

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE:

VEHICLE RETIREMENT AGE Series/Number: AI-2018-08 Approved December 19, 2018 Effective December 19, 2018

I. BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The Department of For-Hire Vehicles ("Department") is charged with the continuance, development, and improvement of the District's public vehicle-for-hire industry, and with the overall regulation of for-hire vehicles. See D.C. OFFICIAL CODE §§ 50-301.07 and 50-301.13. The Department is committed to increasing competition in the for-hire vehicle industry and addressing concerns raised by stakeholders across the vehicle for-hire spectrum. Recently, concerns have been raised regarding the taxicab vehicle retirement age, which is eight (8) model years. In order to provide time for taxicab companies and operators to come into compliance with the eight-year requirement, the Department is providing a 90-day grace period (until March 31, 2019) for taxicab companies and operators applying for or renewing their operating authority to come into compliance with the requirements of 31 DCMR § 609.3.

II. AUTHORITY

District of Columbia Taxicab Commission Establishment Act of 1985, effective March 25, 1986; D.C. OFFICIAL CODE § 47-2829, et seq.; D.C. OFFICIAL CODE § 50-301, et seq.; 31 DCMR § 609.

III. PROCEDURES

Taxicab companies and operators applying for or renewing their operating authority for 2019 shall have until March 31, 2019 to come into compliance with 31 DCMR § 609.3, which states that the maximum age for a taxicab operating in the District is eight (8) model years. There is no charge associated with this grace period.

SO ORDERED:

DEPARTMENT OF FOR-HIRE VEHICLES

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