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**CPUC ISSUES FIRST PERMIT FOR
TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY**

SAN FRANCISCO, March 4, 2014 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today said that after a thorough review it has issued the first license for a Transportation Network Company (TNC) under public safety rules the CPUC created in September 2013.

After demonstrating to the CPUC that it met all the 28 rules and regulations for TNCs, Summon, formerly known as InstantCab, was issued an operating license from the CPUC. In issuing the license, the CPUC reviewed Summon's application, which included a driver training program, 19-point car inspection program, and providing proof of a commercial liability insurance policy with a minimum of \$1 million per-incident coverage.

To ensure that public safety is not compromised by the operation of transportation services that use an online-enabled platform to connect passengers with drivers who use their personal, non-commercial vehicles, the CPUC established 28 rules and regulations for TNCs. The rules include the requirements that TNCs must:

- Obtain a license from the CPUC to operate in California;
- Require each driver to undergo a criminal background check;
- Establish a driver training program;
- Implement a zero-tolerance policy on drugs and alcohol;

- Hold a commercial liability insurance policy that is more stringent than the CPUC's current requirement for limousines, requiring a minimum of \$1 million per-incident coverage for incidents involving TNC vehicles and drivers in transit to or during a TNC trip, regardless of whether personal insurance allows for coverage; and,
- Conduct a 19-point car inspection.

A second phase of the CPUC's TNC proceeding will review the CPUC's existing regulations over limousines and other charter party carriers to ensure that public safety rules are up to date and responsive to the needs of today's transportation market. Additionally, the CPUC will ensure that the overarching goals of public safety, equity, and innovation are being achieved through the continued monitoring of the industry. The CPUC can clarify or modify its TNC requirements, if needed.

The CPUC is currently working with other TNC applicants to complete their applications before issuing operating licenses.

Information on TNCs is available at www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/Enforcement/TNC.

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