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## **EDTA Announces New Members** **- Eaton and Nissan Join Board of Directors**

**- Bannon Automotive, Dakkota Integrated Systems, and Baltimore Gas and Electric Become EDTA Members**

**Washington, DC—April 9, 2010—**The Electric Drive Transportation Association (EDTA), the inter-industry trade association accelerating battery, hybrid, plug-in hybrid, and fuel cell electric drive technologies and infrastructure, is pleased to announce four new members and one board upgrade during the first quarter of 2010. **Eaton Corporation** has joined the Board of Directors, as has longtime member **Nissan**. **Bannon Automotive, Dakkota Integrated Systems,** and **Baltimore Gas and Electric** have joined EDTA's multi-faceted membership of automotive and vehicle component manufacturers, utility companies, battery, charging and other technology developers and suppliers.

"Our newest members illustrate the diversity of companies and technologies driving the future of transportation in the United States," said EDTA President Brian Wynne. "In vehicles, components and electric fuels, the electric drive industry is expanding and preparing to meet the needs of an equaling diverse driving public."

To learn more about all of EDTA's members, visit our online directory:

<http://electricdrive.org/index.php?ht=d/MemDirMO/cids/5502letter/all/pid/2359>

**About Bannon Automotive:** Headquartered in New York, Bannon Automotive, LLC was founded to design, build and manufacture an affordable plug-in electric vehicle for the North American automotive market. The company was created with a mix of both seasoned automotive and financial investment professionals. This unique mix supports the company's goal to create the first affordable, reliable and desirable electric vehicle in the US. For more information, visit [www.bannonautomotive.com](http://www.bannonautomotive.com)

**About Dakkota Integrated Systems:** Headquartered in Holt, Michigan, Dakkota Integrated Systems, launched in 2001, is a joint venture between Intier Automotive Interiors and Rush Group, LLC, created to efficiently and effectively service Original Equipment Manufacturers by managing the complete assembly and sequencing of integrated automotive interiors. Its products include cockpits, door panel assemblies, overhead systems, complete floor consoles, and cargo systems. For more information, visit [www.dakkotasystems.com](http://www.dakkotasystems.com)

**About Baltimore Gas and Electric:** BGE, headquartered in Baltimore, is Maryland's largest gas and electric utility, delivering power to more than 1.2 million electric customers and more than 640,000 natural gas customers in Central Maryland. The company's approximately 3,000 employees are committed to the safe and reliable delivery of gas and electricity, as well as enhanced energy management, conservation, environmental stewardship and community assistance. BGE is a subsidiary of Constellation Energy. For more information, visit [www.bge.com](http://www.bge.com)

**About EDTA:** The Electric Drive Transportation Association (EDTA) is the trade association representing battery, hybrid, plug-in hybrid and fuel cell electric drive technologies and infrastructure. EDTA conducts public policy advocacy, education, industry networking, and international conferences. EDTA's membership includes automotive and other equipment manufacturers, energy companies, technology developers, component suppliers, and government agencies. For more information about EDTA and its members, visit [www.electricdrive.org](http://www.electricdrive.org).

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