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Working in Hot Weather

Members,

The Union is very concerned about members, especially those that are operating non-AC buses during extreme weather. Heat stress indicators such as sweating, headaches, dizziness, irritability, and a feeling of weakness, can lead to heat stroke, a loss of consciousness and death.

When temperatures and humidity become extreme, you need to take adequate rest breaks, in a shady place, preferably in an AC crew room. It also becomes imperative that you are hydrating regularly.

Your body's ability to prevent heat stress is highly dependent on personal characteristics, such as age/weight/medical conditions and gender.

It is important that you notify T-COMM if you feel the onset of heat stress. It is a safety issue.

The Union is committed to improving your working conditions, we can always do better.

We are forming a committee to explore all possible solutions to modifying the Non-AC buses. Simply, waiting for future replacements is not good enough.

In Solidarity,

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