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Re: Comments on Docket number PRM 10-001 (126-1)
Philadelphia Parking Authority Regulations

Dear Mr. Weldon:

I am respectfully submitting my comments for your consideration on the above mentioned regulatory proposal.


In Section 1017.3/1017.4 Taxicab age/mileage parameters it is proposed that all taxicabs operating in the Philadelphia area and operating under these regulations come into service with no more than 15,000 in mileage and no more than 12 months of age.

I understand the desire to put on the street new vehicles, but feel that this regulation would create undue financial burden on the owners, as the limited availability of vehicles meeting the criteria would limit their purchasing options. These concerns could potentially translate into increased fares to the traveling public if rates are increased to cover these additional costs, or if the vehicles are simply unavailable for purchase.

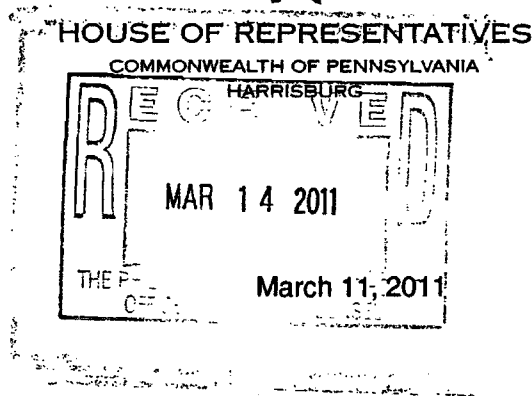
It is proposed that the introductory mileage of a vehicle operating under these regulations increase to 25,000 miles and the age of vehicle be increased to two (2) years of age.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


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