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 Industry Notice #04-27
 November 5, 2004

TLC ASSISTS INDUSTRY IN PREPARING FOR NEXT PHASE OF OBD II EMISSIONS TESTING

On **January 1, 2005**, the TLC will begin implementing a new emissions test at the Woodside Inspection Facility. The **New York State Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)** and the **New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)** are requiring this new test, On Board Diagnostics II (OBD II), in order to comply with state and federal mandates for clean air. OBD II is a direct car-to-computer test that will replace the current emissions test for most vehicles with model years 1996 and later.

For the past six months, the TLC has been using a *limited* version of OBD II testing. *Full* OBD II testing begins in January. Preliminary tests show that, without appropriate preparation, the initial failure rate for medallion taxicabs could rise appreciably. **Aside from revealing malfunctions requiring immediate attention and repair, OBD II will also uncover potential malfunctions that were not yet apparent.** For the owners of those vehicles, this would mean expensive repairs and inconvenient re-inspections.

In conjunction with the **DMV** and the **DEC**, the TLC will host two information sessions. Information will be provided on OBD II, failure criteria under the standard OBD II test, and **steps that you can take to prevent an emissions test failure.** The attached Fact Sheet (TLC/DEC/DMV) has additional information. Each hour-long session will begin on the hour (9 AM, 10 AM, etc). You only need to attend ONE session.

The TLC strongly encourages all those involved with vehicle inspection preparation and mechanical maintenance to attend these important informational sessions. Failure of the OBD II test may prevent renewal of your vehicle's DMV registration and repeated failures may lead to temporary removal of your medallion.

Information Session I (7 Classes)

Saturday, November 20, 2004

9 AM – 12 PM - Fleet-owned taxicabs

1 PM – 5 PM - Agent-run taxicabs

Information Session II (7 Classes)

Saturday, December 4, 2004

9 AM – 12 PM – Independent owner-operated taxicabs

1 PM – 5 PM – Independent cont.

In order to reserve a space (or if you have any questions) please contact the TLC's Safety and Emissions Division at (718) 267-4598 at least one week before your information session.

- ✖ [Watch the training session video in dial-up or broadband.](#)
- ✖ [Fact Sheet](#)
- ✖ [OBD II Presentation](#)
- ✖ [Introduction to OBD II](#)
- ✖ [Ford Crown Victoria & OBD/IM Readiness](#)
- ✖ [Ford OBD Drive Cycle](#)
- ✖ [P1000 Code & IM Readiness](#)
- ✖ [Sample On Board Diagnostics Test](#)
- ✖ [New York State Vehicle Inspection Program](#)