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BEFORE THE STATE OF NEVADA TAXICAB AUTHORITY

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3 IN THE MATTER OF:

4 THE ANNUAL REVIEW OF RATES,
5 FARES, AND MEDALIONS.

ORDER

6 At a regular monthly session of the State of Nevada Taxicab Authority Board, held at
7 the Nevada Taxicab Authority, 2080 E. Flamingo Rd. #114, Las Vegas, NV 89119.

8 PRESENT: Stan Olsen, Chairperson
9 James Campos, Member
10 Bruce Aguilera, Member
11 Roger Thompson, Member
12 Richard David Groover, Member
13 Ronald Grogan, Taxicab Authority Administrator
14 Gary Mathews, Deputy Attorney General

15 On November 17, 2016, December 8, 2016, and January 12, 2017, public hearings were
16 held regarding the above-entitled matter, in compliance with the provisions of the Nevada
17 Open Meeting Law, Chapter 706 of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and the Nevada
18 Administrative Code (NAC), at which time all interested parties appeared and were permitted
19 to be heard.

20 The following parties filed Petitions to Intervene and were permitted to intervene and be
21 heard: 1) Western Cab Company, 2) Desert Cab Company, 3) Yellow/Checker/Star Cab
22 Companies, 4) A Cab, LLC, 5) Whittlesea Blue/Henderson Taxi, 6) Lucky Cab Company, 7)
23 Boulder Cab Inc. d/b/a Deluxe Taxicab Service, 8) Ace Cab, Inc., Union Cab Co., A NLV Cab
24 Co., Vegas-Western Cab, Inc., and Virgin Valley Cab Company, Inc., 9) ITPE Union, 10)
25 Nellis Cab Company.

26 Intervenor and staff were allowed to present argument and evidence regarding whether
27 current circumstances require a need to adjust, alter, or change the current rates, fares or
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1 medallions. The Taxicab Authority received proof regarding the circumstances affecting the
2 interests of the taxicab industry, drivers and customers in Clark County, and having duly
3 considered the evidence and being fully advised in the premises, the Taxicab Authority makes
4 its Finding of Fact and Conclusions of Law, as follows:

5 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 6 1. Pursuant to NRS 706.8819 and NAC 706.471, the Taxicab Authority is authorized to
7 set, adjust, alter, or change rates, charges, or fares for service by taxicabs in its
8 jurisdiction.
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- 10 2. Dr. Cooper, Taxi Research Partners (TRP), presented his research and analysis
11 regarding the taxicab industry, including recommendations.
- 12 3. Jason Awad, Lucky Cab, expressed concerns relating to the information Dr. Cooper
13 obtained for his Analysis.
- 14 4. George Balaban, Desert Cab, stated he does not receive customer complaints
15 regarding the credit card fee, and how the revenue covers increasing costs.
- 16 5. Jeremy Aguero, on behalf of Livery Operators Association, offered his analysis
17 regarding TRP's report and why certain information provided was incomplete.
- 18 6. John Hickman, Western Cab, John Marushok, Frias, Brent Bell, Whittlesea Blue Cab
19 Henderson Taxi, and Jonathan Schwartz, YCS, all requested that rates, medallions,
20 and fares remain the same.
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- 22 7. Ruthie Jones and Sam Moffit, ITPEU, both requested that the \$3 credit card fee be
23 shared with the drivers, or be eliminated.
- 24 8. Administrator Grogan agreed that the rates, medallions, and fares should remain the
25 same without change, and requested that the Industry and Administration work
26 together to complete the TRP Model.
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1 9. If any of the foregoing findings of fact is more properly deemed a conclusion of law, it
2 may be so construed.

3 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 4 1. Pursuant to NRS 706.8824(6), The Taxicab Authority shall review the rates annually:
5 (a) The existing allocation of taxicabs; and (b) the rates charges or fares of the
6 Certificate Holders in its jurisdiction.
- 7 2. Based upon the arguments, evidence, and recommendations submitted by Intervenors,
8 Staff, and Administration, the Board finds that currently there is no need to adjust the
9 rates, medallions and fares. The rates, medallions and fares shall have no change and
10 remain the same.
- 11 3. In addition, the Industry and the Taxicab Administration shall work together to complete
12 the TRP model.
- 13 4. If any of the foregoing conclusions of law is more appropriately construed a finding of
14 fact, it may be so construed.
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16 **ORDER**

17 THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the aforementioned rates, medallions and
18 fares will remain the same and that the Industry and Taxicab Administration will work together
19 to complete the TRP model.
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21 Dated this 2nd day of February, 2017.

22 BY THE AUTHORITY:

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25 STAN OLSEN – CHAIRMAN
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