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TLC TO INSTITUTE A GRACE PERIOD FOR ENFORCEMENT OF EXPIRED NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

All Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) vehicle registrations associated with TLC licensed medallion taxicabs and for-hire vehicles (including commuter vans and paratransit vehicles) will expire on February 28, 2001 and are subject to renewal. Historically, not all DMV registrations are able to be renewed in a timely manner and will expire prior to renewal. Accordingly, DMV has put out a memo to all enforcement agencies and magistrates that all for-hire vehicle registrations (taxi, livery, bus) that expire on February 28 have been extended until midnight on Friday, March 16, 2001.

In order to prevent disruption in taxicab and for-hire vehicle service to the riding public, the TLC will institute a sixteen (16) day grace period, effective 0001 hrs on March 1, 2001, during which time licensed taxicabs and for-hire vehicles may continue to operate, even though their DMV vehicle registration may indicate expiration.

During this period, from March 1, 2001 through March 16, 2001, TLC’s Uniformed Services Bureau personnel shall refrain from citing expired DMV registration violations for vehicles licensed by the TLC which do not have a current DMV registration affixed to their windshields. All other violations shall continue to be cited throughout this period.

This grace period ends 0001 hrs, March 17, 2001.