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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** November 13, 2008  
**TO:** MGSA Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Paul Berlant, Executive Officer  
**SUBJECT:** AGENDA ITEM **D-1**: TAXICAB REGULATION PROGRAM UPDATE

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Recommendation: Receive this report and provide direction as necessary.

Background:

The latest statistics reflect the following: Driver Permits issued-117, one of which has been rescinded; Driver Permits pending-16; Driver Permit applications failed or incomplete-23; Taxicab businesses which have applied for a permit-15; Vehicles to be permitted-approximately 75.

Jeff Rawles met with Police Chiefs on October 9<sup>th</sup> to brief the chiefs on the police departments' role in ordinance enforcement. Mr. Rawles was met with assurances that the police will do their part as the local agencies' staff on the street. Two departments have affirmatively responded that they will begin enforcement.

Jeff Rawles and I made a presentation to the Marin Manager's Association on October 30<sup>th</sup>, providing an update for the Town/City Managers, CAO. Staff raised the issue of fees as well. The response of the managers can generally be characterized as positive, looking forward to full implementation of the program and supporting full cost recovery through fees from the taxicab industry. Staff also raised the question of confusion with City Clerks on their role with driver business licenses. The managers generally agreed that business licenses are a separate matter from MGSA fees and should be handled by each jurisdiction.