# NEW YORK STATE OF OPPORTUNITY. Department of Motor Vehicles

#### INFORMATION FOR PICK-UP TRUCK OWNERS

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### ◆ Choice of Registering as Passenger or Commercial

Pick-up trucks that are used exclusively as a personal vehicle may be registered in either the commercial or passenger class. In either case, you will pay a commercial registration fee and any commercial use tax applicable for your county (form MV-202C).

# Driving on Restricted-Use Roads

Registering in the passenger class allows you to drive the truck on roads and parkways in New York State that are restricted to only non-commercial traffic. In the past, most pick-up trucks had to be registered in the commercial class, meaning pick-up trucks cannot be driven on these restricted-use roads.

## ♦ Is This Change Right For You?

Registering in the passenger class may not be appropriate for all pick-up truck owners. There are numerous **parking restrictions** in New York City for passenger and commercial vehicles and plates. Any pick-up truck owner who frequently drives and parks in NYC should carefully consider whether registering in the passenger class will be helpful.

#### **♦** Cost to Make the Change

If you decide to change the registration to the passenger class, the fee is \$28.75. You must turn in your commercial plates and confirm on the registration application that the pick-up truck does not have advertising on any part of the truck. The truck may be covered by a tarp or cap.

If you register the truck for the first time, or renew your registration, you will pay \$25.00 for passenger plates and the regular registration fee.

## ♦ Custom Plates

In most cases, if the truck has commercial personalized custom plates, you can order the same custom plate in the passenger series. You will keep your current commercial custom plates until the new plates arrive, but you cannot drive on the parkways until you have the new plates. You will pay \$1.00 for a change of class transaction and the plate fee appropriate for your custom plate.

