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NOTICE: Documentation for Upcoming Side Guard Requirement

To all trade waste licensees and registrants:

This notice is a reminder that all trade waste hauling vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating (“GVWR”) over 10,000 pounds must be in compliance with the side guard law, [Local Law 56](#) of 2015, as amended by [Local Law 108](#) of 2021, by **January 1, 2023**. Licensees and registrants that fail to provide proof of compliance with the side guard requirement by that date will be subject to a violation.

Licensees and registrants are encouraged to provide proof of compliance with the side guard requirement well before the January 1, 2023 deadline. ***You may now submit proof to BIC for each vehicle in your fleet equipped with side guards, on a voluntary basis.***

Documentation for each vehicle equipped with side guards can be uploaded through the [BIC Online Portal](#). **See the guide attached to this notice for more information on how to report proof of side guard installation for each applicable vehicle.** Please be advised that providing false information to BIC, including information provided through the BIC Online Portal, is a violation of the Commission’s Rules (*see* 17 RCNY § 1-09), which may subject you to civil penalties of up to \$10,000 for each such violation, and could adversely affect your license or registration status.

In the coming months, the Commission will finalize rules to provide further guidance on the side guard requirement and introduce a process to apply to the Commission for a waiver of the requirement in instances where installation of side guards is impractical for a particular vehicle. ***A separate notice regarding the waiver application process is forthcoming.***

A list of vendors that install side guards can be found [here](#). Selection of side guard type, supplier, and installer are at the discretion of the licensee or registrant.

You are advised to regularly check e-mail communications from BIC and the [BIC website](#) for updates on the side guard requirement and other matters that could impact your license or registration status.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Elizabeth Crotty". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Elizabeth Crotty
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