



# NEW YORK CITY TAXI & LIMOUSINE COMMISSION

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### TLC ISSUES STATUS UPDATE REGARDING MEDALLION TAXICAB TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENTS PROCUREMENT

On March 30, 2004, the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission's Board of Commissioners approved rules that required all taxicabs to have certain technology enhancements. The core requirements are:

1. Electronic collection of trip-sheet data;
2. Ability to receive text messages;
3. Ability to accept credit/debit cards for payment of fares; and
4. Ability to deliver information through a monitor located in the rear passenger section.

The TLC determined that the most efficient manner to assist and manage the taxicab industry in the implementation of these enhancements was to conduct a Request for Proposals (RFP) process on behalf of the taxicab industry.

On June 6, 2005, the TLC received proposals in response to the Medallion Taxicab Technology Enhancements RFP issued on March 2, 2005. An evaluation team consisting of expert personnel from various City agencies is now reviewing these proposals for compliance with the requirements of the RFP.

**The TLC has NOT authorized any vendor to provide an integrated solution for the technology enhancements as mandated by TLC Rules.** The TLC strongly encourages taxicab owners to refrain from entering into contractual agreements with vendors for such services until authorized vendors are chosen and announced. No vendor is currently authorized to provide equipment that may be represented as being in compliance with the TLC's technology requirements. Vendors that are awarded contracts will receive a formal *Notice to Proceed* from the TLC, at which time such vendors will be allowed to solicit the taxicab industry.

Initially, the City will award one or more contracts authorizing the contracted vendors (s) to test their equipment in a number of taxicabs. Upon successful completion of these tests a vendor(s) will be permitted to provide fully compliant technology hardware and services to the taxi industry.

Please note that once technology and service providers have been chosen and authorized, **vehicle owners will be given ample time to choose from among them prior to the enforcement of related regulations.**

A list of authorized vendors will be issued in a future Industry Notice. Additional information is available on the TLC's web site at [www.nyc.gov/taxi](http://www.nyc.gov/taxi).