

# Development Project of Superior Electric Vehicles over Combustion Engine Vehicles

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First started in 1916 the prestigious Pikes Peak International Hill Climb Race is world's second greatest race following the Indy 500. In 2015 the Pikes Peak International Hill Climb Race will mark its 100<sup>th</sup> year and celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2016.

In the long history of the evolving automobile industry, the anniversary of the race would be a perfect time to prove electric vehicles perform better than combustion engine cars and stimulate the movement to promote the shift to electric vehicles in order to seek solution to the environmental issues and energy problems.

We are calling to all businesses to partake in the project to show the whole world how much of a great performance an electric vehicle can realize at the historical and monumental event. We welcome your support.



Photo: 2014 Pikes Peak International Hill Climb Goal Checker Flag



# **Project Objective and Significance**

We began our electric vehicle challenge at the Pikes Peak International Hill Climb from the year 2012. Our first year looked good as we were able to clock great times at the qualifying runs however we were forced to retire due to mechanical trouble.

To vindicate our honor, we doubly and prepared for our second year of 2013. As a result we were able to surpass major auto maker works team and win the electric class champion by a humongous margin as expected.

In spite of that, Peugeot gave their absolute all as an automobile manufacturer with massive funds and long hours toward their racing machine and the appointed the best driver behind the wheel. As a result they have won the overall championship at an astounding 8 minutes.

With our 3<sup>rd</sup> year this year, we aimed to achieve a successive win but also to challenge the combustion engine car scores overall.

Still our current machine's total performance has not yet overcome combustion engine vehicles and victory was not possible.

The year 2015 will be our 4<sup>th</sup> challenge and the year after that would be the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Pikes Peak International Hill Climb. And so we made the decision to develop the electric vehicle with the performance greater than the combustion engine vehicle.

We aim to call out to as many people and businesses as possible in order to recruit businesses and distinguished engineers that may be interested in partaking in our project, which is why we have sent you this proposal.

We are aiming to make a great campaign of bettering the electric vehicle technology, and through demonstration to the world we can put a stop to global warming. We welcome your participation to our project.



# **Project Outline**

## **Project Name**

2015 Pikes Peak Hill Climb Electric Modified Class Race Machine Development

#### **Race Machine Feature**

All Wheel Drive type Electric Vehicle

# **Support Categories**

Motor Developer

Battery & BMS Developer

Inverter Developer

4 Wheel Independent Control

Developer

Vehicle Controller Developer

Instruments Developer

Wire Harness Developer

Competition Tire & Wheel Developer

Active Suspension Developer

**ABS** Developer

Traction Control System Developer

Power Assist Steering Developer

Yaw Control Developer

Light Weight Car Body Developer

**CFRP Composite Developer** 

Polycarbonate Window Developer

Aero Dynamics Developer

Engine Sound Emitter Developer

GPS Nav System Developer

Communication system Developer

**Logistics Related** 

Hospitality Related

Team Apparel Related

Power Tools Related

**Power Generators** 

**Quick Charger** 

## **Participating Fee**

1 Share 10,000,000 Yen

#### Research & Development Engineer Dispatching (Educational Training Incl.)

Provision of equipment and parts for research and development

## **Project Start Timing**

June 7th, 2014

## **Deadline for Participating Companies**

Up to the end of the project (Categories are first come first serve basis)



# **Participating Companies Benefit**

Usage of PR material that you are a participant to the project

- Team Image Usage Rights
- Race Car Logo Exposure
- Press release, team official website, project PR media exposure of your company logo
- Still and video images provision

Chance of exposure to publishing / broadcasting media

- Media exposure in relation to the event around the world
- Media exposure in relation to interviews of the project around the worldト取材等によ
- Exhibition booth display exposure

Mutual usage of open source technology between participating companies.

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