TO: All Interested Parties
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Chairman and Chief Administrator
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SUBJECT: New Temporary Vehicle Registration Tags

Please be advised that the Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC) and automobile dealers statewide now have the ability to begin issuing a new form of Temporary Vehicle Registration Tag (see page 2). The new “temp tag” will be printed on-demand and placed in the license plate position on the rear of a vehicle. Features of the new tag include issue and expiration dates, vehicle make/model and the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN). Additionally, a link will soon be provided on the Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) that will allow law enforcement to verify the registration number in real-time.

Vehicle owners will be required to carry a temporary registration card in the vehicle. This card will be printed on the same paper as the temp tag and will be given to the customer at the time of purchase by the issuing dealership or the MVC.

The current style of resident temp tag that is displayed on the interior, rear window of the vehicle will remain in use until July 29, 2012 in order for automobile dealers to exhaust their supplies. The current style of non-resident temp tag will remain in use until July 19, 2012. After those dates, the old style resident and non-resident temp tags will no longer be considered valid for use on any vehicle. Motorcycle owners will also receive the new temp tags but will only be required to carry, not display them.

Additional information regarding the new temp tag program is available by contacting the MVC during normal business hours at (609) 984-1122 or by email at NJTEMP TAGS@dot.state.nj.us.