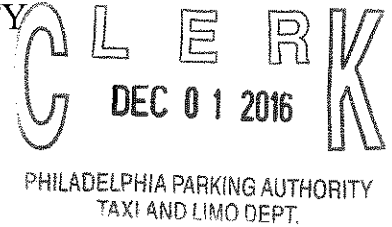


THE PHILADELPHIA PARKING AUTHORITY
Taxicab and Limousine Division



In Re: Petition of Steele Taxi, Inc.

Docket No. P-16-11-10

BY THE PHILADELPHIA PARKING AUTHORITY
TAXICAB AND LIMOUSINE DIVISION

ORDER

1. On November 29, 2016, Danielle Friedman, Esq. filed a petition on behalf of Steele Taxi, Inc. ("Petitioner") with the Philadelphia Parking Authority ("Authority"), Taxicab and Limousine Division's ("TLD") Office of the Clerk.
2. Petitioner holds a medallion taxicab certificate of public convenience under which it owns and operates medallion taxicabs in Philadelphia.
3. TLD regulations state that a taxicab will not be eligible for inspection upon reaching an age of 8 model years old. *See* 52 Pa. Code § 11017.4(a)(1).¹
4. Petitioner avers that some of the vehicles operating under Petitioner's medallions are 2008 models and may be subject to inspection as early as January 1, 2017 ("Vehicles").
5. Petitioner is requesting the TLD to waive 52 Pa. Code § 11017.4(a)(1) concerning the 8 year age limitation since the regulation will cause Petitioner a financial hardship to replace the Vehicles with newly purchased vehicles before January 1, 2017.
6. The granting of this waiver is not inconsistent with the purposes of Act 94, will not disrupt or harm the taxicab or limousine operations in Philadelphia nor will it adversely affect the public interest.
7. Therefore, the Petition is granted. The deadline for Petitioner and all taxicab medallion certificate holders to replace model year 2008 taxicabs operating in Philadelphia is April 1, 2017.²



Michael Casey, Director
Taxicab and Limousine Division

December 1, 2016

¹ Regulation 52 Pa. Code § 1017.4 (a)(1) states that the last day upon which a taxicab may be operated to provide service upon reaching 8 model years old is the day before the taxicab's first scheduled biannual inspection after December 31st of each year. However, Act 164 of 2016 ("Act 164") changed the taxicab inspection process and taxicabs will no longer be subject to biannual inspections as provided in 52 Pa. Code § 1017.31. As such, a taxicab must be removed from service on December 31st upon reaching its 8 model year.

² Petitioner was seeking an extension until June 30, 2017. However, Act 164 was effective on November 4, 2016. Therefore, pursuant to this Order, Petitioner will have a total of approximately 5 months to replace a taxicab that has reached an age of 8 model years old.

RIGHT TO A HEARING

You have a right to appeal this decision pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 1005.24. If you wish to do so, you must file a petition for a hearing with the Office of the Clerk within 15 days after service of this notice, which is no later than December 16, 2016. *See 52 Pa. Code § 1005.24 for further details regarding important appeal requirements.*