

***Tom Cain will be a Panelist at the DTE Electrical Vehicle Conference in Detroit on October 19-21***

**SAIL Venture Partners** (Costa Mesa, CA – New York, NY) announced today that Tom Cain, a SAIL Managing Partner, will be a panelist at the DTE Electrical Vehicle Conference in Detroit on October 19-21 ([www.pev2009.com](http://www.pev2009.com)). His panel will be addressing recent developments in batteries for electric cars. Other panelists include David Vieau, President and CEO of A123 Systems. SAIL's portfolio company Dow Kokam Advanced Energy LLC is a Presenting Sponsor of the Conference, which will focus on a wide range of related issues, including battery technology, charging stations, financing, electric rates, and policy issues.

Alan Sellers, a SAIL Managing Partner, stated: "We are pleased to be participating in this major conference focused on the future of electric vehicles."

***Among SAIL's investments attracting recent notice is its participation in Dow Kokam Advanced Energy LLC, a joint venture with Dow Chemical, Kokam Korea, and Townsend Capital LLC. Dow Kokam will develop and manufacture batteries for electric plug-in and hybrid cars on a global basis. SAIL and Townsend had previously partnered in acquiring an interest in Kokam. The joint venture has thus far attracted approximately \$490 million of federal and state government funding and an undisclosed total amount of equity capital. Group Dassault has announced a preliminary agreement to merge its electrical vehicle business into the joint venture.***

"In looking to the future, we are delighted to working as partners with Dow Chemical, Townsend Capital, Kokam, and Groupe Dassault," added Hank Habicht, also a Managing Partner of SAIL.

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