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MEMORANDUM

To:

Municipal Court Judges

Municipal Court Directors and Administrators

From:

Glenn A. Grant, J.A.D.

Subject:

Red Light Camera Pilot Program - Yellow Light Certification

Date:

June 26, 2012

On June 19, 2012, the Department of Transportation (DOT) informed certain municipalities that the issuance of red light camera tickets at 63 of the State's 85 red light camera intersections should cease immediately and until such time that the DOT is provided with the proper certification by the municipal engineer that the duration of the amber light at the intersection(s) is in compliance with the time parameters established in N.J.S.A. 39:4-8.14(a)(3).

According to the communication from DOT, ticket issuance can resume at an identified red light camera intersection once DOT has received the required certification from the municipality. Municipalities have up to 45 days to submit the proper certification. Unless otherwise advised by DOT, red light camera tickets may continue to be issued at the 22 red light camera intersections not affected by the DOT directive. The attached list shows the 63 red light camera intersections affected by the DOT directive and the 22 intersections not affected

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide general guidance to the municipal courts regarding the handling of pending red light camera tickets that have been issued at the affected intersections. If a defendant contacts the court to contest an unpaid red light camera ticket issued at one of these intersections, the court should put the case on "Held" status pending the municipality's submission of the required certification to DOT. The same should be done for disposed cases where the defendant has contacted the court to ask that the matter be reopened on the basis of the DOT's action.

If a ticket was previously contested and the case already has been scheduled for court, the matter should be rescheduled and also place on "Held" status pending the municipality's submission and confirmation by DOT that the certification is acceptable. However, defendants with pending matters may, if they so choose, still plead guilty and pay their fine through the court's violations bureau or through NJMCDirect.

Any questions regarding this memorandum may be directed to Assistant Director Debra Jenkins at 609-984-8241 or by LotusNotes email.

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cc: Assignment Judges

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Daniel Smith, Chief

Status of Red Light Camera Intersections

As of June 20, 2012

Intersection(s) Impacted

Intersection(s)

Municipality

Intersection(s) Not Impacted Municipality Intersection(s) Deptford Twp. East Brunswick Twp. Gloucester Twp. Gloucester Twp. New Brunswick City Jersey City Woodbridge Twp. All except JFK and Communipaw Woodbridge Twp. All except US 1 and Avenel

JFK and Communipaw

Englewood Cliffs Boro.

Glassboro Boro.

Jersey City Lawrence Twp.

East Windsor Twp.

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Brick Twp. Cherry Hill Twp. Palisades Park Boro.

Monroe Twp.

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Newark City

Piscataway Twp.

Pohatcong Twp.

Roselle Park Boro.

Rahway City

Springfield Twp.

Strafford Boro.

US 1 and Avenel

Woodbridge Twp.

Wayne Twp.

Union Twp.