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Industry Notice #00-02

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### IMPORTANT REMINDER TO COMMUTER VAN INDUSTRY CONCERNING CONDITIONS OF OPERATION

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission's (TLC) Title 35 Section 9-10, it is essential that commuter van drivers operate within their authority. In particular, Commuter Van Owners and Operators are reminded that:

- Passengers may be accepted solely on the basis of **pre-arrangement** by telephone or other means. **Acceptance of street hails by and solicitations of passengers are not permitted.** The penalty for violating this rule is a fine of \$50.00 per violation [Rule 9-10(d); 9-11(d)].
- A commuter van may accept passengers within the geographic area of its operation as approved by the TLC and the Department of Transportation. In addition, passengers may not be picked up or dropped off at a bus stop or along a bus route. The penalty for a **driver** found in violation of this rule is subject to a fine of \$75.00 for each of the first two violations in a six-month period, and **driver's license revocation** for the third conviction within six months [Rule 9-11 (e)]. The penalty for a **commuter van owner** found in violation of this rule is \$75.00 per violation [Rule 9-11(e)].
- Be reminded that excessive "horn honking" except in an emergency situation, is prohibited by Section 4-12(1) of the New York City Traffic Regulations.

TLC Inspectors and NYPD Officers will **strictly** enforce violations of the foregoing rules.