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Industry Notice #01-05

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TLC ANNOUNCES FOR-HIRE VEHICLE WAITING STAND AT WEST 41ST STREET

The New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) is pleased to announce, on behalf of the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT), the installation of a waiting stand for TLC-licensed for-hire vehicles in anticipation of their next pre-arranged fare. The stand accommodates approximately 25 vehicles and is located on the north side of West 41st Street from Avenue of the Americas to Broadway. The stand is in effect from 4:00 p.m. until midnight, Monday through Friday, and during those hours will be provided with sanitation and security by the Times Square Business Improvement District.

The purpose of this initiative is to reduce congestion in the Times Square area. For-hire vehicle operators are encouraged to use the stand while awaiting their next call in proximity to the site. This is a demonstration project that, it is hoped, can be used as a model for future expansion. It is important that operators use the site in compliance with existing rules, including refraining from double parking, not obstructing traffic, abiding by sanitation and noise regulations and operating only by pre-arrangement. Enforcement action will be taken against unauthorized users of the stand. Please note that this facility is not for the use of medallion taxicabs, for which there are relief and dispatch stands nearby.

The stand is in effect as of February 3, 2001.