



MEETING SUMMARY

Meeting: System Technology & Data Security Subcommittee
Location: Teleconference
Date: August 19, 2019

Attendees:

Name	Organization	Executive Committee Member? (Y/N)
Amanda Anderson	Peloton Technology	N
Yelena Baker	Office of Program Research	N
Leonard Byrne	Washington Society of Professional Engineers (WSPE)	N
Rose Feliciano	Internet Association	N
Kate Garman	City of Seattle Mayor's Office	N
Ian Griswold	WTIA	N
Mike G.	<i>Unknown</i>	N
Jennifer Harris	Washington State House Transportation Committee	N
Devin Liddell	Teague	N
Daniel Malarkey	Sightline Institute	N
Markell Moffett	WSP USA	N
Jessica Nadelman	City of Seattle	N
Paul Parker	Washington State Transportation Commission (WSTC)	N
Kelly Rula	City of Seattle	N
Will Saunders	WA Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO)	Y
Thomas Smailus	Washington Society of Professional Engineers (WSPE)	N
Michael Transue	Association of Global Automakers	N

Welcome and Introductions

Will Saunders

- Meeting attendees captured.
- Reviewed agenda.

Topic Closed.

AV Regulations – Federal and State

Rose Feliciano

- Safety regulations from USDOT and California; Other states' testing requirements related to data collection, privacy and security



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- During June 28 Executive Committee meeting evaluation of this subcommittee's recommendation to adopt data standards – Private sector states that there are already data being reported to federal government
- During July 1 subcommittee meeting, federal data reporting and potential state data reporting was discussed and follow up requested
- Email sent to meeting attendees August 19 with links to several resources on AV data reporting
 - USDOT has certain [requirements](#)
 - California requires [certain data](#) to register with the California Department of Motor Vehicles to test and/or deploy AVs in the state
 - National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) hosts a repository of [information and links](#) related to other states' data reporting requirements
 - National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has [published federal guidance](#) for AVs – v3.0 is currently published version
 - NHTSA [publishes the data](#) AV testing/deployment companies have submitted
 - No defined reporting schedule at this time
 - As AVs evolve, expect standards around reporting will be established
 - When to report, such as when a recall is required
 - What to report – data parameters/standards
 - Anticipate it will be similar to how internal combustion engine standards are setup now
- Data reporting as it relates to AV testing
 - Most states have not gotten to the point that AV testing data is standardized and required to be reported
 - Many states have requested/required reporting *that* an AV company is conducting testing, such as a registration process
 - State of New York requires that any AV testing must be done with a state patrol officer following the vehicle; This has drastically limited the testing being conducted in New York
- Group discussion:
 - This subcommittee's recommendation to the Executive Committee in June was related to standardizing AV testing/deployment data reporting to the State
 - Pushback was received on recommendation, stating that data is already reported to the Federal government, and that data can be used to meet the needs of the State
 - Information being presented today indicates that AV testing/deployment data reporting to the Federal government is voluntary – allows companies to decide what to report, if they report at all



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- It is assumed that it is within a company's best interest to complete the Federal reporting template, although each company may provide data differently
 - This does not address the pushback on the subcommittee's recommendation
 - Subcommittee's recommendation was not a voluntary data reporting structure – it was to be mandatory and standardized
- Data reporting requirements/requests of other states:
 - California requires reporting on collisions and disengagements
 - California is “in the middle” of data reporting requirements
 - Some states, such as New York require full knowledge and engagement in AV testing (requires state patrol officer present at test)
 - Some states, such as Washington, currently only require a company to self-certify and ‘register’ with the Department of Licensing to notify the State *that* they may be testing/operating in the State
 - Need to understand the wide spectrum of data reporting across states
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Rose Feliciano to confirm whether other states require any data on their testing (as California requires reporting of collision and disengagement).
- The topic of whether the State of Washington should establish state-specific data reporting requirements is still an open item.
 - Pushback from companies that they are already reporting; however information received today does not provide enough assurance that data will be reported consistently or accurately
 - Subcommittee does not have enough information at this time to move forward with a recommendation or to consider this topic closed
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Will Saunders to identify this topic as an open item and put on list for a future subcommittee meeting discussion.

Topic Closed.

Mobility as a Service Presentation

Kelly Rula

- Adapted presentation on concepts of mobility and active management of data in an open world
- Active management
 - It is the role of cities and departments of transportation (DOTs) to actively manage the public right of way
 - Active management of data involves both receiving and giving data
 - The exchange of data has been going on in government and specifically DOTs for a long time



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- Why cities need to receive data
 - Traffic flows
 - Parking transactions
 - Asset management (stop signs, curbs, etc.)
 - Permit compliance (what construction can occur in a public right of way)
- What happens when we miss our chance to require data sharing from a new type of operator?
 - We end up trying to regulate something we don't fully understand
 - Example: TNCs
 - Couldn't get in front of TNCs from a regulatory perspective until they were already in the market
 - Jurisdictions had no data - movement, patterns/behaviors unknown
 - There was a need for less parking, more loading
 - More access to curbs was needed, jurisdictions needed to identify what parts of the block space should loading/unloading occur
 - Got far down the road with this new service/mode with no jurisdictional insight on how to regulate it
 - If we were ahead of it, we may have been ahead of some regulation, operations, policies, etc.
 - Need to be ahead of emerging trends instead of being reactive
- Cities / jurisdictions also give data:
 - Signals, No Parking signs, Dynamic message signs, etc.
 - Seattle DOT hosts an Open Data Portal, that gives data out for free
 - Open Data Portal is static – Parking transactions, construction permits, etc.
 - There is a need for more real-time data exchange
 - Twitter feed
 - Open traffic feeds
 - Information about traffic incidents, closures, etc.
 - Data the real-time transportation industry (e.g. Google or TomTom) and eventually AVs could leverage for real-time updates and algorithms
- Digital infrastructure
 - Active management has traditionally offered static information about the status of elements (signs, signals, etc.)
 - How do we accomplish this same goal in the digital space?
 - Digital twinning, replicas, etc.
 - As mobility services are evolving and reliant on technology, growing need for more digital replication of what is happening in physical world



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- Companies can have base maps and then verify through government owned/ran base maps
- Standards and common language
 - Jurisdictions across the world are currently operating off different standards for mobility
 - Road and engineering standards set precedence for standardizing to common languages
 - Original Equipment Manufacturers
 - Transit – General Transit Feed Specification (GFTS)
 - Uses a common repository to send data about transit systems to feed companies such as Google
 - Used internationally
 - Good example of an open standard that was developed and adopted internationally quickly
 - Mobility data specifications (MDS)
 - Developed by City of Los Angeles for dockless e-scooters and bikeshares
 - Provides information about where docks are located/maintained, historical trip data, locations, device status changes, parking, etc.
 - Allows cities to manage what is happening on their sidewalks and streets
 - Adopted by at least 15 other cities (international), spun off into the Open Mobility Foundation
 - Seattle uses MDS to receive data (trip records, device status) and give data (appropriate parking locations, speed limits)
 - Can use data for program compliance, regulatory compliance, planning
 - Verify company(ies) within approved fleet count
 - Verify whether a mobility program is meeting equity goals e.g. Number of devices in certain parts of the city)
 - Planning to understand broader impacts of devices, mobility, use of curb and parking space
 - Example of TNCs - Chicago
 - Chicago now publishing certain data reported by TNCs in the city
 - See trends like time of day, trip counts, volume, trip length
 - Opens discussion around privacy and security on aggregated data being published by the city
 - Known Risks
 - Non-adoption of industry standards
 - May results in lower quality or less granular data than what we need, what can we do something with
 - Standards avoid one-off solutions that don't align with national/international approach



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- Hard or impossible to regulate what you don't understand
- Privacy and data security
 - MDS does not collect individual user data (e.g. phone, email)
 - MDS does collect geolocation data, which is unique and re-identifiable
 - Washington State has unique public records access (PRA) regulations that presents a challenge in collecting and managing proprietary data – Would need to figure out how to address PRA with MDS
- How does all of this relate to the future of AVs in the state?
 - If we assume most near-term AVs will be commercially operated and will use the existing ROW – Should assume that AVs will/must comply with modern standards and compliance reporting that helps jurisdictions manage the existing public ROW
 - An open standard such as MDS could provide insight into how AVs are being used on the streets, how infrastructure interacts with AVs, etc.
 - Will be a challenge to establish and enforce a standard in an industry that has not really been challenged by government yet
- Group Discussion:
 - Is standardization of AV across the industry expected to come from the federal level, such as NHTSA or USDOT?
 - Anticipate something driven at federal level, similar to vehicle standards now
 - Public jurisdictions hold permitting authority over commercial operations, but not over devices themselves
 - Operating standards and device standards may not stay in alignment
 - Groups like this (AV Work Group) can help shape and drive this early on
 - Do you anticipate that infrastructure owned/operated/maintained by local government would feed into or read the standardized AV data (e.g. traffic cameras)?
 - Vehicle-to-Infrastructure – yes, assume that at least major metros will have that connection / data feed
 - Anticipating historical and limited real-time data feed, rather than all-the-data-all-the-time exchanges
 - What types of things can an MDS approach tell us about AV testing?
 - Telematics-related data – vehicle speed, hard braking, cornering, etc.
 - Could use to understand AV movement, interaction with infrastructure and environment, assist with things like signal phase and timing
 - Could mirror the TNC model – where vehicles are going, deadheading (completing a trip with no passengers or goods), fueling activity, etc.
 - Could provide data for analysis on first/last mile, propulsion type (electric, hybrid, etc.), peak hour activity, parking locations, etc.



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- On assumption that most AVs will be commercially operated – Many AVs will likely be privately owned, which opens different questions regarding privacy of data
 - Expect to hold precedent to not collect private data – only activity occurring on public ROW / interacting with public infrastructure (e.g. curb activity)
 - Open question still regarding device safety regulations – what information is needed to regulate patches/updates on AV software
- Uber opposed MDS in Los Angeles – Do you know the reason for opposition?
 - TNC industry is hesitant to provide detailed information – Want to protect proprietary information and trade secrets, concern of data privacy and security
 - Micro mobility operators are split – some are comfortable sharing data, others are hesitant
 - From a regulation standpoint, jurisdictions should require compliance and data sharing – if you want to operate on the public ROW, comply
- The data we are looking to get from AVs are not unique to AVs, it is telematics data present in all newer vehicles, whether internal combustion engines or electric vehicles
- **ACTION ITEM:** Any subcommittee members / meeting attendees that have materials / reading on this topic they would like to share, please send to Will Saunders to share with the group.

Other Topics / Open Discussion

Will Saunders

- Next subcommittee meeting is a joint meeting with the Licensing Subcommittee – September 17th 1:30pm – 3:00pm
 - Meeting will have both virtual and in-person options
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Will Saunders to send one final update on joint meeting invitation and information in approximately one week
- Executive Committee Meeting September 26th, with a PACCAR site visit on September 25th
- Subcommittee currently does not have another standard meeting schedule
 - Current cadence would warrant a subcommittee meeting in early September
 - **ACTION ITEM:** If subcommittee members / meeting attendees have a topic(s) to discuss, contact Will Saunders
 - If no topics received, no subcommittee meeting will be scheduled in September.

NEXT MEETING: September 17, 2019

MEETING ADJOURNED.
