

Government Convenes Roundtable to Overhaul EV Charging Systems in Apartment Complexes

- Minister of Climate, Energy and Environment joined by user groups, apartment managers, experts, and service providers
- Input to be gathered from stakeholders on charging fees and ownership and operation models for charging facilities

The Ministry of Climate, Energy and Environment (MCEE, Minister Kim Sunghwan) announced that it will hold a roundtable on improving the installation and operation system of electric vehicle charging facilities in multi-unit housing (apartments) at 10:00 a.m. on April 16 in the International Conference Room (Annex, 3rd floor) of the Government Complex Seoul.

This roundtable was organized to gather opinions from various stakeholders on issues that have emerged in the installation and operation of EV chargers, such as recent increases in charging fees in multi-unit housing, and to explore practical, field-oriented policy improvements.

A wide range of stakeholders will attend the roundtable, including Minister Kim Sunghwan of the MCEE; EV user groups; apartment management representatives; the Korea Housing Managers Association; charging infrastructure experts; the media; charging service providers; and Korea Electric Power Corporation (KEPCO). In particular, management office heads of apartment complexes that independently install and operate charging facilities

will also participate, providing an opportunity to hear firsthand insights from the field and engage in discussion.

The roundtable will be streamed live on YouTube,* and the discussion will broadly address issues such as the causes of recent increases in slow-charging fees and possible countermeasures, ownership and operation models for charging facilities, and appropriate technical specifications for chargers.

* youtube.com/@mceenewsroom (MCEE YouTube LIVE channel)

The MCEE plans to use this roundtable as an opportunity to pursue follow-up measures, including gathering input based on on-site feedback to improve charging fee* structures and charging facility systems.

* To enhance transparency in charging fees, the MCEE is conducting cost calculations based on public utility pricing standards and has been gathering input from industry stakeholders on cost calculation methods and components since April 9.

Minister Kim Sunghwan of the MCEE emphasized, “As we enter the era of one million electric vehicles, we will directly identify issues with slow chargers in multi-unit housing on the ground and establish effective solutions.” He added, “We will comprehensively improve the charging fee system, operational structure, and deployment model to better reflect real-world conditions.”