Regulatory Agenda Of the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013

Pursuant to Section 1042 of the Charter of the City of New York, the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission ("TLC") hereby publishes a Regulatory Agenda for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2013. This Regulatory Agenda describes briefly the subject areas in which it is anticipated that rules may be promulgated during the fiscal year.

The legal basis for each proposed rule is the authority conferred to the TLC pursuant to chapter 65 of the City Charter and Title 19, Chapter 5 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, which confer upon the Commission the authority to promulgate rules relating to public safety, comfort and convenience, standards and conditions of service, the issuance, suspension and revocation of licenses, and the development of a transportation policy relating to for-hire vehicles and taxicabs.

The individuals and entities likely to be subject to the proposed rules are the owners and drivers of licensed medallion taxicabs, for-hire vehicles, street hail livery vehicles, commuter vans and paratransit services vehicles; the owners of bases dispatching for-hire vehicles, paratransit services vehicles and commuter vans; taxicab brokers; taxicab agents; livery passenger enhancement vendors; and taximeter businesses.

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1. Penalty for Late Drug Testing

The Commission expects to propose rules revising the procedure for imposing fines on taxi and for-hire vehicle drivers who fail to take their drug tests on time. The Commission expects to consider this proposal in the Fall of 2012.

2. Off Duty Light

The Commission expects to propose revisions to rules specifying how taxicab off duty roof lights are configured and must be used. The Commission expects to consider this proposal in the Fall of 2012.

3. Adjudications Rules

The Commission expects to propose revisions to rules governing adjudications procedures to reflect the effects of the implementation of Mayoral Executive Order No. 148 (2011) which transferred the administrative tribunal of the TLC to the New York City Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings. The Commission expects to consider this proposal in the Fall of 2012.

4. Stickers and Decals

The Commission expects to propose rules requiring that expired license stickers and decals must be removed from a vehicle. In addition, the Commission expects to propose rules requiring side decals on paratransit vehicles. The Commission expects to consider these proposals in the Winter of 2012-13.

5. Service Animals

The Commission expects to propose rules standardizing the requirements for transport of service animals which are presently not exactly the same across all license classes. The Commission expects to consider these proposals in the Winter of 2012-13.

6. Base and Vehicle Affiliation

The Commission expects to propose rules governing affiliation of commuter vans with commuter van services and paratransit vehicles with paratransit bases which are intended to be consistent with existing rules governing affiliation of for-hire vehicles with for-hire vehicle bases. The Commission expects to consider these proposals in the Winter of 2012-13.

7. <u>Base Responsible for Vehicle Owner Appointments</u>

The Commission expects to propose rules requiring that a for-hire vehicle base be responsible for making appointments for vehicle license applications and inspections. The Commission expects to consider these proposals in the Winter of 2012-13.

8. Persistent Violator

The Commission expects to propose rules applying persistent violator rules like those currently applicable to taxicab and for-hire vehicle drivers, to commuter van and paratransit vehicle drivers. The Commission expects to consider these proposals in the Spring of 2013.

9. Paratransit Electronic Trip Records

The Commission expects to propose rules expanding and standardizing the requirements for submission of electronic trip records by paratransit bases. The Commission expects to consider these proposals in the Spring of 2013.

10. Education Requirements

The Commission expects to propose rules revising existing education requirements and options for licensees and license applicants. The Commission expects to consider these proposals in the Spring of 2012.

11. Lights While Driving

The Commission expects to propose rules requiring all licensed vehicles to use headlights at all times while on duty, to enhance safety and reduce accidents. The Commission expects to consider this proposal in the Spring of 2012.

12. Street Hail Livery Requirements

The Commission expects that experience with the first year of Street Hail Livery operation will likely require changes to rules governing the participants in the Street Hail Livery industry, including technology vendors, to reflect unforeseen difficulties, correct errors, or update rules to reflect technology and actual practice. The Commission expects to consider this proposal in the Spring of 2012