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FOIL REQUEST FORM

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Attn: Records Access Officer

FROM: (Please print your name, address, telephone # and email address)

Our email address: FOIL@tlc.nyc.gov

Your email address: wli37@smith.edu

I request the following record(s) under the Freedom of Information Law:

Please reasonably describe the record(s) you are requesting to allow us to identify any responsive document(s).

I have a few questions about some of the variables, and could you please help mw to answer them:

1. negative fare amount: I saw some negative fare amounts. Could you please tell me what situations lead to negative fare amount data entries? Broken meters?
2. zero fare amount: Some trips have zero fare amounts. Does it mean that the taxi driver cancelled the trip? Or does it mean that the passengers refused to pay the taxi fare?
3. negative tip amount: I saw some negative tip amounts. Could you please tell me what situations lead to negative tip amount data entries? Broken meters?
4. huge tolls amount: I saw some huge tolls amount. Do you know what might have caused that? One of the trips has a toll amount that is more than \$450.
5. passenger count: Did taxi drivers manually entered this data?
6. Do smaller taxi (5 seats) and bigger taxis (6 or 7 seats) have the same rate of fare?
7. Do green taxi and yellow taxis have the same rate of fare?

Please state the reason for your request: (optional)

I am Wencong Li (Priscilla), a senior at Smith College, MA. I am currently working on my thesis and I am using the TLC taxi data to do data analysis.

WENCONG LI

Signature

02/06/18

Date

This is a Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL") request. As such, your request will be considered under the Public Officer's Law, Article 6, Section 84 et seq. Subject to the provisions of this article, the Taxi and Limousine Commission, within five business days of the receipt of a written request for a record reasonably described, shall furnish a written acknowledgement of the receipt of such request.