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from the Cab Company owners Letters in Support of SB 288

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Clark County, Nevada

### A N.L.V. CAB COMPANY ACE CAB COMPANY

### ABC UNION CAB COMPANY VEGAS WESTERN CAB COMPANY

### VIRGIN VALLEY CAB

5010 S. Valley View Boulevard

Las Vegas, Newada 89118



August 8,2002

Taxicab Authority
John R Plunkett, III, Administrator
1785 E Sahara Avenue
Suite 200
Las Vegas Nv 89104

Dear Mr. Plunkett,

I understand the Taxicab Authority has submitted a Bill Draft Request (BDR) seeking to increase the current .15 cent per trip charge to .20 cents per trip.

The Frias Companies, ABC Union Cab Company, Ace Cab Company, A-NLV Cab Company, Vegas-Western Cab Company, and Virgin Valley Cab Company, support the Taxicab Authority's BDR request.

Sincerely,

Charles Frias

Owner



July 18, 2002

John Plunkett III Administrator State of Nevada Taxicab Authority 1785 E. Sahara Ave. Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89104

Dear Mr. Plunkett,

There have been discussions throughout the industry the past few months regarding the need for additional funds to be provided to the Taxicab Authority.

Yellow-Checker-Star Cab Companies are well aware of the budget crunch the Taxicab Authority is facing and of the possibility that the senior ride program is at risk.

Please be advised that our directors voted to support a \$.05 cent per trip charge increase for Taxicab Authority funding.

This would make the current TA trip charge \$.20 cents a trip.

Our action was taken on April 15<sup>th</sup> at our monthly directors meeting.

Sincerely,

Milton Schwartz

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1900 Industrial Road / Las Vegas, Nevodo 89102 / (702) 382-7060 / Fax (702) 382-4601

August 7, 2002

John Plunkett, Administrator Taxicab Authority Suite 200 1785 East Sahara Las Vegas, NV 89104

Dear Mr. Plunkett:

This letter is in response to your July 29, 2002 correspondence. I reviewed the Taxicab Authority's ("TA") Bill Draft Request ("BDR") amending NRS 706.8826, which would allow the TA to receive a 20¢ trip charge versus the 15¢ trip charge, and an increase in application/renewal fees to hold a TA permit.

After a thorough review of the TA's budget, it appears quite obvious the TA needs increased revenue to recover from the industry fallout after September 11 and continue to operate in a manner that properly regulates our industry. Whittlesea Blue Cab and Henderson Taxi concur fully with your request and will support the BDR.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely, WHITTLESEA-BELL

Brent Bell Chief Operating Officer







BELL UNITED INSURANCE CO.



HENDERSON TA



BELL LIMO



LAS VEGAS STRIP TROLLEY



PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE



WHITTLESEA CHECKER TAXI, INC

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SYDNEY H. WICKLIFFE, C.P.A. Director



### STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY TAXICAB AUTHORITY

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### Memorandum

To:

Sydney Wickliffe, Director of the Nevada Department of Business & Industry

From:

John R. Plunkett III, Administrator

CC:

Date:

July 31, 2002

Re:

Proposed Bill Draft Request (BDR) from Taxicab Authority

On July 31, 2002, John R. Plunkett III, Administrator for the Nevada Taxicab Authority, had a conversation with Herb Tobman, owner of Western Cab Company. During this conversation, the Taxicab Authority's proposed Bill Draft Request (BDR) for the 2003 Nevada Legislature was discussed. Mr. Tobman advised that as the owner and spokesman of Western Cab Company, he fully supports the proposed increase in trip charge from 15 cents per trip to 20 cents per trip.



August 27, 2002

John Plunkett, Administrator State of Nevada Taxicab Authority 1785 East Sahara, Suite 200 Las Vegas, Nevada 89158

Dear Mr. Plunkett:

I am writing in response to your proposed increase of the tripcharge tax paid by the cab companies to fund the operations of the Taxicab Authority and our regulation.

As you are aware we have requested rate increases twice since the September 11th tragedy and subsequent economic slowdown in order to cover ever increasing costs. Your proposed increase would cost Desert Cab approximately \$80,000.00 on an annual basis. I appreciate your dilemma in trying to run an agency in these challenging times. I propose that since legislative approval is necessary to adopt this increase that we change some other fees currently being charged to the cab companies in order to lessen the bite of the proposed 33% increase. We currently have to pay \$100.00 per medallion on an annual basis as well as \$10.00 per medallion for temporary and special event medallions. These charges cost Desert Cab approximately \$10,000.00 a year and are a bookkeeping nightmare. Perhaps you would consider eliminating these fees and bookkeeping as a compromise in these tough times.

Mr. Plunkett I want you to understand that I do support your much needed increase I am just trying to avoid going backwards after getting our much needed increase.

I believe the Taxicab Authority provides a much needed and healthy regulation of the taxi industry in Clark County. Both the Authority and the companies depend on each other for continued prosperity and I look forward to working with you and the agency not only at the legislature but into the future.

I thank you for soliciting my thoughts on the proposed increase and hope that you feel free to get my thoughts on any future changes you might be considering at the Authority.

Sincerely.

President

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August 22, 2002

Ms. Kathalie Koche Budget Office State of Nevada Dept. of Business and Industry 1785 E. Sahara Avenue, Suite 200 Las Vegas, Nevada 89104

Re: Fee Increase by the Taxicab Author ty

Dear Ms. Koche:

This letter shall serve to acknowledge Luc. Cab Company's receipt of a copy of the "BDR" request made by the Taxicab Authority and the memorandum submitted by Mr. Plunkett, Administrator for the Taxicab Authority, requesting an increase in the per trip charge fee from \$.15 cents to \$.20 c nts.

We are also aware of the fact that the Taxic b Authority has sustained a short-fall in revenues as a result of 1 ie September 11, 2001 terrorist attack. Given these circumstances, Lucky Cab fully supports the TA's request for a fee increase and we believe the same is needed to enable the agency to continue to perform its duties and obligations to the industry and the pullic.

If you have any questions with respect to this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

JASON A. AWAD & ASS CS.

JASON A. AWAD, ES ... Owner of Lucky Ca

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cc: Mr. John R. Plunkett Administrator

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### Boulder Cab Inc. dba Deluxe Taxicab Service

July 26, 2002

John R. Plunkett III Administrator State of Nevada Taxicab Authority 1785 East Sahara, Suite 200 Las Vegas, Nevada 89104

Dear Mr. Plunkett:

Deluxe TaxiCab Service is aware of the increasing costs to the transportation industry as a whole. We also understand that future budget cuts could adversely affect the State of Nevada Taxicab Authority.

The State of Nevada Taxicab Authority provides a necessary service to our industry. Budget cuts that affect them could lower the standards that we are accustom to. Deluxe TaxiCab Service is in support of raising the trip charges from fifteen cents to twenty cents that are payable to the State of Nevada Taxicab Authority monthly.

If you should have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (702) 567-0090.

Very truly yours,

Richard R. Flaven

President

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911 San Gabriel Avenue, Henderson, NV 89015 702-568-7700 / 702-566-6282 Fax H 9,16

### A Cab, LLC Serving West and North Las Vegas Established 2000 1901 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street Las Vegas, Nevada 89104

John R Plunkett III, Administrator Department of Business and Industry Taxicab Authority 1785 East Sahara Avenue, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89104

August 5, 2002

Re: Trip Charge Increase

Dear Mr. Plunkett:

Regarding the proposed increase of the Trip Charge from the current \$.15 per ride to \$.20 per ride, A Cab is in support of Taxicab Authority's request. The management and staff of A Cab appreciate the hard work and vigilance of the TA, with its huge State mandate and small staff and budget funding. The proposed five-cent tax increase will have little financial effect upon the bottom line of our company and pales when considering the huge impact on the TA budget.

If this month's July, 2002 Trip Charge Return were to be filed using the new rate of \$.20, per trip, the difference for our company would be \$795.70. We are willing to bear this tax increase to insure the continued watchful eye, protection, education, and many other duties of your agency that we Taxi Companies have come to expect and rely upon.

I take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for your willingness to respond and guide us through these lean months of the last year and voice my personal appreciation of your leadership and dedication that has changed your agency so much for the better since your arrival last year. Good luck and please keep up the fine work.

Respectfully.

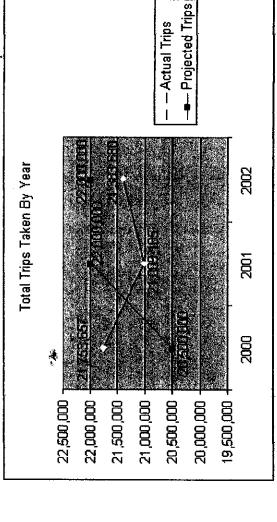
Jay Nady, Owner

A Cab, LLC

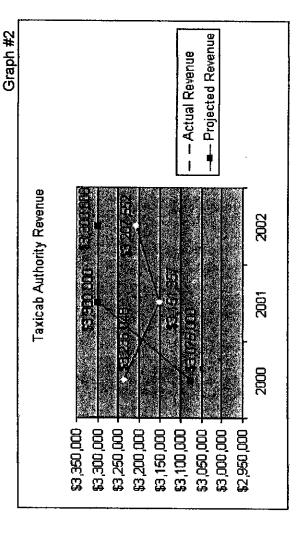
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### State of Nevada Taxicab Authority Trip Charge History

Inception of Taxicab Authority 1969 Trip Charge \$.05 cents per trip

Amended by Legislature 1977

Trip Charge \$. 10 cents per trip

Amended by Legislature 1987
Trip Charge \$. 15 cents per trip

### Clark Count, Nevada History of Taxicab Rate Charges

Following are the taxicab rates in Clark County, Nevada beginning in 1971.

1/27/1971	Drop for first 1/5 mile	\$.50	
	Each additional 1/5 mile	.10	
	Waiting time, per hour	5.00	
	Each passenger over three	.20	each
	McCarran Airport fee	.20	
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8/1 <b>5/</b> 1973	Drop for first 1/6 mile	\$.65	
	Each additional 1/6 mile	.10	
	Waiting time, per hour	7.20	
	Each passenger over three	.20	each
	McCarran Airport fee	.20	
0/20/4075	Dean for first 4/4 mile	\$.75	
8/ <b>20/</b> 1975	Drop for first 1/4 mile Each additional 1/4 mile	.20	
	Waiting time, per hour	10.00	
	Each passenger over three	.20	each
	McCarran Airport fee	.20	Cacii
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5/ <b>29/</b> 1979	Drop for first 1/4 mile	\$.85	
	Each additional 1/4 mile	.20	
	Waiting time, per hour	10.00	
	Each passenger over three	.20	each
	McCarran Airport fee	.20	
8/ <b>10</b> /1979	Drop for first 1/5 mile	\$.75	
0/10/13/3	Each additional 1/5 mile	.20	
	Waiting time, per hour	10.00	
	Each passenger over three	.20	each
	McCarran Airport fee	.20	
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4/1/1980	Drop for first 1/5 mile	\$.95	
	Each additional 1/5 mile	.20	
	Waiting time, per hour	10.00	
	Each passenger over three	.20	each
	McCarran Airport fee	.20	
10/5/1981	Drop for first 1/6 mile	\$1.40	
	Each additional 1/6 mile	20	
	Waiting time, per hour	12.00	_
	Each passenger over three	.20	each
	McCarran Airport fee	.20	

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4/11/1985	Drop for first 1/7 mile	\$1.70
	Each additional 1/7 mile	.20
	Waiting time, per hour	18.00
	Each passenger over three	.20 each
	McCarran Airport fee	.20
11/1/1988	McCarran Airport fee increased an	
	additional 40 cents	.60
7/1/1991	Drop for first 1/7 mile	\$2.20
	Each additional 1/7 mile	.20
	Waiting time, per hour	18.00
	per minute	.30
	McCarran Airport fee	.60
1/7/1992	McCarran airport fee increased an	
	additional .60	\$1.20
3/8/1 993	Drop for first 1/5th mile	\$2.20
	Each additional 1/5th mile	.30
	Waiting time, per hour	18.00
	per minute	.30
	McCarran airport fee	1.20
2/22/1997	Drop for first 1/5th mile	\$2.20
	Each additional 1/5th mile	.30
	Waiting time, per hour	21.00
	per minute	.35
	McCarran Airport fee	1.20
02/26/2000	Drop for first 1/8th mile	\$2.20
	Each additional 1/8th mile	0.20
	Waiting time, per hour	21.00
	per minute	0.35
	McCarran Airport fee	1.20
4/30/2001	Drop for first 1/17th mile	2.20
	Each additional 1/17th mile	.10
	Waiting time, per hour	21.00
	per minute	.35
	McCarran Airport fee	1.20
2/1/2002	Drop for first 1/9 mile	2.30
	Each additional 1/9 th mile	0.20
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Waiting time, per hour

Waiting time, per hour McCarran Airport fee

Drop for first 1/9 mile Each additional 1/9 th mile

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