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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 88-001

SUBJECT : GUIDELINES ON THE USE OF DIGITAL TAXIMETERS

The compulsory use of digital taximeters previously ordered by the defunct Land Transportation Commission has been suspended pending the completion of an indepth study of the digital taximeter. The Board after having conducted a study of digital and mechanical taximeters, including a dialogue with taxicab operators, and after carefully weighing the merits of the case as well as the priorities of the taxi industry, hereby promulgates the following policy on the use of digital taximeters:

1. Taxicab operators are allowed to have a choice on the use of either digital or mechanical taximeters, provided, however, that taxicabs using digital taximeters shall paint the words "Equipped With Digital Taximeter" below the standard markings on the front doors of the vehicle.
2. Taxicab operators are free to choose the supplier of the digital taximeter, provided, however, that the taximeter to be used shall pass the test of the Motor Vehicle Inspection Division of the Land Transportation Office. The taxicab operators are advised to exercise care in the selection of such supplier by considering the financial standing and reputation of the supplier, as well as its capability to maintain and repair the taximeter.
3. Any operator who will attempt to deceive the riding public by printing the words "Equipped With Digital Taximeter" on the vehicle although the unit is not equipped

with such taximeter, shall be subject to the following penalties:

- A. Fine of P1,000.00 for the first offense
- B. Fine of P2,000.00 for the second offense,
- C. Revocation of the CPC for the third offense.

Any provisions of existing Memorandum Circulars that are inconsistent with the provision of this Memo are hereby repealed and superseded.

Quezon City, January 4, 1988.

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