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PHASE II OF INTERNET APPLICATION TO ALLOW PARATRANSIT BASES, VAN AUTHORITIES, TAXI FLEET OPERATORS, TAXI LEASE AGENTS, TAXI BROKERS, AND TAXI METER SHOPS INSTANT ACCESS TO TLC INFO

The New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) today announced that Paratransit base stations, Van Authorities, Taxi Fleets, Taxi Lease Agents, Taxi Brokers, and Taxi Meter Shops may apply through the TLC’s official web page for access to its database of licensing and adjudication information. The TLC’s web page may be accessed at www.NYC.gov/taxi.

Phase II of this Internet application will allow base station operators, fleets, agents, brokers, and meter shops to access their current licensing and adjudication information. In addition, base station operators, fleets, lease agents, brokers, and meter shops will be able to verify the TLC license status of any of their affiliated vehicles or drivers. By having this information readily available, these licensed entities will be better prepared to conduct business when visiting TLC offices and avoid repeat visits, and ensure that no unlicensed or improperly licensed driver or vehicle is dispatched. Phase III of the Internet application, which is in the planning stage, will offer this access to TLC-licensed drivers, so that they may review their own current licensing and adjudication information.

In order to access this new Internet application, authorized base station operators, fleet operators, lease agents, brokers, and meter shop operators will require a confidential password that will be issued by the TLC’s Medallion Unit and TLC’s For-Hire Vehicle Base Unit. The confidential password, along with detailed instructions on how to navigate this new Internet application, can be obtained by visiting TLC’s Licensing Division, FHV Base Unit or Medallion Unit, at 32-02 Queens Blvd, 2nd Floor, Long Island City, New York, 11101 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. only. If you have any questions regarding this new application please contact the FHV Base Unit at 718-391-5609 or Medallion Unit at 718-391-5610.

NOTE: Confidential Passwords will be issued only to principals or stockholders of record (of licensed base station, fleet, lease agent, broker, or meter shop), with valid photo identification.

As a result of the availability of this Internet application, the TLC will no longer mail out suspension lists to licensed base owners, taxi fleets, lease agents, brokers, and meter shops. This new Internet application will be made available to licensed medallion owners in the near future and will be the subject of a separate industry notice.