

Last Week In Innovative Mobility

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AUTOMATED VEHICLES

The California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) requests Cruise reduce its automated vehicle (AV) taxi fleet by 50% in San Francisco, California. The request comes after a series of incidents with Cruise vehicles, including a collision with an emergency vehicle. The reduction is expected to last until the DMV completes an investigation and corrective measures are taken by Cruise.

CNN

AUTOMATED VEHICLES

Polestar partners with Mobileye, an AV technology company, to equip the Polestar 4 with an AV driving platform called Chauffeur. Initially, the Polestar 4 will be equipped with the previous generation of Mobileye AV technology that requires more driver interaction. Chauffeur brings improved technology, including new LiDAR and radar sensors.



electrek

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Jaguar Land Rover (JLR) partners with Wykes Engineering to give Jaguar I-Pace electric vehicle (EV) batteries a second life. Wykes Engineering plans to use the EV batteries to develop battery energy storage systems to support the national electricity grid. This system aids in storing solar energy that would otherwise be lost when the grid is at capacity.

JLR

GOODS DELIVERY

Wing, a drone delivery service, partners with Walmart to deliver goods in the Dallas-Fort Worth region of Texas. Wing plans to deliver to locations within six miles of a Walmart in Frisco, Texas and within 30 minutes of the order being placed. The service will be available for customers to order select items every day of the week, except Wednesdays, from 10:30am to 6:30pm.



Walmart

TNCs/RIDEHAILING

Uber announces that it will increase the new driver age requirement in California to 25 years old. This change comes due to the high cost to meet insurance requirements for ridehail operators in the state of California. Uber notes that current drivers under the age of 25 will be able to remain on the platform.

Uber

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