

Simon Opening NRG EVgo Electric Vehicle Charging Stations At Four Of Western Washington's Premier Shopping Destinations

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New fast charging Freedom Station® sites at Northgate Mall, Tacoma Mall, Seattle Premium Outlets, and North Bend Premium Outlets

SEATTLE, May 27, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Electric Vehicle (EV) drivers are now able to plug in and charge their cars while they shop or grab a bite at four of Western Washington's premier retail destinations. Simon, a leading global retail real estate company, and NRG EVgo (ee-vee-go), announce today the installation of new electric car fast-charging Freedom Station® sites that can recharge shoppers' vehicles in 30 minutes or less at four Western Washington Simon shopping centers: Northgate Mall, Tacoma Mall, Seattle Premium Outlets and North Bend Premium Outlets.



"Simon is committed to providing sustainable amenities for our customers and the opening of multiple EV charging stations is a great example of that," said Mona Benisi, Senior Director of Sustainability for Simon. "The locations of our shopping centers across the U.S. mean that Simon is ideally positioned to contribute to the development of a national infrastructure for electric vehicle charging stations, and also advances the company's sustainability efforts."

Tacoma Mall's EV stations are now open, and located in the parking lot between Forever 21 and Nordstrom.

Seattle Premium Outlet's new EV stations and Freedom Station are also open and located on the ground level of the south side of the center's parking garage.

The EV charging stations at North Bend Premium Outlets are expected to open in late May, and will be located in the parking lot near GAP Outlet.

Northgate Mall's EV charging stations including one Freedom Station will be installed near Nordstrom Rack and will be available for use later this spring.

"EVgo charging stations provide the confidence Seattle-area drivers need to purchase an EV and discover an incredible new driving experience," said Terry O'Day, Vice President of Business Development at NRG EVgo. "By adding to our network of charging stations in the Great Northwest, EV drivers today have more freedom than ever, whether running errands or on longer adventures."

The EVgo Freedom Station sites are designed to support both current and future charging technology, by serving Western Washington EV drivers' on-the-go charging needs regardless of what kind of electric vehicle they drive. The stations currently support CHAdeMO direct current (DC) fast charging, as well as standard alternating current (AC) J1772 Level 2 EV charging and can be upgraded with an SAE Combo charger as more EVs with that charging standard become available.

About Northgate Mall

More Choices. More Stores. Northgate Mall has over 130 stores to help you find just what you are looking for. Northgate Mall also has 12 full service restaurants and over 12 quick bite stops to complement your shopping experience. Visit them online at www.shopporthgatemall.com. To keep up with the latest trends, sales, events and more, find Northgate Mall on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NorthgateMallSeattle, on Twitter at @NorthgateMall www.twitter.com/NorthgateMall, and Instagram at www.instagram.com/northgatemall.

About Tacoma Mall

Among the 150 stores and restaurants at Tacoma Mall, this indoor mall features Nordstrom, H&M, Apple, Express and Build-A-Bear. Tacoma Mall serves the nearby communities of University Place, Gig Harbor, Lakewood, Puyallup, Joint Base Lewis- McChord and Tacoma. Tacoma Mall has exciting dining options from sit down places such as BJ's Brewhouse to grab and go options such as Chipotle Mexican grill. With over 150 stores ranging from women's apparel, children's fashion and home electronics, Tacoma Mall is the premier shopping destination in Pierce County. Tacoma Mall is conveniently located parallel to I-5 on the west side between 38th Street and 56th Street exits in Tacoma. From the entire team at Tacoma Mall, we hope you will visit us soon! To stay updated on the latest sales, events and news about the property, check out Tacoma Mall on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TacomaMall, on Twitter @TacomaMall or www.twitter.com/TacomaMall, and Instagram at www.instagram.com/tacomamall.

Simon's Premium Outlets portfolio is the world's largest collection of upscale outlet centers. It includes 77 Premium Outlet Outlets® including 63 in the United States, one in Puerto Rico, nine in Japan, two in Korea, one in Malaysia and one in Mexico. Premium Outlet Centers in the United States are located primarily in or near major metropolitan markets such as New York, Los Angeles, Boston and Chicago and visitor markets such as Orlando, Las Vegas and Palm Springs. Center information is available at www.premiumoutlets.com.

For more information and to keep updated on the changes at the center, visit Seattle Premium Outlets on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/seattlepremiumoutlets, Twitter at https://twitter.com/seattlepo, and Instagram at https://instagram.com/premiumoutlets.

Additional information on North Bend Premium Outlets can be discovered on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/northbendpremiumoutlets?fref=ts

Twitter at https://twitter.com/NorthBendPO, and Instagram at https://instagram.com/premiumoutlets/

About Simon

Simon is a global leader in retail real estate ownership, management and development and a S&P100 company (Simon Property Group, NYSE: SPG). Our industry-leading retail properties and investments across North America, Europe and Asia provide shopping experiences for millions of consumers every day and generate billions in annual sales. For more information, visit simon.com.

About NRG EVgo

The NRG EVgo network gives electric vehicle (EV) owners new freedom and range confidence via home and workplace charging docks, plus a network of fast charging stations conveniently located at retailers along major transportation corridors within EVgo cities. Service plans offered by EVgo can provide EV owners a home or workplace charger and use of EVgo's Freedom Station® sites and other public charging stations. EVgo is a wholly owned subsidiary of NRG Energy, Inc., a Fortune 500 company at the forefront of changing how people think about, buy and use energy. Through EVgo, NRG will provide access to hundreds of public charging sites across more than 25 major metropolitan areas. To find out more, or to join the EVgo network, visit www.nrgevgo.com. Connect with EVgo on Facebook and follow us on Twitter @qnrgevgo.

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