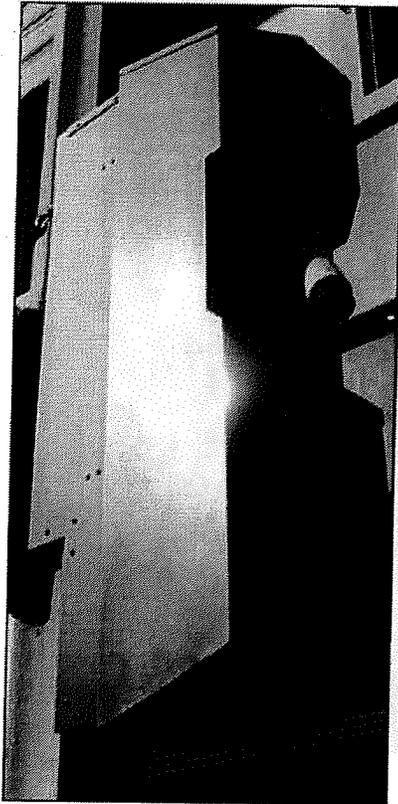


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC114

Location: Central Ave between 109<sup>th</sup> St and Lanzit Ave

Serial Number: C201180007



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC108

Location: Lankershim Blvd between Whipple St and Valley Spring Lane

Serial Number: C136180007



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC109

Location: Lankershim Blvd between Kling St and Hortense St

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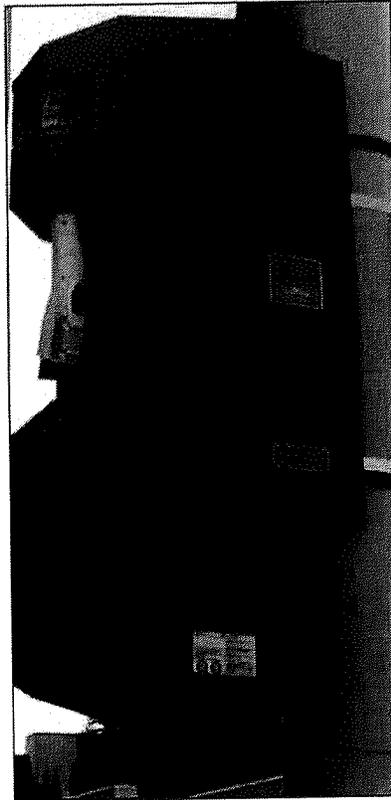


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Installation Plan: EVC110

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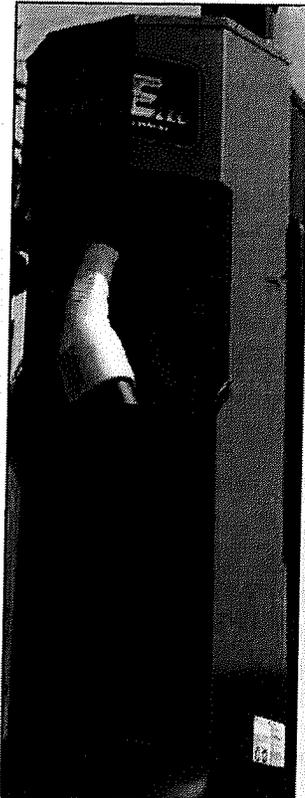


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC141

Location: Vanowen St between Canby and Darby

Serial Number: C201180002



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC85

Location: Highland ave between De Longpre ave and Fountain Ave

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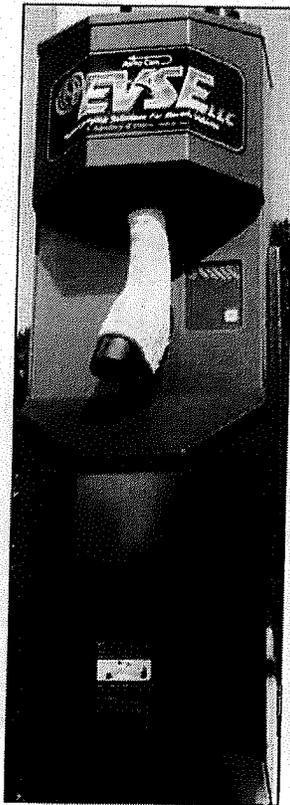


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Installation Plan: EVC91

Location: Sunset Blvd between Stanley Ave and Courtney Ave

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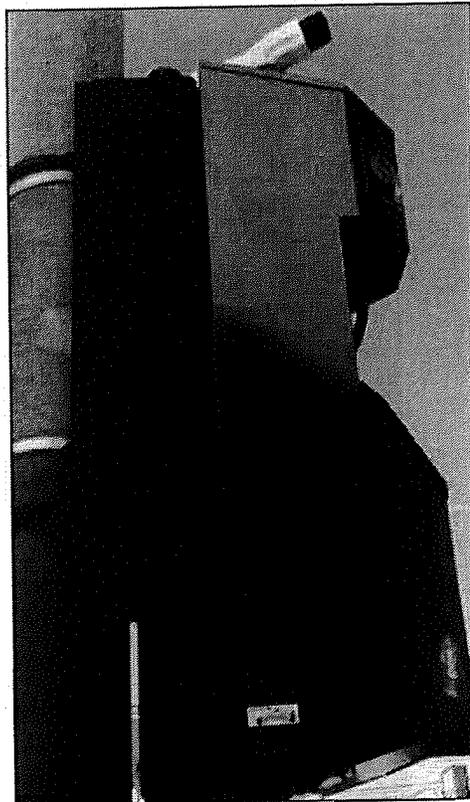


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Installation Plan: EVC92

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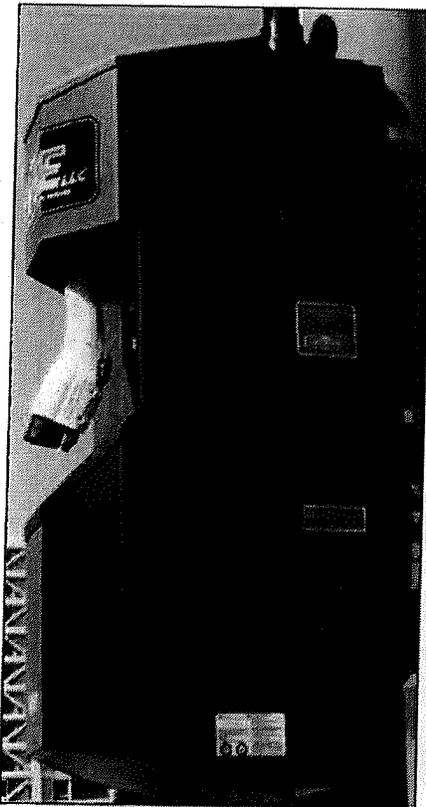


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC93

Location: Kester Ave between Ventura Blvd and Moorpark St

Serial Number: C201180019



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Installation Plan: EVC98

Location: Van Nuys Blvd between Addison St and Huston St

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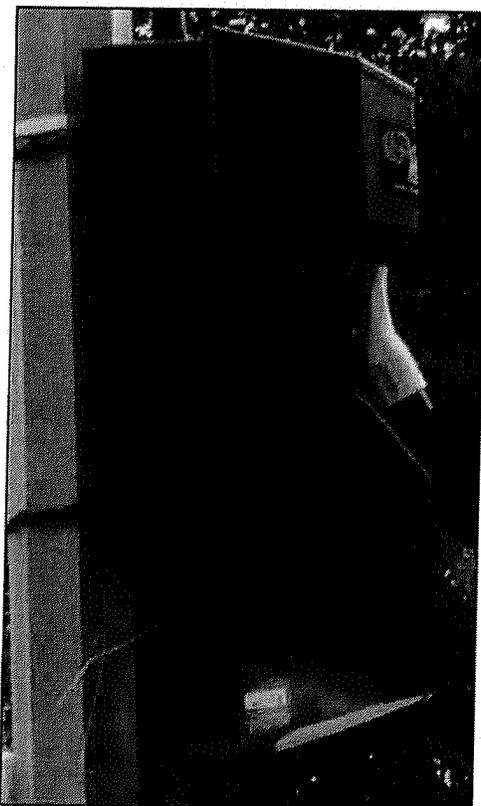


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC103

Location: Westwood Blvd between Ohio Ave and Holman Ave

Serial Number: C136180011



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC130

Location: Santa Monica Blvd between Greenfield ave and Veteran ave

Serial Number: C136180016

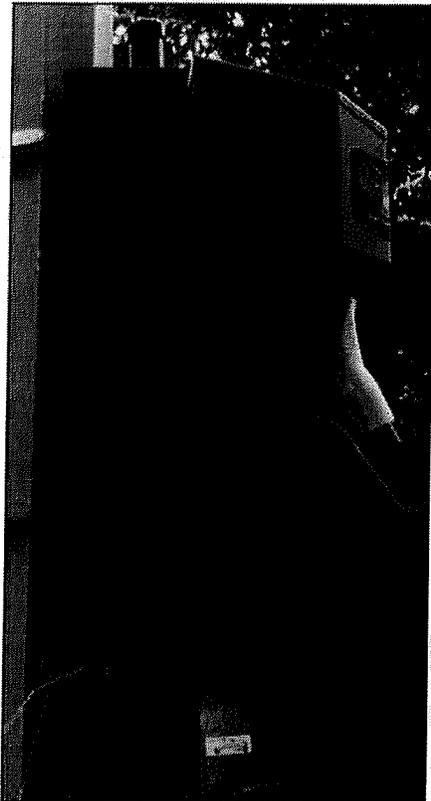


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Installation Plan: EVC105

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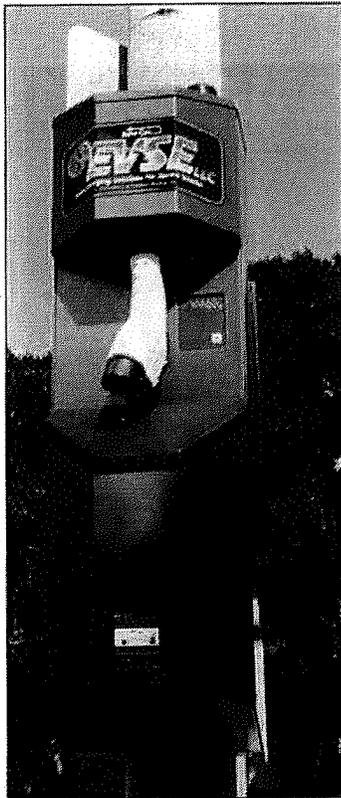


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Installation Plan: EVC134

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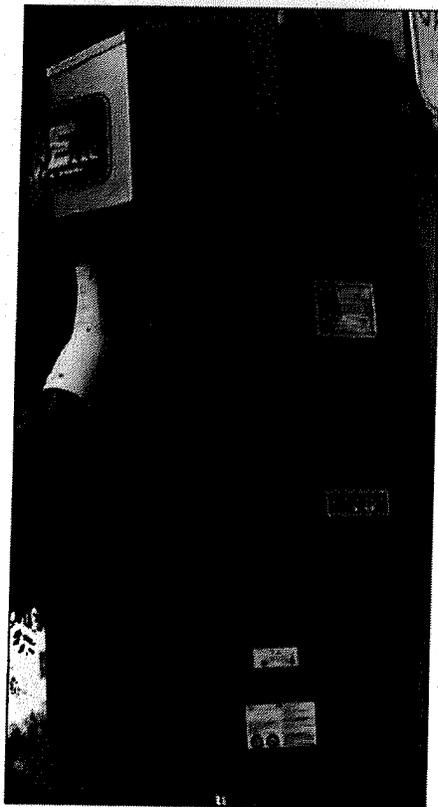


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC135

Location: Laurel Canyon Blvd between Osborne St and Montague St

Serial Number: C136180006



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC87

Location: Figueroa St between 28<sup>th</sup> St and 27<sup>th</sup> St

Serial Number: C136180009

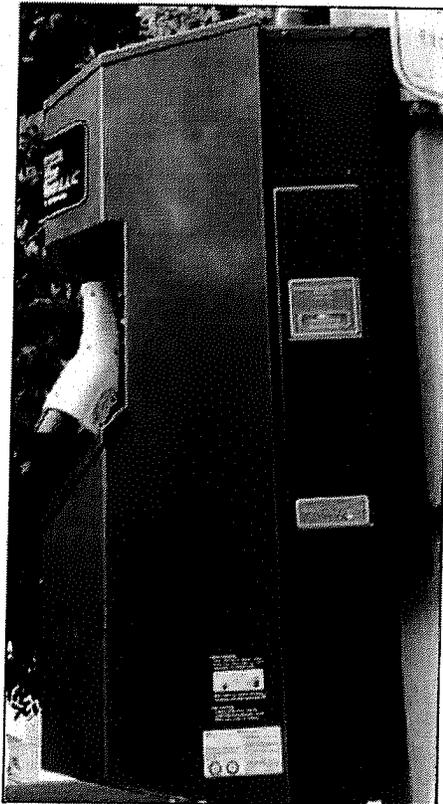


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC83

Location: Western Ave between Beverly Blvd and Council St

Serial Number: C136180019

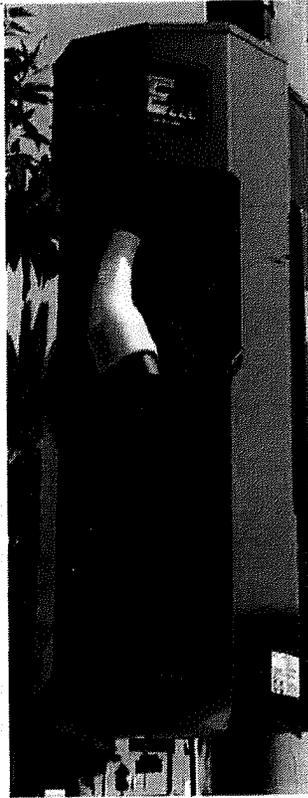


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Installation Plan: EVC97

Location: Santa Monica Blvd between Armacost Ave and Brockton Ave

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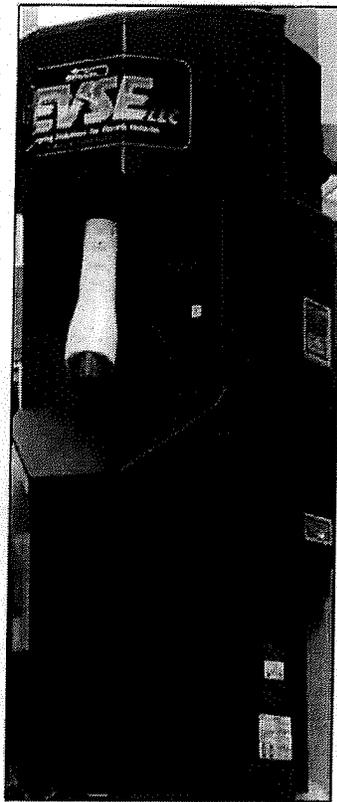


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC124

Location: Sawtelle Blvd between Olympic Blvd and Tennessee Ave

Serial Number: C201180023



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC84

Location: Sunset Blvd between La Brea Ave and Orange Dr

Serial Number: C136180001



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC101

Location: Sunset Blvd between Seward St and Cherokee Ave

Serial Number: C201180028

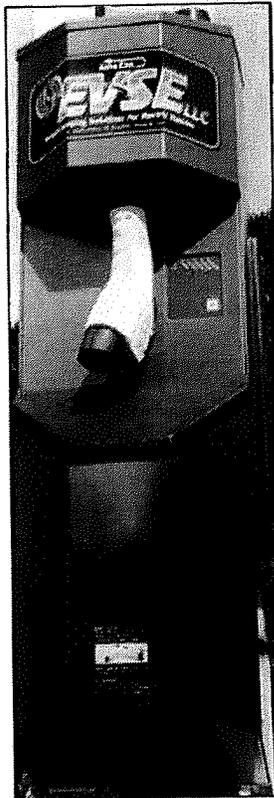


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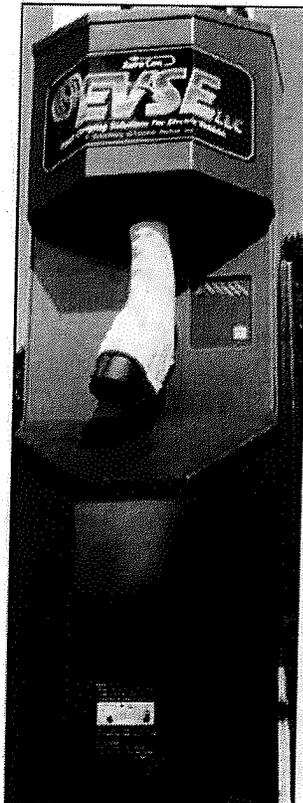


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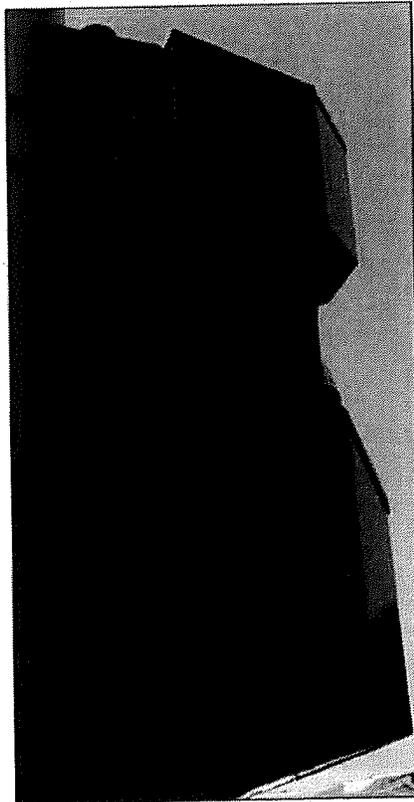


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Installation Plan: EVC94

Location: 1<sup>st</sup> St between Hope St and Grand Ave

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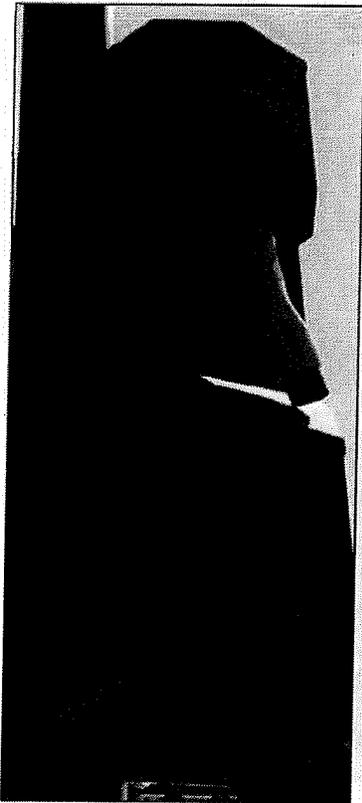


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Installation Plan: EVC95

Location: 8<sup>th</sup> St between Los Angeles and Main St

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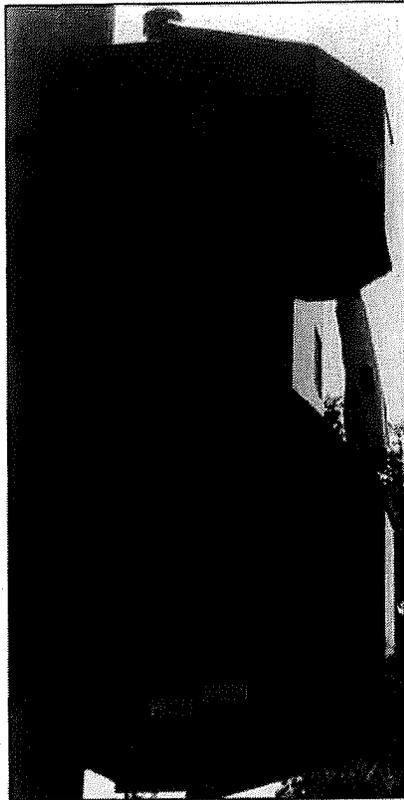


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Location: Flower St between 9<sup>th</sup> St and Olympic Blvd

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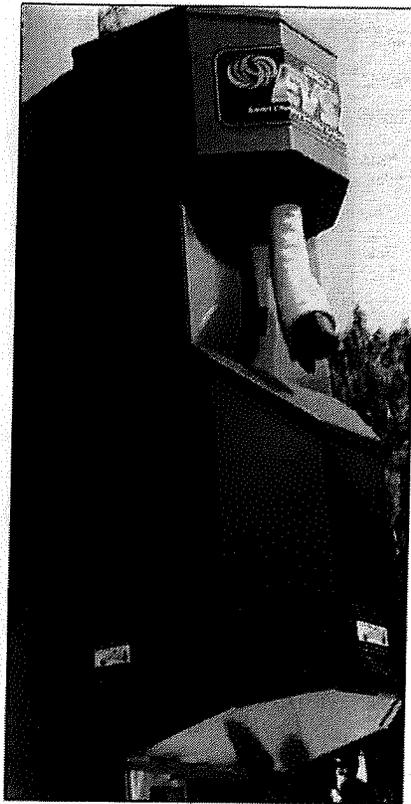


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Installation Plan: EVCR-0064

Location: Hill St between Pico Blvd and 12<sup>th</sup> St

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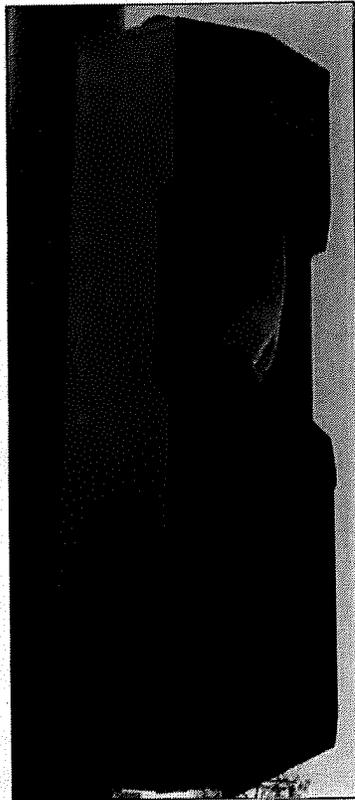


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVCR-0058

Location: 27<sup>th</sup> St between Figueroa St and S Flower St

Serial Number: C003180083



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC56

Location: South side of Mission Rd ., 5th light north of N Main St

Serial Number: C190160040



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC51

Location: East side of Beaudry Ave., 3rd light north of 1st St.

Serial Number: C190160060

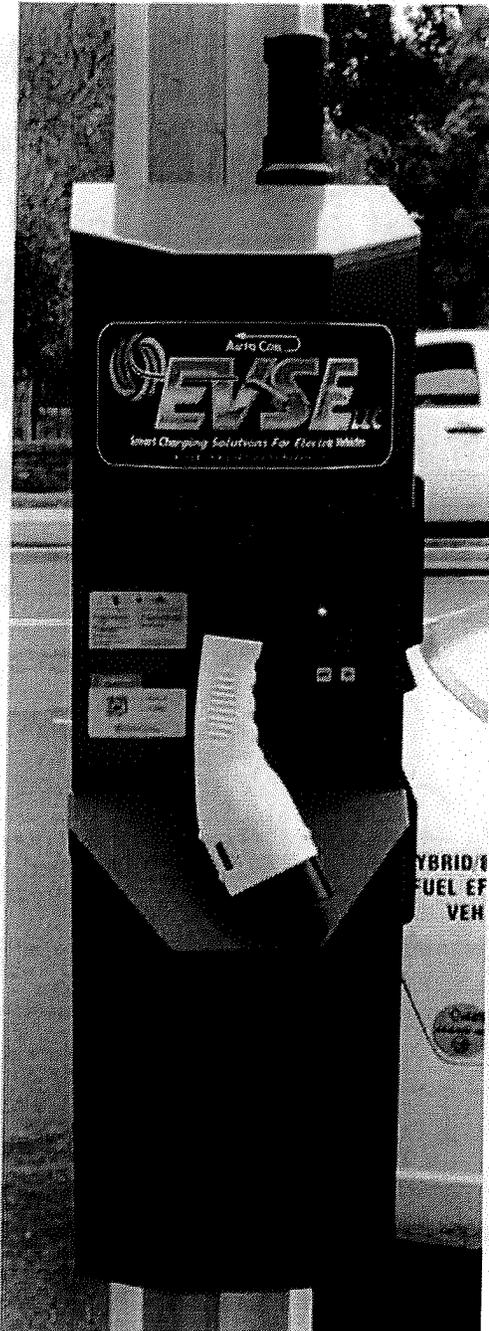


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC54

Location: East Side of Lankershim, 1st light north of Hamlin St

Serial Number: C190160014



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC55

Location: West Side of Vineland Ave, 1st light north of Vicland Pl

Serial Number: C190160010



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC78

Location: North Side of Vanowen St, 1st light east of Rhodes Ave

Serial Number: C103160041

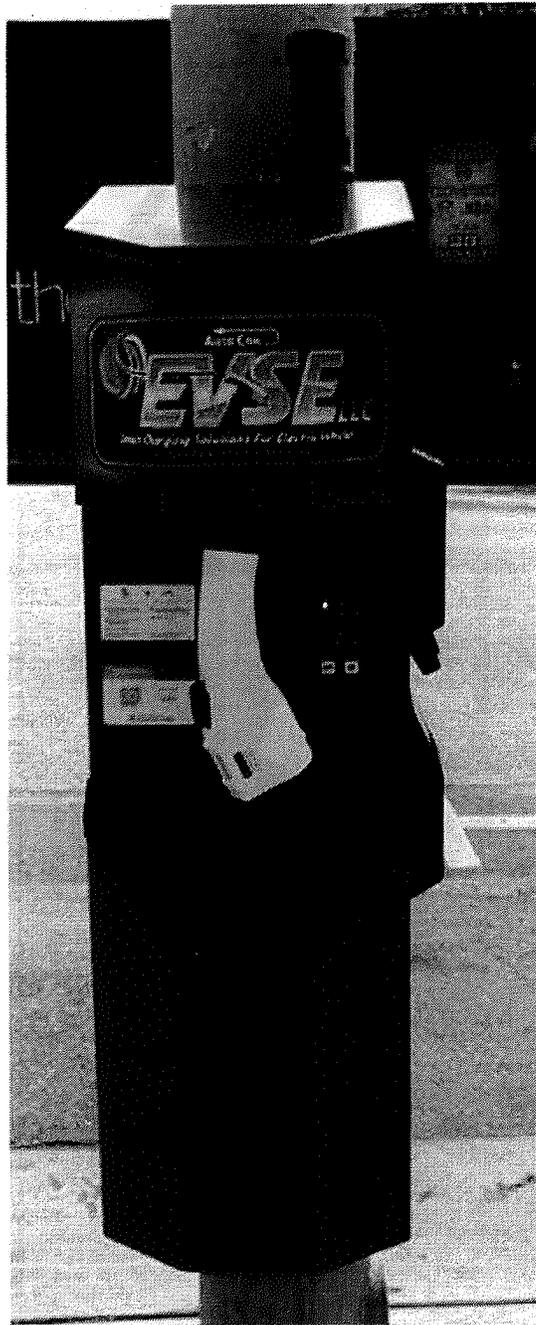


**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC79

Location: South Side of Lankershim, 4th light west of Oxnard

Serial Number: C103160049



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC66

Location: South Side of Roscoe Blvd, 5th light west of Winnetka Ave

Serial Number: C190160005



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC60

Location: West side of Wilton Pl, 1st light south of San Marino st

Serial Number: C190160041



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC69

Location: East side of Sepulveda Blvd., 1st light south of Charnock Rd.

Serial Number: C190160025



**CMI EV Charger**

Installation Plan: EVC71

Location: West side of Sepulveda Blvd., 3rd light north of Queensland St.

Serial Number: C190160021

