Notice of Public Hearing and Opportunity to Comment on Proposed Rules

Hearing Rescheduled and Opportunity to Comment Extended

Notice is hereby given in accordance with section 1043(b) of the New York City Charter (“Charter”) that the Taxi and Limousine Commission (“TLC”) proposes amending the provisions of Chapters 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Title 35 of the Rules of the City of New York to amend the rules regarding the Critical Driver’s Program. The proposed rule would clarify the following: the calculation of the 15-month “look back” period for a driver’s DMV record; the assignment of points as of the date of the DMV violation; and the calculation of the time of the applicability of a two-point reduction for completing a DMV-approved accident prevention course. In addition, the proposed rule would count all DMV points incurred from a single incident in calculating total Critical Driver points. These changes would be in accordance with Section 19-507.2 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York.

These rules are proposed pursuant to sections 1043 and 2303 of the Charter and section 19-503 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York. The proposed rules were not included in the TLC’s regulatory agenda for Fiscal Year 2010 because the need for the rule change was not anticipated at the time the agenda was published.

A public hearing on these proposed rules was originally scheduled for October 21, 2010 and has now been rescheduled. A public hearing will be held by the TLC at its offices at 40 Rector Street, 5th Floor, New York, New York 10006 on Thursday, November 18, 2010 at 10:00 AM. Persons wishing to testify at the hearing may notify the TLC in advance, either in writing or by telephone to the TLC’s Office of Legal Affairs at the address and telephone given below. Any request for a sign language interpreter or other form of reasonable accommodation for a disability at the hearing must be submitted to the Office of Legal Affairs in writing or by telephone no later than November 15, 2010.

Written comments in connection with these proposed rules may be submitted through the NYC Rules website at www.nyc.gov/nycrules, or may be submitted the Office of Legal Affairs and must be received no later than November 4, 2010 to:

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Written comments and a summary of all comments received at the hearing will be available for public inspection at that office.