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To: Portfolio Committee 6
Subject: RE: Inquiry into the operation of the Point to Point Transport (Taxis and Hire Vehicles) Act 2016 - Post-hearing responses - 19 August 2020

Dear Shaza

I have read the transcript and can confirm that it is an accurate transcription of the evidence that I presented to the Committee.

May I please seek the Committee's approval to include a footnoted clarification to a statement that I made during my evidence. On page 3 of the transcript I said:

"Another area where we believe things are getting worse is compliance with the requirements of the disability standards for accessible public transport insofar as they relate to the use of tactile numbers on the front door of taxis. Some of the newer entrants into the taxi market do not appear to know about that requirement, so our clients report to us an increasing number of cases where they are unable to identify the taxi by its number because the number is not there in a tactile form that they can read."

It was subsequently drawn to my attention that S.17.7 of the disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport requires that raised taxi registration numbers be placed on the exterior of passenger doors, not just the front door. I therefore request that a footnote be inserted after the words "front door" that clarifies that these numbers must be placed on passenger doors.

Please let me know if you require further information.

Bruce