STATE OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Pursuant to the authority contained in Sections 215(a), 1196(5) and 1196(7)(a) of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles hereby amends the Regulations of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles as follows:

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Paragraph (8) of subdivision (a) of section 134.7 is amended to read as follows:

(8) The person has been penalized under section 1193(1)(d)[(1)] of the Vehicle and Traffic Law for any violation of subdivision 2, 2-a, 3, 4, or 4-a of section 1192 of such law.

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Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (11) of subdivision (a) of section 134.7 is amended to read as follows:

(i) The person has three or more alcohol- or drug-related driving convictions or incidents within the last [ten] twenty-five years. For the purposes of this paragraph, a conviction for a violation of section 1192 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, and/or a finding of a violation of section 1192-a of such law and/or a finding of refusal to submit to a chemical test under section 1194 of such law arising out of the same incident shall only be counted as one conviction or incident. The date of the violation or incident resulting in a conviction or a finding as described herein shall be used to determine whether three or more convictions or incidents occurred within a [10] 25 year period.

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Subdivision (b) of section 134.10 is amended to read as follows:

(b) Results of satisfactory completion of a rehabilitation program. Upon satisfactory completion of a program, any unexpired suspension or revocation which was issued as a result of the conviction for which the person was eligible for enrollment in the program may be terminated by the commissioner unless the termination is prohibited under section 1193 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law or this Subchapter, or if the termination is based upon enrollment in the program pursuant to the plea bargaining provisions of Vehicle and Traffic Law section 1192(10)(a)(ii) and 1192(10)(d), or if such person would not otherwise be eligible for enrollment in the program pursuant to section 1196(4) of such law, or if the person has two or more alcoholor drug-related driving convictions or incidents within the 25 year look back period from the date of the violation which resulted in enrollment in the program. For the purposes of this subdivision, the 25 year look back period means the period commencing upon the date that is 25

years before the date of the violation that resulted in enrollment in the program and ending on and including the date of such violation.

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Section 134.11 is amended to read as follows:

134.11 Issuance of unconditional driver's license.

Satisfactory completion of a rehabilitation program or expiration of the term of suspension, whichever occurs first, will initiate the necessary action to provide for the termination of the suspension or revocation which was the basis for entry into the rehabilitation program, provided however, no such suspension or revocation shall be terminated prior to the expiration of the term of suspension or revocation if the applicant for the unconditional license has two or more alcohol- or drug-related driving convictions or incidents within the preceding 25 years. For the purposes of this section, the preceding 25 years means the period commencing upon the date that is 25 years before the date of the violation that resulted in enrollment in the program and ending on and including the date of such violation. Upon a determination of satisfactory completion of the rehabilitation program or the term of suspension, and unless otherwise determined by the commissioner, as provided for in subdivision (b) of section 134.10 of this Part, a notice of termination of the suspension or revocation and an unconditional license will be issued. However, no such license will be issued until all civil penalties due the department are paid or if there are any outstanding suspensions, revocations, or bars against such license until such suspensions, revocations, or bars are satisfactorily disposed of by the applicant. Any conditional license which is still valid will be terminated concurrently with the return of the unconditional driver's license and must be returned to the department. A conditional license shall not be renewed more than one year after the issuance of the conditional license if a revocation is issued for a chemical test refusal and the holder of the conditional license has not paid the civil penalty required by section 1194 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

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