[LTFRB MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2004-030, September 30, 2004]

SUBSTITUTION OF TAXI AND MEGA-TAXI UNITS

In line with the objective of the government to modernize the public land transport and in the interest of public service, all units proposed as substitutes to authorized taxi and mega-taxi units must be brand-new. A brand-new unit, for this purpose, means a unit manufactured in the current year or the preceding year when the Application/Petition for Substitution is filed. The units proposed as substitutes must be equipped with a receipt issuing taximeter, approved and registered with the Bureau of Internal Revenue and capable of generating official receipts to be issued to the passengers.

For applicants/petitioners of Dropping and Substitution of unit/s under Taxi and Mega-Taxi denominations using Asian Utility Vehicle (AUV) as authorized unit/s, the same must be substituted only with brand-new four-door sedan vehicles.

Mega-Taxi and Taxi operators with AUV as their authorized units shall be allowed to continue their regular taxi operations until the expiration of their Certificates of Public Convenience (CPC). Should the said operators want to extend their CPC, the AUV units must be replaced by four-door sedan vehicles. Applications/Petitions for Extension of Validity of a CPC to operate a Mega-Taxi Service or Taxi Service with AUV units shall no longer be accepted unless replaced by four-door sedan vehicles, and the franchise of such units shall be deemed abandoned, cancelled and revoked.

All other issuances or parts hereof, which are inconsistent herewith, are therefore modified or superseded accordingly.

This Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days following the filing of three (3) copies hereof with the UP Law Center, pursuant to Presidential Memorandum Circular No. 11, dated 09 October 1992.

SO ORDERED.

Adopted: 30 Sept. 2004

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