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All Motor Vehicle Dealers / Importers

All Electronic Service Agents

Dear Sir / Madam

EXTENSION AND/OR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE:

**(I) ENHANCED VEHICULAR EMISSIONS SCHEME (“VES”); AND
(II) ELECTRIC VEHICLE EARLY ADOPTION INCENTIVE (“EEAI”); AND
ADOPTION OF WORLDWIDE HARMONISED LIGHT VEHICLES TEST
PROCEDURE (“WLTP”) AS THE SOLE TEST PROCEDURE FOR PASSENGER
CARS AND TAXIS**

1. We refer to the joint news release issued by the National Environment Agency (“NEA”) and the Land Transport Authority (“LTA”) on 21 September 2023 (see **Appendix A**).
2. Please be reminded that the EEAI and \$0 Additional Registration Fee (ARF) floor which apply to fully electric cars and taxis, will be extended till 31 December 2025 (i.e. two-year extension) and 31 December 2024¹ (i.e. one-year extension), respectively.
3. **From 1 January 2024 till 31 December 2024**, the pollutant thresholds and the applicable rebates for the enhanced VES will be adjusted. In addition, owners who register fully electric cars and taxis during the same period (i.e. from 1 January 2024 till 31 December 2024) will receive a rebate of 45% off the ARF at a **revised cap of \$15,000 (lowered from \$20,000)**. The EEAI and enhanced VES will apply to individual and fleet vehicle owners, such as taxi and car rental companies. They will also apply to imported used cars (excluding taxis as they must be brand new for registration). Please also be reminded that Singapore will fully adopt the WLTP as the sole test procedure for passenger cars and taxis registered **from 1 January 2024**. Please refer to the joint news release at Appendix A for more information.

¹ \$0 ARF floor for fully electric cars and taxis. Non-fully electric cars and taxis, such as hybrid and ICE propellants, continue to be subject to a minimum ARF floor of \$5,000 (after utilisation of VES rebates, if any).

Vehicle Approval Codes (“VACs”) of unregistered passenger cars and taxis approved prior to 1 January 2024

4. Please be reminded that the existing VACs approved for unregistered passenger cars and taxis that do not contain the requisite WLTP emissions² values will be invalidated after **31 December 2023** and they can no longer be used for vehicle registration. As such, all registration applications for passenger cars and taxis (with existing VACs) that have been created in the LTALink System (i.e. in ‘Save-As-Draft’ state) will also be invalidated after **31 December 2023**, if they do not contain the WLTP emissions values.

Vehicle Inspection and Type Approval System (“VITAS”) Pre-Registration Inspection for Re-submitted Cars and Taxis

5. Motor dealers with VACs for unregistered passenger cars and taxis that were previously approved but do not contain the WLTP emissions values will have to re-apply for approval in the VITAS with supporting documents containing the WLTP emissions values. For such passenger cars and taxis undergoing VITAS approval again, LTA will waive the VITAS pre-registration inspection requirement, subject to the following conditions:

- a. The passenger car/taxi had previously passed pre-registration inspection and was issued with an Inspection Acknowledgement letter (“IAL”); and
- b. The IAL must be submitted into VITAS when the motor dealer/importer re-applies for VITAS batch approval³.

6. Motor dealers are strongly encouraged to re-apply for approval in VITAS early to avoid any processing delays in the event of an unexpected surge in the number of applications later in 4Q 2023.

VES Label

7. A new VES label will replace the existing VES labels that will expire on **31 December 2023**. The new label will be available for download by 31 December 2023. Please be reminded that all new cars that are subject to the fuel economy and vehicular emissions requirements must be affixed with the new VES labels on the front windscreen of the vehicle when it is displayed for sale from **1 January 2024**.

8. If the vehicle displayed within/outside of the showroom or at public event/venue (such as at a road show and in a pop-up store) is not meant for sale (e.g. for storage purposes, pending LTA’s approval or awaiting delivery to customers, and hence does not have the requisite VES label), a “NOT FOR SALE” signage must be displayed prominently on the windscreen of the vehicle. Otherwise, the vehicle should be kept out of the public’s view (e.g. covered up). Please do not display both “NOT FOR SALE” signage and VES label on the same vehicle as this would confuse potential car buyers.

² Carbon dioxide (CO₂), hydrocarbons (HC), carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen oxides (NO_x) and particulate matter (PM) emissions.

³ All cars and taxis in the batch must have an IAL (i.e. there cannot be a mix of cars and taxis with and without IAL in the same VITAS batch application).

Requirements on Printed Promotional Materials

9. All printed promotional materials such as newspaper advertisements, sales brochures and handouts used for marketing, advertising or promotion of any new and imported used passenger car for sale locally shall include the following information:

- a. The fuel consumption in litres per 100 kilometres (l/100km) or electric energy consumption in kilowatt hours per 100 kilometres (kWh/100km), or both (where applicable) for the combined driving cycle of the car; and
- b. VES banding (i.e. A1, A2, B, C1, C2) of the car.

10. Promotional materials in digital formats and online platforms such as websites are not subject to the above requirements. However, motor dealers are encouraged to include the fuel economy and vehicular emissions information of their vehicles on the online platforms to allow vehicle buyers to make more informed decisions in shifting to vehicles with lower emissions.

11. You may also wish to note that for electric and plug-in hybrid passenger cars/taxis, the Emission Factor used to account for the CO₂ emissions produced for every unit of electricity generated from the burning of fossil fuels at the power stations in Singapore will remain unchanged at 0.4g CO₂/Wh of electricity till **31 December 2024**.

12. Please inform your members of the above. Should you have any enquiries or require any assistance on:

- a. WLTP for passenger cars and taxis, VITAS applications and VES label, you may contact Mr Han Hang Kwang on DID: 6553 5263 or Mr Garlice Kwek on DID: 6553 5164; or
- b. VES rebates/surcharges and EEAI, you may contact Ms Grace Mah on DID: 6553 5207 or Mr Rivian Tay on DID: 6553 5714.

13. Thank you.

Yours sincerely



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