

Ford Escape Hybrid Electric Vehicle Accelerated Testing – July 2008

One front-wheel drive and one 4-wheel drive Ford Escape hybrid electric vehicles (HEV) entered Accelerated testing during early 2005 in a single fleet in Arizona. After reaching 160,000 miles each, the two HEVs will have their traction batteries tested before they are retired. One page vehicle fact sheets and maintenance logs have been posted on nearby www pages. The information includes miles driven, fuel economy, operations and maintenance requirements, operating costs and life-cycle costs. The two Escapes were driven a total of 320,000 miles and the cumulative average fuel economy was 27.0 miles per gallon. The 2-WD Escape completed testing in April 2008 and the 4-wd in December 2007. The 2-WD averaged 27.9 mpg after 160,000 miles and the 4-WD averaged 26.2 mpg after 160,000 miles.

