

VERIZON  
UP TO SPEED LIVE  
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>> HEY, EVERYBODY!

IT'S DIANA ALVEAR.

WE ARE BACK AT BASKING RIDGE. WE'VE GOT WORK FORWARD GOING,  
AND I'M GOING TO GET A COFFEE, AND OH, MY GOSH!

>> I'M HERE!

>> HANS!

>> YES.

I'M HERE.

>> OH, MY GOSH! WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?

>> YOUR OPTIONS ARE HOT OR COLD COFFEE. THAT'S YOUR OPTIONS YOU HAVE.

>> I'LL TAKE HOT COFFEE.

>> OKAY. I'LL GIVE YOU A HOT COFFEE.

>> WOO-HOO!

>> IT'S GOING TO BE THE PIKE FLAVOR FOR YOU.

>> OH, PIKE IS MY FAVORITE. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

>> THANK YOU.

[CHEERS AND APPLAUSE].

>> HOW ABOUT THAT!

YES!

DID YOU SEE WHO WAS BEHIND ME AT THE STARBUCKS BAR?

IT WAS HANS!

IT WAS SO AMAZING.

HELLO, EVERYBODY, AND WELCOME TO UP TO SPEED LIVE.

AND EMPHASIS ON LIVE BECAUSE DID YOU ALL HEAR THAT, STUDIO AUDIENCE, CAN YOU HEAR THAT AGAIN?

CAN I HEAR THAT AGAIN?

[CHEERS AND APPLAUSE].

>> OKAY.

SO TODAY'S THE DAY.

I GOT THE T-SHIRT.

IT IS REALLY HAPPENING.

WE'RE KICKING OFF OUR FIRST OFFICIAL HYBRID WEEK FOR V-TEAMERS IN THE U.S., AND OF COURSE THANKS TO THOSE OF YOU WHO NEVER STOPPED REPORTING FOR DUTY IN OUR STORES, THE FIELD AND MORE, WE OWE YOU EVERYTHING.

ALL RIGHT.

SO WHAT DOES ALL OF THIS MEAN?

OKAY.

WORK HYBRID SCHEDULES HAVE BEEN ACTIVATED IN THE U.S., AND THOSE OF YOU THAT ARE IN THAT WORK MODEL ARE ALL GETTING INTO THE GROOVE, BACK AT YOUR WORK SITE.

AND WE'VE GOT A LOT OF COOL THINGS HAPPENING ALL OVER THE COUNTRY TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU FEEL WELCOME, AND MAKE THIS TRANSITION A LITTLE EASIER.

SO, AS YOU SAW, WE HAVE A SURPRISE STARBUCKS BARISTA AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SHOW, AND HANS IS NOT ONLY A HARD-WORKING CEO, HE IS ALSO A MASTER OF LATTES AND SCONES, AND THAT WAS NO JOKE.

REMEMBER WE TOLD YOU ON APRIL FOOLS?

YEAH, WELL, THAT WAS ACTUALLY TRUE.

HANS IS GOING TO BE WORKING THE COFFEE BAR AT BASKING RIDGE, SO MAKE SURE THAT YOU TELL HIM CONGRATULATIONS ON HIS FIVE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY AS A V-TEAMER.

[CHEERS AND APPLAUSE].

>> FIVE YEARS WITH HANS!

AND, I'M SO EXCITED WE'VE GOT ANOTHER SPECIAL GUEST JOINING US NOW.

HELLO, SAM!

WELCOME TO UP TO SPEED.

>> HELLO, EVERYONE.

IT WAS SO EXCITING THIS MORNING, AND I SAW FROM OTHERS IN DIFFERENT LOCATIONS, PEOPLE WERE HAVING GATHERINGS.

THERE'S A MASSIVE ENERGY, LOTS OF FIST BUMPING, PICTURES, SMILES, IT'S AWESOME.

>> YEAH.

IT WAS GREAT.

I THINK HANS TOOK MORE SELFIES THAN ACTUALLY Poured COFFEE.

SO SAM, THIS IS SUCH AN EXCITING DAY, AS YOU SAID.

THE VIBE HERE IS AWESOME.

IT IS A MAJOR MILESTONE FOR WORK FORWARD.

WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THIS FOR MONTHS.

SO HOW DO YOU FEEL?

>> I AM THRILLED.

AND FIRST OF ALL, WE TALKED ABOUT HOW WE WERE USING MARCH TO PRACTICE, AND SO MANY OF YOU HAVE MADE IT REALLY COME TO A SUCCESS FOR TODAY BECAUSE YOU GAVE US FEEDBACK, WHAT WAS WORKING, WHAT DO WE NEED MORE OF.

FIGURING OUT SOME OF THOSE THINGS.

EVEN LIKE COMMUTES, DUSTING OFF OUR COMMUTES.

SO HUGE EXCITEMENT THERE.

I ALSO WANTED TO GIVE A SHOUTOUT.

WE'RE DOING OFFICE VISITS AGAIN, SO SHOUTOUT TO THE ASHBURN OFFICE.

I SAW MANY OF YOU LAST WEEK.

AND GETTING OUT THERE, SEEING THE V-TEAM, UNDERSTANDING WHAT OUR OFFICE LOCATIONS ARE LIKE, AND WHAT THE ENVIRONMENT.

SO JUST HUGE THANK YOU.

THIS HAS BEEN A MASSIVE WORK IN PROGRESS FOR OUR WORK FORWARD TEAM.

SO HR, REAL ESTATE, EMPLOYEE COMMS, GTS.

IT'S A MASSIVE GROUP EFFORT TO MAKE THIS POSSIBLE, NOT TO MENTION EVERY V-TEAMER WHO HAS BEEN GIVING US FEEDBACK ON HOW TO DO THIS THE RIGHT WAY, WHICH HAS BEEN CRITICAL.

>> AND I FEEL LIKE IT'S BEEN SUCH A GREAT PROCESS.

I MEAN, EVERYBODY REALLY FEELS THE VIBES TODAY.

I MEAN, MY BADGE WORKS.

I GOT IN THE BUILDING.

IT'S ALL GREAT, YOU KNOW, JUST A GREAT, GREAT VIBE.

SO WHAT HAVE YOU SEEN AND HEARD THESE LAST FEW WEEKS AS MORE V-TEAMERS ARE TESTING OUT THE HYBRID MODEL?

BECAUSE I KNOW WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT IT.

WE'VE STOOD HERE AND TALKED ABOUT HEY, THIS IS A TESTING MODE.

SO WHAT DO YOU HEAR?

>> YEAH.

SO I THINK WE'RE DEFINITELY FINDING THOSE MOMENTS THAT MATTER FOR OUR HYBRID FOLKS, AND IT'S GOING TO BE DIFFERENT FOR ALL OF US.

THIS IS NOT A ONE SIZE FITS ALL.

AND SO AS WE FIND THOSE MOMENTS THAT MATTER, WHAT'S GIVING US ENERGY, WHAT DO WE FIND ARE THOSE TIMES THAT WE REALLY NEED TO COLLABORATE AND DOING THAT IN PERSON MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

AND SO IT'S A LEARNING PROCESS.

WE'RE GOING TO BE LEARNING AND IMPROVING TOGETHER, AND THAT'S WHY I KEEP SAYING, LIKE, FEEDBACK IS SO IMPORTANT, BECAUSE WE STILL HAVEN'T GOT THIS EXACTLY RIGHT.

WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO DIAL IT IN, AND WE'RE GOING TO USE YOUR VOICE AND YOUR INPUT TO MAKE IT BETTER.

>> NOW, I HEARD THAT TEAMS OUTSIDE OF THE U.S. ARE STARTING TO TEST OUT THEIR HYBRID PLANS.

IN FACT, WE SAW THE TEAM IN BELGIUM PICKING UP TRASH AND MAKING THEIR WORK SITE BEAUTIFUL.

SO WHAT'S THE LATEST ON OUR INTERNATIONAL TEAMS?

>> YEAH.

SO A COUPLE DIFFERENT THINGS, ONE, I'VE SEEN TONS OF PICTURES AS WELL, SO THE TEAMS IN EMEA ARE TESTING OUT THEIR OFFICE ROUTINES RIGHT NOW IN APRIL, BUT WILL OFFICIALLY ACTIVATE THEIR HYBRID PLANS IN MAY.

THE TEAMS IN INDIA WILL BE ACTIVATING THEIRS ON APRIL 18TH, BUT I'VE SEEN TONS OF AWESOME PHOTOS OF THEM COMING TOGETHER, TAKING SELFIES.

THEY'RE FINDING THEIR MOMENTS THAT MATTER.

SO KUDOS.

KEEP DOING THAT.

AND WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO UPDATE ALL THE INTERNATIONAL TEAMS ON A LOCATION-BY-LOCATION BASIS.

>> OKAY.

SO BEFORE WE MOVE ON TO ANY OTHER TOPICS, ANYTHING THAT YOU WANT V-TEAMERS TO KEEP IN MIND AS OUR HYBRID EMPLOYEES FULLY EMBRACE WORK FORWARD?

I MEAN, WE STILL HAVE THOSE PROTOCOLS.

>> YEP.

SO WE HAVE THE PROTOCOLS.

SO THE 1-2-3, RIGHT?

RESERVE YOUR SPACE, USING BOOK A SPACE, DO YOUR DAILY CERTIFICATION, AND WE'VE MADE THAT MUCH SIMPLER, AND THEN STEP NUMBER 3, CHECK IN AT YOUR DESK WHEN YOU ARRIVE.

AND THAT'S IT.

DON'T FORGET THOSE NECESSITIES, ALL THE THINGS YOU WANT TO HAVE TO BE PRODUCTIVE AND TO BE COMFORTABLE, AND TAKE ALL YOUR THINGS WITH YOU AT THE END OF THE DAY.

SO THAT'S ANOTHER GOOD REMINDER.

THE OTHER THING I WOULD JUST SAY IS JUST CONTINUING TO DO THIS WITH GRACE AND UNDERSTANDING.

A LOT OF US STILL HAVE LIKE THAT UNCERTAINTY, EVEN ANXIETY AROUND COMING BACK.

WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR TWO YEARS, AND SO JUST HAVE PATIENCE.

WITH OURSELVES, WITH EACH OTHER.

CONTINUE TO BE RESPECTFUL.

I -- YOU KNOW, PEOPLE WANT TO DO WHAT'S COMFORTABLE FOR THEM AND SO I'VE SEEN A LOT OF PEOPLE LIKE STILL WANTING TO WEAR MASKS, AND ENCOURAGE THAT, AND WE'RE GOING TO SEE THAT IN DYNAMICS FOR A LONG TIME, AND SO I THINK THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT, JUST TO REMEMBER.

THESE ARE PERSONAL CHOICES.

AND SOME OF US ARE AT HIGH RISK OR HAVE HEALTH CONDITIONS OR WE'RE CARING FOR PEOPLE, AND SO TREAT EACH OTHER WITH RESPECT.

AND WE'LL JUST CONTINUE TO DO THIS STEP FORWARD TOGETHER WITH EACH OTHER FOR EACH OTHER.

>> YEAH.

I LOVE EVERYTHING THAT YOU SAID, AND IT'S ALL ABOUT MUTUAL RESPECT.

IF YOU WANT TO WEAR A MASK, WEAR A MASK, YOU KNOW, AND DON'T FORGET YOUR CHARGER LIKE I DID.

SO A GOOD REMINDER FOR US ALL.

OKAY.

SO WE'RE GOING TO SWITCH TOPICS FOR A MOMENT.

I HEARD WE HAVE ANOTHER REASON TO CELEBRATE TODAY.

FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW, VERIZON EARNED THE GALLUP EXCEPTIONAL WORKPLACE AWARD!

I'M DRAWING OUT THOSE WORDS BECAUSE IT SOUNDS SO NICE.

EXCEPTIONAL WORKPLACE.

THIS AWARD IS GIVEN TO COMPANIES THAT CONSISTENTLY PUT PEOPLE, BOTH EMPLOYEES AND CUSTOMERS, AND THEIR VALUES, AT THE CENTER OF THEIR DECISION MAKING.

SO SAM, HOW DOES IT FEEL TO BE NAMED AN EXCEPTIONAL WORKPLACE?

>> I MEAN, FEELS PRETTY EXCEPTIONAL.

>> YEAH.

>> SO NO, KUDOS TO THE V-TEAM.

WHAT AN AMAZING FEATS.

SO OUR NORTH STAR IS TO BE THE BEST PLACE TO WORK, AND THAT MEANS WE HAVE TO LISTEN, WE HAVE TO LEARN, WE HAVE TO PARTNER FROM OUR V-TEAM TO SHAPE THE FUTURE TOGETHER AND I THINK THAT'S WHY I WOULD ALSO SAY, LIKE, THANK YOU, JUST A HUGE THANK YOU TO THE V-TEAM.

OBVIOUSLY YOU DON'T BECOME AN EXCEPTIONAL PLACE TO WORK WITHOUT THE AMAZING TEAM THAT WE HAVE, AND THE PARTICIPATION AND PULSE SURVEY IS REALLY KEY HERE.

SO WITHOUT THAT FEEDBACK, THAT'S WHAT INFORMS OUR CHANGES, THE INVESTMENTS THAT WE MAKE TO CONTINUE TO HAVE TO BE A BETTER AND IMPROVED

PLACE.

AND SO THANK YOU, BECAUSE THIS IS REALLY AROUND EMPLOYEE VOICE.

SOME OF THE BEST THINGS THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON FOR THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS HAVE COME FROM INPUT IN THE PULSE SURVEY.

WE'VE TALKED ABOUT TALENT GPS .

THE WORK FORWARD MODEL IS ABSOLUTELY DESIGNED SO THAT WE HAVE FLEXIBILITY AND DEFINED BY OUR V-TEAM.

OUR ERG ENGAGEMENT, A MASSIVE KIND OF UPTICK IN ERG, AND PEOPLE HAVING THAT SENSE OF BELONGING, MENTORING PROGRAMS, CAREER DEVELOPMENT, OUR RETAIL EMPLOYEES, ATTIRE AND EVEN KIND OF THE STORE -- THAT'S ACTUALLY COME FROM PULSE.

SO BE PROUD.

CONTINUE GIVING US YOUR VOICE.

WE STILL HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO TO CONTINUE TO IMPROVE, AND WE WILL ALWAYS BE DELIVERING ON THAT.

BUT THANK YOU.

AND I WANT TO GIVE A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE FOR THIS AWARD.

>> YEAH.

IT FEELS PRETTY AWESOME.

GREAT PLACE TO WORK, INDEED.

I FEEL THAT WAY EVERY DAY.

SO WHAT AN AWESOME WAY TO HONOR THE V-TEAM.

WE'RE GOING TO KEEP THE CELEBRATION GOING AND TALK ABOUT DIVERSITY MONTH.

FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER, WE ARE DEDICATING THE MONTH OF APRIL AS A TRIBUTE TO WHAT MAKES THE V-TEAM THE BEST IN THE BUSINESS.

OUR PEOPLE AND THE DIVERSE VOICES, BACKGROUNDS AND EXPERIENCES THAT SHAPE WHO WE ARE.

AND, AS A PART OF DIVERSITY MONTH, WE ARE SO EXCITED TO HIGHLIGHT ONE OF



OUR NEWEST EMPLOYEE RESOURCE GROUPS, VERIZON UNITED.

NOW, THROUGHOUT THE MONTH, UNITED IS GOING TO HOST A SERIES OF PROGRAMS AND EVENTS THAT SPEAK TO ITS MISSION TO EMPOWER PEOPLE, EMBRACE DIFFERENCES AND PROMOTE INCLUSION.

AND HERE TO SHARE MORE IS SAMPATH.

HE IS THE EXECUTIVE SPONSOR OF THE UNITED ERG.

>> HELLO, V-TEAMERS.

I AM VERY EXCITED TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY TO FILL YOU IN ON ONE OF OUR NEWEST EMPLOYEE RESOURCE GROUPS, THE UNITED OF VERIZON. OUR THEME THIS MONTH IS UNITED TOGETHER.

WE'LL BE CELEBRATING WHAT MAKES PEOPLE INTO A MOSAIC OF DIFFERENT BELIEFS, CULTURES, UPBRINGINGS AND TRADITIONS.

HAVING WORKED IN MULTIPLE COUNTRIES, I CAN ATTEST TO THE FACT THAT IN THE END, WE AS PEOPLE ALL STRIVE FOR THE SAME THINGS: TO HAVE MEANING IN OUR LIVES, TO POSITIVELY IMPACT OTHERS, TO LOVE, AND TO BE FULFILLED IN ALL THAT WE DO.

ON APRIL 12TH, MARK YOUR CALENDAR.

CID WILSON, THE CEO OF THE HISPANIC ASSOCIATION ON CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY, WILL DISCUSS HOW OUR UNIQUENESS AS INDIVIDUALS DOES NOT NEED TO HINDER, BUT RATHER CAN FOSTER A CAREER GROWTH.

AND JUST A FEW DAYS LATER, ON THE 17TH OF APRIL, WE'LL SEE THE START OF THE U.S.'S ANNUAL NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK.

FOUNDED IN 1974, THE WEEK CELEBRATES THE POWER OF THE

VOLUNTEERS TO TAKE AND TACKLE SOCIETY'S GREATEST CHALLENGES.  
TO DO OUR PART, ALL, EACH AND  
EVERY ONE OF VERIZON'S ERG, WILL  
COME TOGETHER TO SPREAD THE WORD  
ABOUT THE WHOLE HOST OF VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES.  
THANKS SO MUCH FOR SPENDING A FEW MINUTES WITH ME, AND I LOOK  
FORWARD TO SEEING MANY OF YOU AT  
THE UNITED ERG AND LEARNING ALL ABOUT THE DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES  
AS WE WELCOME CELEBRATE DIVERSITY MONTH.

>> LOVE THAT, SAMPATH.

AND AGAIN, LISTEN TO THE MAN.

ADD THIS TO YOUR CALENDAR.

UNITED'S LINKEDIN LIVE ON APRIL 12TH, FEATURING CID WILSON.

IT'S SURE TO BE A GREAT CONVERSATION.

ALL RIGHT, SAM, I KNOW YOU ARE A HUGE DEI CHAMPION.

SO WHAT GETS YOU EXCITED ABOUT DIVERSITY MONTH AND UNITED ERG?

>> YEAH.

SO THANKS, I'M SPORTING MY UNITED SWAG HERE TODAY.

LISTEN, DIVERSITY IS A SUPER POWER.

I MEAN, THIS IS A MASSIVE COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE, BUT MORE THAN THAT, THIS  
IS HOW WE HAVE A SENSE OF BELONGING FOR EACH OTHER.

IT'S HOW WE ACHIEVE SUCCESS, HOW WE CONNECT TO NOT ONLY EACH OTHER  
AND OUR COMMUNITIES, BUT OUR CUSTOMERS, OUR PEERS, OUR COLLEAGUES, AND SO  
I'M REALLY EXCITED WITH UNITED ERG TO MAKE US A STRONGER V-TEAM, AND I THINK  
THAT EVERYONE HAS A PLACE.

AND SO HOW WE ARE ALLIES, HOW WE CONNECT, UNITED IS A PERFECT EXAMPLE  
OF THAT.

>> YEAH.

I LOVE THAT, AND BRIAN ADAMIC IS A FRIEND OF MINE AND HE'S SO EXCITED AND PUTTING TOGETHER SO MUCH GOOD PROGRAMMING SO THANK YOU, BRIAN, FOR ALL OF YOUR EFFORTS.

IS HE OVER THERE?

[APPLAUSE]

>> YAY!

SO IT IS MONDAY, BUT I JUST CAN'T WAIT FOR THE WEEKND.

AND I'M TALKING ABOUT THE SINGER, OF COURSE.

OKAY?

SO AS YOU HEARD, VERIZON AND LIVE NATION HAVE A GROUND BREAKING 5G TECHNOLOGY AND TICKET PRE SALE PARTNERSHIP AND AS PART OF THAT, WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE FIRST ACCESS.

IT IS THE NEW PRE SALE TICKET ACCESS FOR VERIZON UP MEMBERS.

IT PAYS TO BE A MEMBER.

IT GIVES SPECIAL ACCESS TO THE COVETED LIVE NATION TOURS BEFORE THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

AND, WE GOT OUR HANDS ON A FEW PAIRS OF TICKETS TO SEE THE WEEKND IN SEVERAL CITIES AROUND THE COUNTRY.

THIS WEEK, WE'RE GOING TO SEND YOU AND A GUEST TO SEE HIM AT METLIFE STADIUM RIGHT HERE IN EAST RUTHERFORD, NEW JERSEY.

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS TAKE A SELFIE IN YOUR WORK SPACE.

WE MEAN WORK FROM HOME, IN AN OFFICE OR HUB LOCATION, OR OUT SERVING OUR CUSTOMERS, AND THEN SEND IT TO US, TAG AND FOLLOW INSIDE VERIZON BY THIS FRIDAY, OKAY?

WHETHER ON INSTAGRAM OR TWITTER AND WE WILL BE RANDOMLY SELECTING SOME V-TEAMERS TO ROCK OUT WITH THE WEEKND ON JULY 16TH.

SO TALK ABOUT HAVING PLANS FOR THE SUMMER.

AND ALSO YOU CAN STAY TUNED TO SEE WHAT OTHER CITIES WE'VE GOT TICKETS

FOR.

SO SAM, YOU'RE GOING TO KICK THINGS OFF.

I DON'T KNOW IF YOU KNOW THIS, BUT I HAVE A FEW TICKETS WITH ME TODAY SO WE'RE GOING TO SEE WHICH LUCKY V-TEAMER WILL BE EXPERIENCING BLINDING LIGHTS LIVE THANKS TO VERIZON AND LIVE NATION.

SO WHAT DO YOU THINK?

>> WE GOTTA DO IT.

HOW EXCITING!

>> RIGHT.

LIVE AUDIENCE, LIVE NATION, IT ALL WORKS.

ANYBODY CATCH YOUR FANCY OVER HERE?

>> I FEEL LIKE WE SHOULD GIVE SOMEBODY IN THE AUDIENCE SOME TICKETS HERE.

>> YEAH, I'M FEELING IT.

I'M FEELING IT.

>> ALL RIGHT.

ALL RIGHT.

HOW MANY DO WE HAVE?

>> LET'S SEE WHAT WE GOT.

WHO'S A FAN?

YOU CAN DO THE HONORS.

>> I MEAN, DOES ANYBODY EVEN WANT TO GO?

YES?

NO?

YES?

[APPLAUSE].

>> ALL RIGHT.

FRONT ROW, FIRST AND CENTER.

SHE WAS HERE FIRST.

>> YES.

OUR VERY FIRST AUDIENCE MEMBER.

COME UP!

COME UP!

[CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

>> ALL RIGHT.

SO ARE YOU A WEEKND FAN?

>> I AM!

>> YEAH?

>> HOW EXCITING!

>> TELL THE CAMERA YOUR NAME.

>> HI.

I'M DOLLY PÉREZ.

>> AND WHERE DO YOU WORK?

>> I WORK IN VCG FOR DIGITAL MARKETING.

>> WOO-HOO!

ALL RIGHT!

SO YOU'RE GOING TO SEE THE WEEKND!

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

>> I'M LIKE A CELEBRITY RIGHT NOW.

THIS IS AWESOME!

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

I'M SO EXCITED!

WOW!

>> YEAH.

>> SURPRISED.

>> THANK YOU FOR COMING TO THE SHOW AND BEING A MEMBER OF THE LIVE AUDIENCE, AND THIS IS HOW YOU GET TO GO OUT, PARTYING LIKE A ROCK STAR IN JULY.

>> THIS IS AWESOME!

I'M EXCITED!

>> ALL RIGHT!

OUR FIRST TICKET GIVE-AWAY!

THANK YOU!

[APPLAUSE].

>> DO YOU WANT TO GIVE AWAY ANOTHER PAIR?

>> WE HAVE MORE?

>> YOU ARE BOB BARKER, MY MAN.

>> OH, MY GOSH, THIS IS THE BEST EVER.

>> YOU GET A CAR!

YOU GET A CAR!

>> ALL RIGHT.

ONE MORE!

>> ONE MORE?

DON'T BE SHY.

COME ON UP!

ALL RIGHT!

LOOK AT THIS.

>> I KNOW.

I KNOW.

WE'RE UNITED OVER HERE.

>> WE ARE UNITED.

>> YOU WANT TO TELL EVERYBODY WHO YOU ARE?

>> I'M BRIAN ADAMIC.

I WORK IN THE VBG FOR THE VOICE MANAGE FOR BUSINESS PROGRAM AND THE

GLOBAL CHAIR FOR UNITED.

SO GLAD YOU WERE ON TO TALK ABOUT TODAY AND WE'RE SUPER EXCITED ABOUT THE NEW ERG.

>> CAN YOU SEE YOUR FACE RIGHT NOW?

>> I CAN SEE A LITTLE BIT.

>> ALL RIGHT.

YOU WILL IN JULY.

>> AT METLIFE.

THAT'S FUN.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

THAT'S SO EXCITING!

I APPRECIATE YOU GUYS.

>> CONGRATS.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU!

>> ALL RIGHT.

I THINK WE'RE GOOD NOW.

>> TOO FUN.

>> THAT WAS AWESOME.

SAM MADE A GREAT BOB BARKER.



ALL RIGHT.

SO WE'RE GOING TO TURN TO SOME MORE NEWS.

ARE YOU WONDERING ABOUT THE METAVERSE?

I SAY THAT WORD OUT LOUD SOMETIMES AND PEOPLE GO LIKE, OH, GOSH, I DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE METAVERSE, BUT SOME PEOPLE REALLY DO.

WELL, ARE YOU COOL ABOUT WHAT AN NFT IS OR HOW DAOS WORK?

WE HAVE SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR YOU.

WE HAVE A SNEAK PEEK OF OUR NEW PODCAST.

TAKE A LOOK.

>> WHAT'S A DECENTRALIZED

AUTONOMOUS ORGANIZATION?

OR WEB 3.0?

AND WHY IS EVERYONE TALKING

ABOUT THE METAVERSE?

TECHNOLOGY IS CHANGING SO

QUICKLY IT CAN BE REALLY HARD TO

KEEP UP, ESPECIALLY WHEN THE

EXPERTS THROW AROUND A LOT OF

JARGON LIKE NON-FUNGIBLE.

THAT WORD ALWAYS MAKES ME THINK

OF MUSHROOMS.

THAT IS WHY WE'RE PREMIERING A

NEW PODCAST ON INSIDE VERIZON

WITH ME, DIANA ALVEAR, AND SOME

FRIENDS.

AND BY THE WAY, WE'RE NOT THE

EXPERTS.

WE'RE LEARNING AS WE GO, BECAUSE

IF WE CAN GET OUR GUESTS TO TALK

IN LANGUAGE THAT WE UNDERSTAND,

THEN YOU, OUR LISTENERS, WILL  
UNDERSTAND IT, TOO.

JUST US.

HANGING OUT WITH BRILLIANT  
GUESTS TALKING ABOUT THE FUTURE  
OF ENTERTAINMENT, CREATIVITY AND  
ALL THINGS METAVERSE.

SO LOOK FOR OUR INSIDE VERIZON  
PODCAST SERIES ON YOUR FAVORITE  
PODCASTING PLATFORM.

>> YEP.

AND OUR FIRST GUEST IS SIMON FULLER.

THAT SIMON FULLER WHO LAUNCHED THE SPICE GIRLS AND AMERICAN IDOL AND  
MORE.

YOU'RE GOING TO BE HEARING ALL ABOUT HOW VERIZON AND 5G SPECIFICALLY  
ALLOWED SIMON TO LAUNCH HIS MOST AMBITIOUS PROJECT YET THAT WAS YEARS IN  
THE MAKING.

WE'RE TALKING HE DREAMED ABOUT THIS LIKE 20 YEARS AGO.

SO JUST CLICK THE LINK IN TODAY'S STORY AND YOU CAN ENJOY THE SHOW, AND  
PLEASE TELL US WHAT YOU THINK, OR LET US KNOW WHAT OTHER TOPICS WE SHOULD  
COVER.

ALL RIGHT.

WE GOT SOME NEWS THAT'S DRIVING VERIZON BUSINESS THIS WEEK.

CISCO AND VERIZON PARTNERED IN A PROOF OF CONCEPT THAT COULD  
RE-ARCHITECT AUTONOMOUS DRIVING BY USING CELLULAR AND EDGE COMPUTE TO  
VIRTUALIZE COSTLY ROADSIDE INFRASTRUCTURE AT INTERSECTIONS.

ALL RIGHT.

SO TO BREAK IT DOWN FOR YOU, THINK ROBOTAXIS, DELIVERY BOTS, AND  
REGULAR PASSENGER VEHICLES.

PRETTY MUCH ANY VEHICLE THAT NEEDS TO NAVIGATE A CONNECTED INTERSECTION.

THIS TECHNOLOGY COULD HELP A LOADED TRUCK STOP ON TIME FOR A RED LIGHT OR EVEN HELP ALERT DRIVERS THAT EMERGENCY VEHICLE PRE-EMPTION ARE COMING THROUGH AT TRAFFIC SIGNALS.

SO THESE ARE JUST A COUPLE EXAMPLES, AND THIS TEST IS A HUGE MILESTONE FEATURING THAT THE HUGE CONNECTIVITY FOR DRIVERLESS AUTONOMY APPLICATIONS CAN BE POWERED BY MOBILE EDGE COMPUTE PLATFORMS.

THE NEWS KEEPS COMING, VERIZON LAUNCHED AN EXCLUSIVE PARTNERSHIP WITH NOVA CREDIT TO GET EASY ACCESS TO THE BEST DEVICES ON THE BEST NETWORK.

SO LET ME TELL YOU, THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN A LONG-TIME CHALLENGE FOR THOSE WHO ARE NEW TO THE COUNTRY WHO DO NOT HAVE U.S. CREDIT HISTORY, SO THIS MAKES VERIZON THE FIRST CARRIER IN THE U.S. TO PROVIDE NEW TO COUNTRY CUSTOMERS ACCESS FOR BEST DEVICE PROMOTIONS.

NO NEED TO PAY THE FULL PRICE UP FRONT.

ZERO INTEREST ON DEVICE FINANCING.

SO TO LEARN MORE, YOU CAN VISIT [VERIZON.COM/INTERNATIONAL CREDIT](https://www.verizon.com/international-credit).

JUST ONE OF THE WAYS THAT WE ALWAYS PUT OUR CUSTOMERS FIRST.

I'M SORRY TO TELL YOU BUT THAT DOES IT FOR US TODAY.

WE HOPE THAT YOUR COMMUTE, YOUR COFFEE, IT'S ALL GOOD, AND THAT YOUR WORK SITE WELCOMES ARE WARM AND FUN.

YOU BETTER HOPE THAT YOU'VE GOT SAM HAMMOCK HERE TO WELCOME YOU, TOO.

I'M DIANA ALVEAR.

I AM ALSO HYBRID, BY THE WAY, SO IF YOU SEE ME AROUND THE HALLS, I'M ALWAYS DRINKING COFFEE.

DON'T HESITATE TO COME SAY HI.

CLOSING US OUT TODAY, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A LOOK AT UNITED VIDEO TO LEARN A BIT MORE ABOUT THIS EMPLOYEE RESOURCE GROUP.

SO PLEASE STAY SAFE AND CONNECTED, AND UNTIL NEXT TIME, YOU'RE UP TO

SPEED.

>> WE EMBRACE UNIQUENESS.

WE LEARN ABOUT DIFFERENT CULTURES, AND WE COME TOGETHER AT ONE COMMUNITY FOR SUPPORT.

>> THERE IS DIVERSITY OF THOUGHT, TASTE, OF VIEW, AND SO MUCH MORE.

>> THIS IS A PLACE WHERE YOU CAN BE YOURSELF.

>> TOGETHER AT ONE UNITED FRONT, WE CAN LIFT UP AND EMPOWER OTHERS, EMBRACE OUR DIFFERENCES AND PROMOTE INCLUSION.

>> MEMBERS COME FROM ALL AREAS OF THE BUSINESS AND FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE.

>> WE ALL COME TOGETHER, NO MATTER WHERE WE COME FROM, WHAT YOU LOOK LIKE.

>> SO MANY DIFFERENT PEOPLE CAN SHARE THE EXPERIENCES AND LEARN FROM EACH OTHER.

>> I ABSOLUTELY LOVE THE COLLABORATION.

>> THAT IT TRULY IS A MULTI-CULTURAL MASTER PIECE OF EVERYONE.

>> I LOVE THE ENERGY THAT UNITED BRINGS, THE EMPOWERMENT, THE SENSE OF UNITY.

I'M SO EXCITED TO BE AN ALLY.

>> IT EMBODIES INCLUSIVITY.

>> WE ARE UNITED.  
STRONGER TOGETHER.

>> WE ARE EVERYONE'S ERG.

>> WE ARE YOUR ERG.

>> WE.

>> WE.

>> WE.

>> WE ARE.

>> UNITED.  
[SPEAKING FOREIGN LANGUAGE].

>> WE ARE UNITED.