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To all Consultees

Dear Consultee

FORMAL CONSULTATION: REVISED SENIOR TRAFFIC COMMISSIONER'S STATUTORY GUIDANCE AND DIRECTIONS INCORPORATING AMENDMENTS AS A RESULT OF THE NEW EU REGULATIONS

I am writing on behalf of the Acting Senior Traffic Commissioner to advise you that formal consultation on the revised Statutory Guidance and Statutory Directions commenced on 1 November 2011.

The consultation is a follow-up to the one that commenced in January 2011 and has arisen as a result of a revision to the above documents to take account of the requirements of the new EU Regulations, which will be introduced on 4 December 2011. In view of the urgency in which the guidance and directions are required for use by traffic commissioners and their deputies, support staff at the Office of the Traffic Commissioner, stakeholders and the wider industry, the consultation will be limited to 3 weeks.

The revised documents also take into account responses received to the original consultation therefore we are only interested in receiving comments relating to the EU Regulations.

The titles of the documents upon which the Acting Senior Traffic Commissioner is consulting are listed below: (to delete as appropriate)

- Good repute and fitness
- Finance
- Transport managers
- Operating Centres, stable establishments and addresses for service
- Legal entities
- Vocational driver conduct
- Impounding
- Delegation of Authority
- Case management
- The Principles of decision making and the concept of proportionality
- Written reasons, decisions and publication
- Appeals

The consultation, including details on how to respond, will be accessible via the Department for Transport's website with effect from 8 November 2011 at the following address www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/open/. The closing date for responses is 22 November 2011.

If you have any queries regarding the consultations please contact the Office of the Senior Traffic Commissioner by email at sstc@otc.gsi.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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