



# SOLAR CAR CHALLENGE FOUNDATION

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*2015 Solar Car Teams on display at the Texas Motor Speedway, Fort Worth, Texas*

Good Morning,

Thank you for your wonderful support for the Solar Car Challenge, an international high school solar education program designed to help motivate students in Science, Engineering and Alternative Energy. We would like to invite your continued support for 2016.

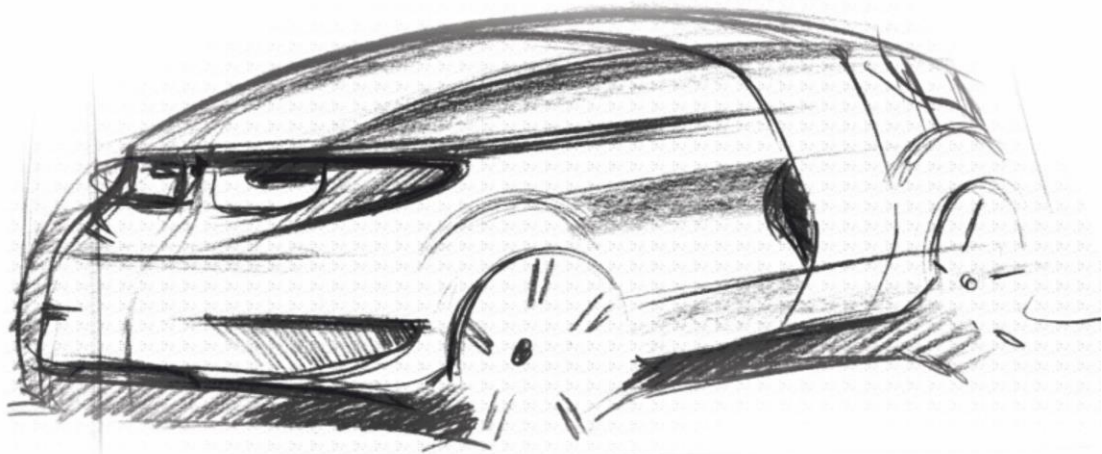
*Science & Technology Magazine* named the Solar Car Challenge as one of the top science and engineering programs in the country. The Solar Challenge has reached more than 35,000 students, and has 161 on-going high school projects in 31 states, Mexico, Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, and the Bahamas.

We want to invite your support for the 2016 **Solar Car Challenge Foundation**. With your help, we can inspire thousands of students across the world. This would allow us to grow the Solar Car Challenge Education Program and fulfill our cross-country race from Fort Worth to Minneapolis.

The Solar Car Challenge has 161 teams in 31 states, Mexico, Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, and the Bahamas. Thirty-one teams qualified to participate in the 2015 event at the Texas Motor Speedway. Our cross-country event in 2016 should be an even larger event. We desperately need your support to make this possible. This letter is our official funding request.

### **New Electric-Solar Vehicle Division**

The 2015 Solar Car Challenge at the world famous Texas Motor Speedway introduced our new Electric-Solar Powered Vehicle Division. This was a huge success because it demonstrated that solar technology can play a major role in transportation. This division of solar cars brings market relevance to the Solar Car Challenge.



This new division also created a great deal of interest from NASCAR. This would dramatically improve our education appeal to high school students!

### **Middle School Initiative**

We are continuing our outreach to younger students. The 2016 Solar Car Challenge Education Program expands our Middle School Initiative designed to encourage greater interest in Science, Engineering, and Alternative Energy.

### **I include the following documents for your review:**

- General proposal showing projects within the Solar Car Challenge
- History of the Solar Car Challenge
- Mission Statement
- 2016 Press Release
- Specific one-page presentation (already submitted)

Thank you for considering our proposal. I hope you will review our web site at <http://www.solarcarchallenge.org>. By the way, we have adapted to social media and have a well-viewed **Facebook** page and Twitter account.

All of our events are supported by a year-long education program highlighted by workshops, curriculum materials, on-site visits, mentoring, teaching materials, and summer camps. The Solar Car Challenge Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational organization.

Again, let me say how much I appreciate all that you have done to help make the Solar Car Challenge a huge success. Your dedication and devotion to this project is appreciated by so many people!

Your friend,  
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