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## CPUC ENTERS INTO OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH UBER

SAN FRANCISCO, January 31, 2013 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today said that it has entered into an agreement with Uber Technologies, Inc. under which the company can operate while the CPUC's ridesharing rulemaking is underway.

On Dec. 20, 2012, the CPUC said it would evaluate services like Uber via a new proceeding in order to protect public safety and encourage innovation in the transportation of passengers over public highways for compensation.

The terms of the agreement are intended to ensure the public safety of both riders and drivers through the CPUC's interim oversight of Uber during the rulemaking through safety requirements that include continued proof of insurance, Department of Motor Vehicle checks, and national criminal background checks. Some of these safety requirements are triggered when and if Uber decides to utilize non-licensed charter party carriers.

With this agreement, the CPUC's Safety and Enforcement Division will suspend its cease and desist notice to Uber, as well as the \$20,000 citation issued on Nov. 13, 2012, pending the outcome of the CPUC's rulemaking.

For more information on the CPUC, pleas	e visit <u>www.cpuc.ca.gov</u> .
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