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VISION ZERO

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On February 18, 2014 Mayor Bill de Blasio released Vision Zero, a comprehensive plan to reduce pedestrian fatalities citywide. In any given year up to 250 people will lose their lives in collisions with cars and trucks on City roads.

Vision Zero outlines a wide variety of steps to address these collisions including increased enforcement of speeding laws, redesign of street intersections, expanded use of speed cameras, and greatly increased public outreach.

New York City operates the largest fleet within the five boroughs with nearly 27,000 fleet units and an estimated 85,000 authorized drivers. As all agencies work together to implement the many aspects of the plan that impact private and commercial vehicles, it is also essential that the City's

fleet and fleet operators take the lead and set an example in prioritizing pedestrian safety.

Vision Zero outlines a set of specific initiatives that we will work with all fleet operating agencies to implement. We will complete the implementation of collision tracking (CRASH) on NYC Fleet Focus to provide the City, for the first time, the capacity to analyze fleet collisions across all agencies. By mid-March, we will have completed the first entry of 2 years of collision data and documents for 40 agencies supported through DCAS.

The City will also complete the roll-out of the automated fuel tracking program including “canceiver” technology for all City vehicles. NYPD has used canceivers for many years. These units will enable us to download engine information including data on vehicle speeds, locations, engine temperatures, acceleration, braking, and seatbelt operations. This data will help us focus training efforts to ensure safe driver behavior.

DCAS will continue to expand offerings in State Defensive Driver Training and also develop other safety related training.

The City's fleet team is also well positioned to help develop new technologies and equipment specifications that can make our cars and trucks safer and also set a standard for private fleets. In the last few years, NYC Fleet has extensively partnered with vehicle manufacturers, private fleets, and non-profits to promote sustainable fleet alternatives. We will now do the same for safety.

Our inter-agency Fleet Federation and Shared Specification teams have already demonstrated the capacity to make major improvements in shared servicing, performance measurement, and sustainability. Let's all bring this same focus, energy and enthusiasm to making ours the safest large fleet anywhere.

- Ensure all City fleet vehicles are equipped with technology that record speeding and other dangerous driving behaviors, by the end of 2014
- Upgrade the collision tracking system for the citywide fleet through the new NYC Fleet Focus fleet system
- Oversee a citywide expansion of Defensive Driver training courses for all employees driving City vehicles
- Recommend safety related devices and designs, such as high visibility vehicles, back-up cameras, and rear wheel side guards, for City vehicles and other vehicles under City regulation