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IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT

2008 AUTOVANTAGE ROAD RAGE SURVEY

SEATTLE/TACOMA

- **THIRD MOST COURTEOUS** – Seattle/Tacoma is the third most courteous area in terms of road rage, compared to 24 other major American cities. Pittsburgh was ranked the best. The top 10 best cities are:

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| #1 | Pittsburgh | #6 | Cincinnati |
| #2 | Portland | #7 | Sacramento |
| #3 | Seattle | #8 | Chicago |
| #4 | Minneapolis | #9 | San Diego |
| #5 | Cleveland | #10 | San Francisco |

- Miami was ranked as the least courteous city for the third consecutive year.
- **TALKING ON CELL PHONES** – Drivers in Seattle/Tacoma are the least likely to observe other drivers talking on their cell phone while driving every day, at 80 percent. Phoenix is most likely to observe this, at 96 percent.
- **TEXTING/EMAILING** – Seattle/Tacoma drivers are the least likely to observe other drivers texting, emailing and/or using their BlackBerry every day while driving, at 25 percent. Houston is most likely to see this, at 46 percent.
- **WAVING FISTS OR ARMS** – At 5 percent, drivers in Seattle/Tacoma are the least likely to wave their fists or arms at another driver in reaction to rude or aggressive behavior. San Francisco is most likely to do this.
- **CELL PHONE USE ILLEGAL** – Seattle/Tacoma drivers are the least likely to think making cell phone use illegal while driving would reduce road rage, at 36 percent. Last year, they were the second most likely to believe this would help.