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### **AUTOMATED VEHICLES**

The former Deputy Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Earl Adams Jr., suggests automated trucking will have safety benefits. In addition, Adams suggests automation will lead fleet managers to focus on maintenance and operations. The data outputs of automated trucking systems are thought to give fleet managers greater oversight on vehicle performance and lead to improved efficiency and safety.

#### **AUTOMATED VEHICLES**

### Kodiak Robotics delivers its first two automated trucks to Atlas Energy

**Solutions.** The automated trucks operate off-road in west Texas and have completed 100 deliveries. Atlas Energy Solutions owns and operates the trucks and pays an annual subscription fee to Kodiak Robotics to cover the hardware and software outfitted on the trucks.



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# **AUTOMATED VEHICLES**

**Imagry, an automated vehicle (AV) software company, outfits electric buses to test Level 3 AV technology.** Imagry expects to achieve Level 4 automation for buses by the end of 2025. One expert suggests automated buses may address issues related to bus driver shortages and offer an alternative to robotaxis.

# **ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

**TravelCenters America (TA) partners with BP to open their first direct current fast charging station along I-95 in Florida.** The station offers 12 charging ports, restrooms, a TA convenience store, and two fast food restaurants. TA hopes the charging station will help their customers switch from gas to electric vehicles and provide safe and reliable fueling for both types of vehicles.



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# **TNCs/RIDEHAILING**

The Central Consumer Protection Agency of India has expressed concern over the varying pricing of Uber and Ola rides based on customers' phone models. This concern arose after complaints from customers and media reports highlighted that iPhone users were being charged higher fares per trip compared to Android users. Uber, however, has denied that trip prices are determined by the type of phone a customer uses.

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