

# Blue Planet puts Hawaii's transportation future on display

***100% electric Tesla Roadster demonstrated at news conference tomorrow; test rides available to media***

**HONOLULU**— Hawaii's vehicle future will be on display tomorrow at a news conference in front of the State Capitol. A new 100% electric Tesla Roadster, owned by Blue Planet Foundation founder Henk Rogers, will be demonstrated and test rides will be offered to media.

The roadster breaks most of the stereotypes of electric vehicles today. The car is among the fastest on the road, with an acceleration time under 3.9 seconds from zero to sixty. The car, with a body of carbon fiber has a top end of 125 miles per hour and can travel nearly 250 miles on a single charge. It can be charged from a standard electrical outlet or quick charged from a 220-volt outlet.

Blue Planet is using the vehicle to demonstrate that Hawaii's electric vehicle future is closer than most think. Electric vehicles can be charged with clean energy sources, such as solar and wind power. But even using conventional electricity sources, electric vehicles use oil more efficiently than internal combustion vehicles.

While the Roadster is clearly a high-end sports car, the proof of concept and commercialization of the vehicle opens the door to mainstream adoption of electric vehicles that meet expectations of car consumers today. Over 500 Roadsters have been delivered globally, and the manufacturer, Tesla Motors, will be selling a sedan model next year.

**Test rides will be offered to media representatives who schedule in advance. Please contact Jeff at [jeff@blueplanetfoundation.org](mailto:jeff@blueplanetfoundation.org) or 226-4987. The Tesla offers great camera shots from inside the vehicle showing its dramatic acceleration.**

**WHO:** Blue Planet Foundation

**WHAT:** Demonstration of and test rides in a Tesla Roadster, a high-performance, 100% electric vehicle

**WHERE:** Beretania Street sidewalk fronting Hawai'i State Capitol

**WHEN:** Wednesday, June 10, 9:30am (rides scheduled after brief news conference)

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