

NEW YORK CITY TAXI AND LIMOUSINE COMMISSION

Notice of Opportunity to Participate in a Pilot Program To Test A Zero-Emission Lithium Battery-Powered Engine in Medallion Taxicab Service

In accordance with Chapter 14 of Title 35 of the Rules of the City of New York, the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission's ("TLC") Pilot Program rules, TLC invites interested parties to submit a request to participate in a pilot program which will test zero-emission lithium battery-powered engines in medallion taxicab service.

The purpose of the pilot program is to determine whether zero-emission lithium battery-powered engines are a viable option for medallion taxicab service in New York City. It is anticipated that participation in the pilot program may take up to thirteen months; after six months a formal evaluation will be conducted by the Chairperson. Participation in a TLC pilot program in no way guarantees Commission approval for the proposer's engine for use on a wider scale, or after conclusion of the pilot program.

On September 14, 2006, the Commission voted to approve up to three participants for this particular pilot program. The Commission approved Hybrid Technologies, Inc. as a participant; therefore, there are two available slots for participants. The terms of that approval are available on the TLC's website (http://nyc.gov/html/tlc/html/news/public_main.shtml). In order for your proposal to be considered for participation in this pilot program, you must include the following in your proposal:

- (a) A detailed description of the proposed zero-emission lithium battery-powered engine, including, as appropriate, diagrams, blueprints or images;
- (b) Information regarding the use of the proposed vehicle in other jurisdictions;
- (c) Estimates of any cost and revenue impact of the proposed innovation on affected licensee groups such as drivers and vehicle owners, on the Commission and the City, and on the public;
- (d) Specification of each respect in which the proposed vehicle would depart from otherwise applicable requirements;
- (e) Description of any effect the pilot program would have on the safety of operations involved in the pilot program; and
- (f) Criteria by which the value of the innovation can be measured after implementation of the pilot program, such as cost, customer satisfaction, licensee satisfaction, environmental impacts, and safety.

Participation proposals will be reviewed in accordance with the standards of review and approval stated in TLC Rule 14-04 (see http://nyc.gov/html/tlc/downloads/pdf/rules_pilot_program_approved.pdf).

Pilot program proposals should be submitted by November 6, 2006 to:

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