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Revisions to COMAR 20.90 and COMAR 20.95 – Screening Standards

Administrative Docket RM60

NOTICE OF INITIATING RULE MAKING

The Public Service Commission ("Commission") hereby initiates an Administrative Docket, RM 60, to consider revisions to the Code of Maryland Regulations ("COMAR") 20.90 and 20.95 regarding screening standards to be developed for the purpose of licensing for hire drivers by the Maryland Commission. These standards should include a listing of both prior driving offenses and prior criminal offenses that would bear on the fitness of for-hire drivers, including limousine, sedan, Transportation Network Operators and taxicabs.

The Commission hereby directs its Technical Staff ("Staff") to develop and submit proposed regulations for Commission consideration that include such screening standards to be utilized during the application review process for licensing a for-hire drive in Maryland. The Staff shall file such proposed regulations with the Commission's Executive Secretary by June 15, 2017. Subsequent to receipt of the Staff's proposed regulations, the Commission will provide RM60 February 6, 2017 Page 2 of 2

notice of a future rule making session and a request for interested stakeholders to submit comments regarding the proposed regulations.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ David J. Collins

David J. Collins Executive Secretary