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Mr. Clifford Jordan CEO Secure Cash LLC 336-44 9th Street Astoria, NY 11106

I am writing in response to your April 25th variance request on behalf of SecureCash from the requirements contained in Section 24-163 of the NYC Air Code. DEP is also in receipt of your addendum letters of June 22nd and August 24th, 2023.

As you are aware, on June 22nd, 2023, a hearing was held pursuant to Section 24-110 of the Air Code to allow members of the public both in support and in opposition of the variance requested to provide testimony. SecureCash's variance application and testimony states that there is a need for air flow, including heat and air conditioning, for the staff stationed in the truck cab during pickup events since the trucks is designed to not allow for windows to be opened and one person must remain inside the cabin in case of an armed robbery attempt. Additionally, the application cited that powering off during a stop would drain the truck's battery causing health and safety concerns.

SecureCash has pending work orders for two fully electric trucks, which will take three to four months to be delivered, and then an additional three vehicles in 2024 and the final three in 2025 to become fully complaint with the idling law by the end of 2025.

The commitment from SecureCash including the interim steps to purchase software to become more efficient, thereby reducing the number of routes as well as shutting down when practicable, are important steps in conjunction with the purchasing and retrofitting of their fleet to use electric vehicles within NYC.

The supporting documentation will help ensure that the armored trucks used within the five boroughs will not idle and is consistent with the goal of improving air quality. DEP therefore grants this variance until the end of 2025. The measures SecureCash has committed to will help ensure that idling will not be possible for the armored trucks operated by SecureCash.

Sincerely,

Mark Page, Ir