

## **FCEB Webinar Series 2024: #3 – Steps to Secure Low or No Emission Grants & Funding**

### **Question & Answer Session:**

*Q. How can one refuel a FCEB be refueled when the power is out, and the transfer pump and compressor is unavailable?*

**A. The simplest approach is to use a back-up generator which would be much smaller than necessary to charge a BEB fleet (about 200kW for a large depot). It is better to use a fuel cell generator to produce the electricity from your stored hydrogen, to give you power for your fueling, and scalable to also provide backup power for your facility. For more information on this, check out Ballard's FCwave™ product [here](#).**

*Q. When is the next application deadline after April 25?*

**A. The dates for important upcoming deadlines are listed below:**

- **FTA Low-No and B&BF Applications Due: 11:59 pm ET April 25, 2024**
- **Project Evaluations: May 2024**
- **Project Selections Announcement: No later than July 9, 2024**
- **Pre-Award Authority: Starts on date of project selections**
- **Available for Obligation: The year of award plus 3 years – runs until September 30, 2027**

*Q. Is funding like Low-No and B&BF available to companies in the Caribbean?*

**A. Low-No is a U.S. Federal funding program, but it is open to U.S. territories, so the US Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico, for example, would be eligible.**

**Programs available within the Caribbean include the NDC Accelerator Fund and the UK Sustainable Infrastructure Programme Fund. The IDB has been helping to develop a common approach to structure sustainable financial schemes to deliver electric buses in Latin America and the Caribbean which aim to mobilize the private sector.**

*Q. Does anyone have recent hydrogen production capacity in the United States?*

**A. Ballard is currently working towards putting together documentation that will show where we are today with hydrogen production and availability. It's tricky as there is a mix of information between what's being proposed and what's actually producing molecules right now. But some plants are starting to come online, which is encouraging, so we're going to do our best to have information ready as soon as possible to cascade to our participants in this webinar series.**