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Taxi and Limousine Commission

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Dear Mayor/Supervisor:

Due to recent circumstances, it has become necessary to clarify the regulatory authority that the Westchester County Taxi & Limousine Commission (WCTLC) has over taxi and limousine services at the Westchester County Airport (WCA). Therefore, the intent of this letter is to outline the current regulations, as well as measures that will help to remedy any issues with compliance that may exist:

The current regulations governing the operations of taxi and limousine services at the WCA, are as follows:

- WTLC vehicles, through pre-arrangement, may drop off and pick up passengers for compensation at the WCA.
- Taxicabs licensed through Westchester's municipalities are permitted to drop-off passengers at the WCA only (*cannot pick-up*).
- Taxis that carry more than 5 persons are not considered "taxis" under the County's For-Hire vehicle Law and will be subject to TLC enforcement.
- Taxis that are under County contract are available at the WCA's taxi stand.

In order to ensure the safety of the riding public, WCTLC has developed an interim program for the transport of passengers by municipal taxicabs to and from the WCA. As of January 6, 2015, the following will go into effect:

- Any taxicab properly licensed by a Westchester municipality may drop-off passengers at the WCA only (*cannot pick-up*).
- Taxicabs picking up passengers at the WCA may do so if the taxicab driver holds a valid WCTLC Driver permit —or— as a new measure, taxicab drivers licensed by municipalities that conduct and maintain the same driver vetting and review process as WCTLC will be allowed to drop-off and pick-up at the WCA. If you want to proceed with the new measure, enclosed are WCTLC's vetting criteria for drivers, which may require a change in your local law.

We respectfully request your cooperation in this matter and ask that you inform WCTLG in writing of your municipality's compliance with driver vetting criteria by December 31, 2014. (As found in Article 17-B §498 of the Vehicle & Traffic laws of NY.)

Please do not hesitate to call me at (914)995-7300 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Chair/Chief Executive Officer

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