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policies to be updated to support "Don't Text While Driving" effort

To: All U.S.-Based AT&T Employees

In support of a major public policy initiative being announced by Chairman and CEO Randall Stephenson today, we are updating our internal policies to prohibit texting while driving on company business. This change, which is currently being made to all management and non-management policies as necessary, reads as follows:

All employees are prohibited from using data services on their wireless devices, such as texting or accessing the mobile web or other distracting activities, while driving.

As one of the country's leading employers and with one of the largest corporate fleets, we are also incorporating in our employee defensive driving classes a section on appropriate cell phone usage while driving.

HR is working on the policy and training updates now, and specifics will be communicated when they become available.

This internal change supports AT&T's leading role in a comprehensive national program to make employees, our customers and the public aware of the potential dangers of using mobile data services on their wireless devices while driving.

"Texting has increasingly become an important way to communicate, and the urge to quickly read and respond – even while driving – can be tempting," said Stephenson. "Our goal is to send a simple, yet vital message to all wireless users – starting with employees: don't text and drive."