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MEMORANDUM

TO: Certified Program Owners
FR: Kecia Bivins, Division Director of Regulatory Compliance
DA: February 17, 2015
RE: New Administrative Rule Amendments

The Department of Driver Services is pleased to announce that the administrative rule and policy amendments regarding Third Party Testing are now effective. The changes were made in an effort to foster consistency and uniformity within our regulations and policies. The following amendments became effective on February 17, 2015:

- **DT Rule 375-5-2-.28** **Minimum Requirements for Examiners**
- **TPT Agreement Clause 3** **Licenses and Certifications**
The purpose of these amendments is to **increase the certification term of Examiners to four years**. The previous Driver Training Rule and Third Party Testing Agreement stipulated that the certification term was valid for a period of two years from the date of issuance. These amendments **extend the certification terms by two years** and are consistent with the existing certification terms for the other Regulated Programs (Risk Reduction, Driver Improvement, Driver Training, and Ignition Interlock). Please be advised that the amendment to **375-5-2-.29** that will increase the certification term for **Testers** is pending. Another memo will be disseminated once it becomes effective.
- **TPT Agreement Clause 4J** **Test Administration**
The purpose of this amendment is to **allow testing on State Holidays**. The previous Third Party Testing Agreement stipulated that testing was prohibited on State Holidays. The amendment **offers Testers the flexibility to offer services on State Holidays** and will be consistent with other Regulated Programs.
- **DT Rule 375-5-2-.31** **Notification Requirements**
The purpose of this amendment is to remove any reference of the 2006 Third Party Testing Pilot Program.

For the specific verbiage, please visit our website at www.dds.ga.gov/rules/index.aspx?head=375-5. The Department's staff looks forward to assisting and answering any questions you may have. We can be reached by phone at 678-413-8745 or via e-mail at reginfo@dds.ga.gov.

Thank you for helping to enhance the integrity of our regulated driver safety programs.