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LANJ Assists NLA on We Drive U Concern

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On August 17 Global Ground Automation (GGA) announced that it would not pursue its previously publicized agreement to provide a WeDriveU service option on the GGA “switch” for corporate clients. LANJ recognizes NLA president Diane Forgy for addressing this serious concern for the industry. LANJ president Tim Rose, board member David Seelinger and executive director Barry Lefkowitz also were actively engaged in seeking the decision reversal.

By law in the State of New Jersey, the template of rent-a-vehicle/rent-a-chauffeur must adhere to the exact same requirements, including finger printing/criminal background checks, insurance requirements, vehicle registration, operator and driver registration, that every New Jersey chauffeured transportation operator must follow. Additionally, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ) has advised WeDriveU and their often partner Avis Rental Car that their Port Authority location operations are in violation of the Avis contract with the Port Authority.

Recently, however, WeDriveU signs have been spotted at Newark Liberty International Airport. When notified of this, LANJ contacted the PANYNJ regarding possible violations. Since then LANJ also has requested a meeting with NYC TLC Commissioner David Yassky to discuss both a NYC ordinance and a state law to prohibit any service that does not meet across-the-board chauffeured transportation requirements.

Should you witness any activity by WeDriveU, please notify Barry Lefkowitz immediately at (609) 267-2855.

Window Tinting Issue Heats Up Between NJ and NY

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LANJ has taken an aggressive approach to dealing with the growing “tinted window” problem that faces operators doing business in New York. This has been in response to members having received up to four tickets at a time by a New York Police Department, Port Authority Police Department and/or NYC Taxi Limousine Commission officer at John F. Kennedy International Airport. Because this is contrary to reciprocal agreements that are in place between New Jersey and New York, LANJ has asked Chief Administrator Raymond Martinez of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission to become involved on members’ behalf and alert the various law enforcement entities in New York that, under the law and reciprocity, a New Jersey vehicle that has passed inspection for window tinting must be recognized as operating legally by New York officials. Additionally Matt Daus, former NYC TLC commissioner and now LANJ general counsel, has reached out to the PANYNJ commander and TLC authorities to clarify the issue.

Port Authority Closes Station Road Entrance and Exit at Newark Airport

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LANJ was notified on August 17 that the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ) plans to erect a gate that will close off the entrance to Station Road to prevent unauthorized traffic to and from the Newark Liberty International Airport “limo lot.” Chauffeurs wanting to wait in the limo lot now must use Bessemer Road for access.

NYC TLC Commissioner Yassky Invited Keynote Speaker for September 21st Luncheon

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NYC TLC Commissioner David Yassky has been invited to keynote the LANJ luncheon meeting on September 21. A-1 Limousine of Princeton will host the gathering that is being sponsored by [Hudson Toyota](#), [BeTransported.com](#) and Lakeview Custom Coach’s industry stalwart Pete Corelli. LANJ general counsel Matt Daus also will be on hand at the meeting to provide a status report on the window tinting issue (above) and LANJ president Tim Rose will give an update on the WeDriveU matter (also above).

Meeting Location: Clarion Hotel Palmer Inn, 3499 Route 1 South, Princeton, NJ 08540
(877) 894-4461

Time: 12:00PM

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