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Albany, New York

May 20, 2015

TO: All Enforcement Agencies and Magistrates

SUBJECT: Non-Commercial Pickup Truck Registration Weight Threshold

Pursuant to amendments to Part 106.6 of the Commissioner's Regulations, effective June 4, 2015, there is an increase in the weight threshold for registering pickup trucks in the passenger class from 5,500 pounds to 6,000 pounds.

The regulation provides that a pickup truck which is used exclusively for non-commercial purposes with an unladen weight of six thousand pounds or less, and with no business advertising may receive a passenger registration, at the registrant's option, as defined in Subdivision (b) of Part 106.6. The regulation also provides that this applies to pickup trucks weighing six thousand pounds or less that are leased and rented, provided that the lessee or renter of the pickup truck certifies on a form that the pickup truck shall be used exclusively for non-commercial purposes. The certification from the leasing company is a prerequisite and no rental or leasing company shall permit the registration of a pickup truck if the renter or lessee fails to complete the certification. Also, no rental or leasing company shall permit the registration of a pickup truck if the company knows or has reason to know that the renter or lessee is operating a pickup truck for commercial purposes.

Please share this information with your staff. Thank you.

Gregory Kline
Deputy Commissioner

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STATE OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Pursuant to the authority contained in Sections 215(a), 401(7) and 401(15) of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles hereby amends the Regulations of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles as follows:

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Subdivision (b) of Part 106.6 is amended to read as follows:

(b) A pickup truck which is used exclusively for non-commercial purposes with an unladen weight of [five] six thousand [and five hundred] pounds or less, and with no business advertising may receive a passenger registration, at the registrant's option. This subdivision shall also apply to pick-up trucks weighing [five] six thousand [and five hundred] pounds or less that are leased and rented, provided that the lessee or renter of the pickup truck certifies on a form, provided by the leasing or rental company, that the pickup truck shall be used exclusively for non-commercial purposes. No rental or leasing company shall permit the registration of a pickup truck if the renter or lessee fails to complete the certification required by this subdivision or if such company knows or has reason to know that the renter or lessee is operating a pickup truck for commercial purposes.

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