

City of Chicago Business Affairs and Consumer Protection PUBLIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY NOTICE

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City of Chicago Launches *Drive Clean Taxi* to Spur the Adoption of <u>Alternative Fuel Vehicles in Public Passenger Vehicle Fleets</u>

More than \$1 Million in incentives soon to be available for electric and natural gas vehicles

The City's Drive Clean Chicago program today announced plans to deploy as many as 120 clean vehicles on Chicago's streets through the new Drive Clean Taxi program. Drive Clean Chicago, an arm of the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT), is partnering with CALSTART, a non-profit organization dedicated to accelerating the growth of clean transportation alternatives.

About Drive Clean Chicago

Drive Clean Chicago is an innovative incentive program aimed at creating a roadmap for a greater alternative fuel transportation network for Chicago. Given the fluctuation in fuel costs, vehicle emissions, and the lack of infrastructure for alternative fuels, Drive Clean Chicago provides important incentives to help Chicago fleet owners purchase cleaner vehicles that are better for business and the environment. The program is funded by resources from the federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) program and supports Mayor Emanuel's mission to make Chicago the most livable, sustainable and competitive city in the world.

- ♦ A taxicab medallion license owner or taxicab medallion license manager that is interested in taking advantage of the program should encourage dealerships to sign-up as an eligible vendor at this time. Any questions or assistance can be provided by sending an email to Info@DriveCleanChicago.com.
- ◆ Drive Clean Taxi Voucher Program fact sheet is attached.

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