



AUTOMATED VEHICLES

Pony.ai becomes the first automated vehicle (AV) company to receive a taxi permit in China. In May 2022, Pony.ai will begin operating a fleet of 100 AVs in an 800 square kilometer service area in Nansha, Guangzhou. The service will be available from 8:30 am to 10:30 pm, and passengers can book rides through the PonyPilot+ app.

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May Mobility, an AV startup, partners with BraunAbility, a wheelchair accessible van manufacturer, to improve accessibility in May Mobility's Toyota Sienna Autono-MaaS (S-AM) vehicles. May Mobility plans to deploy the modified S-AM vehicles in Ann Arbor and Grand Rapids, Michigan; Arlington Texas; Fishers, Indiana; and Hiroshima, Japan in 2022. The goal is to augment public transit and improve AV accessibility.





ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Denver, Colorado offers rebates for electric bike and cargo bike purchases. Denver residents are eligible for a \$400 and \$500 rebate off qualifying electric bikes and cargo bikes, respectively. Income-qualified residents can receive an instant \$1,200 rebate.

SHARED MICROMOBILITY

Lyft acquires PBSC Urban Solutions, a bikesharing equipment and technology company. The acquisition doubles Lyft's shared micromobility scale. Lyft currently operates shared micromobility services in 11 cities, and the acquisition increases this number by 39 cities.





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Uber announces Earth Week initiatives. Uber is permanently removing the \$1 surcharge for Uber Green rides, which allows riders to request an environmentally friendly car (e.g., electric). Until April 30th, Uber is also offering a \$1 per journey discount on Uber Green rides, where riders can book a Lime electric bike or scooter ride through the Uber app.

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