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THE BUSINESS INTEGRITY COMMISSION (“BIC”) ANNOUNCES A VISION ZERO SIDE GUARD INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR PRIVATE TRADE WASTE COMPANIES

NEW YORK —Today, BIC Commissioner Daniel D. Brownell announces a new program, which will provide funding to private trade waste companies who will be early adopters of side guards on their fleets. BIC is collaborating with the Department of Transportation (“DOT”) and the Department of Citywide Administrative Services (“DCAS”) on this effort.

The announcement will be made at the Vision Zero Side Guard Incentive Program Kick-Off Event, which will be held on Friday, February 19, 2016 from 11:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., at 25 Beaver Street, Room 201, New York, NY, 10004.

To be eligible for the side guard rebate program, a company must have a current license or registration issued by BIC and have no outstanding debts, judgments, liens, or other obligations payable to BIC. Eligible trucks must be Class 3 to Class 8 with a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (“GVWR”) of 10,001 pounds or greater and must have a 2007 U.S. EPA emission compliant or newer model year engine.

“We are happy to announce that today we are introducing a vision zero side guard incentive program” said **BIC Commissioner Dan Brownell**. “Together—city government and the members of the private trade waste industry—we can make our streets safer.”

“As part of Mayor de Blasio’s Vision Zero initiative, DCAS led the effort to design and implement truck side-guards for City owned trucks. We are excited to work with BIC and DOT to help extend this life saving fleet technology to commercial waste hauling trucks in the City” said **DCAS Commissioner Lisette Camilo**.

“Safety is a key priority at DOT and we are thrilled to work with BIC and DCAS to bring this important safety enhancement to the private waste hauling industry”, said **Charles Ukegbu, Assistant Commissioner for Regional and Strategic Planning at the New York City Department of Transportation**.

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