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TLC ADDS 2015 FOR-HIRE TRIP DATA TO OPEN DATA REPOSITORY

The New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) is pleased to announce the addition of nearly 64 million For-Hire Vehicle (FHV) trip records to the over 1.2 billion Yellow Medallion and Green (Street Hail Livery) Cab records now available to the public online. TLC began collecting these records to ensure the accountability of its licensees and their compliance with its rules and regulations, and now the public can easily access this data as well.

"The value of this data to the TLC in protecting consumers and guaranteeing the accountability of our licensees is enormous," said TLC Commissioner and Chair Meera Joshi. "But thousands of academics, data specialists, civic groups and others have used the yellow and green taxi data to gain a totally unique perspective on how these vehicles keep our city moving, and I expect the FHV data to make a similar splash. We anticipate hearing about some very interesting projects arising from this data release, and we're excited about the possibilities."

About the Data:

The data may be accessed from the TLC web site's Trip Records page: http://www.nyc.gov/html/tlc/html/about/trip_record_data.shtml

The FHV trip records, which will be updated on a semi-annual basis, include the dispatching base number, the pick-up date and time, and a zone-coded pick-up location (when the base provided GPS coordinates in the trip record).

Of the 64 million trips represented in the release, around 45 million are black car trips, 17 million are livery trips, and 2 million are luxury limousine trips.