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To Whom It May Concern

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the proposed point to point transport regulation.

I would like to start by pointing out that the taxi industry has been operating at a distinct disadvantage with regards to ridesharing and the clear uneven rules that apply to both parties. Aside from all the regulations that continually apply to us it would seem that none have been applied to ridesharing companies.

After reading the paper I would like to comment on the training and language requirements . Previously the taxi school's included practical work to ensure that drivers where trained in how to operate the meter and radio. You also had a driving test with an instructor to prove that you did indeed know the main roads of Sydney. I believe that the industry would greatly benefit from the reintroduction of parts of this to ensure that the public has the best experience when they choose to use a taxi.

As stated in Division 2- #43 Record of passenger service transactions - I believe that both ridesharing and taxi's need to keep this for 2 years.

Division 3 - Authorisation Fees - #45 - Whilst it states that there will be authorisation fees, it does not state whether a photo identification is needed for ridesharing vehicles, I believe that this should be the case even though when you sign up to becoming a ridesharing driver this identification is essential.

Part 6 , Division 1 - Driver obligations for passenger services generally, while it states various obligation of a taxi and passenger vehicle it nowhere states whether ridesharing vehicles are allowed to carry children, what the alcohol consumption is, at what age are they required to conduct regular health check particularly if they have a medical condition that can potential put lives at risk for example Epilepsy.

It would also be prudent for public hire vehicles to have the appropriate car insurance for their vehicles as they do carrying the public and must have appropriate cover.

Thank you for your time.

Regards
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