

Last Week In Innovative Mobility

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AUTOMATED VEHICLES

The Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colorado offers an automated shuttle service. The automated vehicles (AVs) can seat six people at a time and operate at a maximum speed of 20 miles per hour. The school is employing students, rather than bus drivers, to ride in the vehicles to support operations and safety.



AUTOMATED VEHICLES

Grand Rapids, Michigan offers free, on-demand AV rides. The service area includes 1.36 square miles and 20 specific pick-up and drop-off points. The service is available from 7 am to 7 pm Monday through Friday, and an attendant is onboard to take over if necessary.



ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Vauxhall, a British vehicle manufacturer, offers 30,000 miles of free home charging for new electric vehicle (EV) purchasers. The offer accompanies four of the company's vehicle models and is a product of a partnership with British Gas. The EV purchases also include a home charging unit, six-month public charging network subscription, and eight-year battery warranty and roadside assistance.



GOODS DELIVERY

Uber's latest delivery partnership draws Federal Trade Commission (FTC) attention. Uber recently began partnering with Gopuff, a convenience store and alcohol delivery service, and Drizly, another alcohol delivery service. However, the FTC is concerned that the partnerships could impact competition for online alcohol and convenience store sales and delivery.



SCOOTER SHARING

Electric scooter sharing launches in the Bronx. In Phase 1 of the two-year program 3,000 scooters from Bird, Lime, and Veo can operate in the 18-square mile pilot zone. Protected bicycle lanes and painted parking corrals are being implemented to support the pilot program.



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