

# *Electric Auto Association*



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## **EAA Honors Electric Truck Savors**

The Electric Auto Association (EAA) will honor the leaders of the Sacramento vigil that saved the Ford RangerEV electric pickup trucks from destruction with special recognition at the EAA national meeting on February 19, 2005 in Palo Alto, Calif.

The January 2005 vigil, led by RangerEV drivers and California ranchers Dave Raboy and Heather Bernikoff, and contractor Bill Korthof, along with the Jumpstart Ford Campaign of Rainforest Action Network and Global Exchange, moved the Ford Motor Company to agree to sell these zero-emission, zero-oil vehicles to current and past leaseholders for \$1 each instead of destroying the trucks.

This was the second time Jumpstart Ford worked with electric car drivers to derail Ford's plans to crush all its electric vehicles. An August 2004 demonstration in San Francisco, coordinated with a roof-sit by Greenpeace on Ford's Oslo, Norway headquarters, moved Ford to stop crushing its Th!nk City electric cars. Ford agreed to return the cars to Norway, where they were built, for sale to eager buyers on waiting lists.

The EAA salutes these efforts that have saved hundreds of electric cars from the crusher, and hopes these actions will help influence other automakers to stop destroying their great electric cars.

The special recognition will take place at 10:30 a.m. February 19<sup>th</sup> at Hewlett Packard, 3000 Hanover Street Palo Alto, CA, in the Building 20 auditorium.

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### **About the EAA**

Founded in 1967, the EAA is a non-profit organization of volunteers dedicated to the promotion of electric-drive technology and to the support of owners of electric vehicles. Its worldwide membership is a source of knowledge and expertise about electric-drive technology. The EAA seeks to educate the public about the progress and benefits of electric-drive technology by organizing and participating in forums, meetings, and public events. The EAA also offers technical information and support to people who wish to convert gasoline-powered vehicles to electric power. In recent years, the EAA has established funds to maintain public EV charger stations. More information about the EAA is available at [www.eaaev.org](http://www.eaaev.org).