

## **GREEN COMPANY STILL A DRIVING FORCE AFTER 20 YEARS**

Canadian Electric Vehicles (CEV) is celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an innovative green business success story!

For 20 years CEV has been designing and manufacturing electric vehicles and components in its plant in British Columbia. CEV is a local success story as an employer and corporate citizen, but with a far-reaching client base that includes provincial and federal governments, and private individual and corporate clients in 8 countries.

During a time when many businesses have become obsolete or struggling to survive, CEV is poised for a bright future as a continuing innovator in green vehicle technology.

There are more than 250 CEV vehicles in service, ranging in size from two thousand pound Neighborhood Electric Vehicle (NEV) to three ton aircraft refueling trucks. The primary CEV product is the Might-E Truck, a custom heavy duty NEV manufactured in Canada from the ground up using North American auto parts. Might-E trucks are in operation at universities, resorts, government sites, industries, parks, municipalities and private companies. With a driving range of up to 90km, these electric trucks work well as downtown maintenance trucks or in specialized applications such as garbage pickup or catering vans.

With their commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions CEV continues to provide the designs, parts and technical support required to convert conventional internal combustion vehicles to zero emission battery powered electric vehicles.

But CEV is not content to rest on its laurels. Owner Randy Holmquist, with his staff of technicians and engineers, continues to offer contract research and development services for the design and prototyping of electric vehicles for wide-ranging industrial applications.

CEV's commitment to the environment reaches far beyond the products it designs and creates. "At CEV, we believe in the importance of leading by example", says Holmquist, "and we continue to take steps to reduce the carbon footprint of our operations". This includes heating with recycled waste vegetable oil; obtaining non potable water from rain water; operating the office and parts building by solar power; installing large skylights in the office to eliminate electric light use for most of the year; using a pure electric company car for all trips under 100km; and running their delivery truck on recycled waste vegetable oil.

CEV is a green company in both product and practice, a company that is successful not in spite of being green, but because of it.

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