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To: For Hire Taxi Industry

From: Jack Osterholt, Deputy Mayor/Director
Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources

Re: Taximeter Fuel Surcharge

Dear Valued Customer:

The purpose of this letter is to inform the for-hire taxi industry of the effective date for implementing a taximeter fuel surcharge.

Provisions set forth in Ordinance #08-71 adopted by the Board of County Commissioners in June 2008, permits taxicab drivers to collect a taximeter fuel surcharge under certain circumstances. Understanding those provisions, effective Tuesday, April 15, 2014, a \$1.00 fuel surcharge will go into effect.

All taxicabs, including ARTS cabs, may collect the fuel surcharge for each trip. However, under the provisions of this Ordinance in order to collect the fuel surcharge the following requirements must be followed: (1) **the surcharge can only be collected if it is added to the meter's extra function (except for flat rate trips and meters that do not have a working extra function); and, (2) a fuel surcharge decal is posted in the vehicle.** All ARTS (blue) taxicabs and those taxicabs with meters that do not have a working extra function must display a fuel surcharge decal.

The fuel surcharge decal must be affixed to the right-rear passenger side window. Proper placement of this decal indicates to passengers your temporary authority to collect the taximeter fuel surcharge.

April 15 – April 18, 2014, representatives from the For-Hire Transportation Division will dispense and/or place the above referenced taximeter fuel surcharge decal to your vehicle. On each of these days, representatives will be at various locations during the specified times as listed below.

DISTRIBUTION LOCATIONS	TIME-FRAME
Miami International Airport Taxi Lot	7:30 am – 9:30 am & 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Miami Bch. Convention Center by The Botanical Garden	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm & 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Downtown Bayside by the Bus circle	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm & 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

In addition to the locations listed in the above chart, decals will be available for distribution at the Vehicle Inspection Station during regular business hours. Vehicles should enter the station from NW 8th Avenue and await pick-up in the re-inspection lane.

Please contact Steven Bobes, Administrative Officer for RER's For-Hire Transportation at 305-375-2481 for further inquiries or additional information in regards to this matter.

- c: Josh Gelfman, Deputy Director, RER
- Joe Mora, Division Chief, For-Hire Transportation, RER
- Steven Bobes, Administrative Officer, For-Hire Transportation, RER