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DATE: October 31, 2012

TO: Mayor Sam Adams

FROM: Frank Dufay, Private For-Hire Transportation Administrator; Private For-Hire Transportation Board of Review

RE: Recommendations Regarding Applications for New Taxi Company Permits

Please be advised that Always Cab Company, LLC; Portland Electric Cab, LLC and Solidarity Cab Cooperative d/b/a Union Cab (Union Cab) have applied to the City of Portland for Taxicab Company Permits. The Council is requested to decide whether these permits should be granted.

On September 26, 2010, the Revenue Bureau issued the Staff Recommendation Report: City of Portland Taxi Vehicle Permits (attached). The Private For-Hire Transportation Board of Review (Board), at a special Board meeting on October 10, 2012, voted to concur with the recommendations regarding new taxi company permit requests. The Board also voted to concur with recommendations for additional vehicles for existing taxi companies, but only for the first year's permits as proposed in the Report. The Board motion included a provision to evaluate the impact of additional permits and other taxi regulation reforms after one year, prior to recommending further additional permits for existing taxi companies in year 2 and 3, as suggested in the original staff recommendation. The Revenue Bureau supports the Board's recommendation to postpone consideration of year 2 and 3 permits for existing companies.

Therefore, the Board and Bureau jointly recommend that, in 2013, a new company permit and 50 vehicle permits be issued to *Union Cab*, and that no new company or vehicle permits be issued to *Always Cab Company, LLC* or *Portland Electric Cab, LLC*.

The Board has the authority to issue new vehicle permits to existing taxicab companies concurred with the Bureau recommendation for 13 new taxicab permits to Radio Cab, 11 new taxicab permits to Green Cab, and 4 new taxicab permits to Portland Taxi, in 2013. Action on this item is scheduled for the Board meeting on December 12, 2012.

Kathleen Butler, Chair Private For-Hire Transportation Board of Review

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Private For-Hire Transportation Administrator

TO THE COUNCIL:

The Mayor hereby transmits herewith the joint Bureau/Board recommendations, as approved on October 10, 2012 on the new taxi company and vehicle permit applications from *Always Cab Company, LLC; Portland Electric Cab, LLC;* and *Solidarity Cab Cooperative d/b/a Union Cab.*

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Sam Adams

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