ATTACHMENT B

ZION NATIONAL PARK
TAXI AND RECREATIONAL SHUTTLE
COMMERCIAL USE AUTHORIZATION

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. Authorized Use

Taxi Service, Hiker Shuttle Service is authorized for the point-to-point pick-up and drop-off of passengers in Zion National Park at designated parking areas, pullouts and developed areas. Passengers shall not be picked up or dropped off on roadways or in any area where traffic or terrain creates an unsafe condition.

The flagpole located on the west side of the Zion Canyon Visitor Center is the designated pick-up/drop-off area at the visitor center. This designated pick-up/drop-off area is not a parking space. The driver is required to remain with the vehicle while stopped in this area. During the period from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., the Interpretive Shuttle Bus has exclusive use of the flagpole area on the west side of the Visitor Center. Shuttle permittees may use the area for loading and unloading as long as this service does not conflict with the Interpretive Shuttle Bus.

Unauthorized Use

River Tubing Shuttle Service River tubing is prohibited in the park.

This permit does not authorize guided park tours (see Special Condition #9).

2. Operational Requirements A list of all vehicles and their license plate numbers to be used in the operation, and a list of drivers and a copy of their driver's license with taxi endorsement must be provided to the National Park Service before the permit is issued. It is the permittee's responsibility to continuously update the list of drivers and vehicles and provide proof that vehicles are covered by insurance. The park reserves the right to refuse entry to any previously undeclared driver or vehicle.

The driver of the vehicle shall be responsible for complying with the requirements of this permit, and ensuring that all passengers are familiar with the safety notice (see Special Condition #8). In addition, the driver shall be familiar with which park activities require a permit and that each passenger has the proper permit for those activities to which the passenger is being transported.

Gear may be tied to the top of the vehicle, carried inside of the vehicle, or transported in a trailer, but shall not be attached to the sides of the vehicle.

3. Speed Limits The speed limits for the following areas are established as prescribed below:

Zion-Mount Carmel Highway and Zion Canyon Scenic Drive:
35 miles per hour, as posted by signs.

The vicinity of the entrance stations, Zion Canyon Visitor Center, Zion Lodge, and approach to Temple of Sinawava: 25 miles per hour, as posted by signs.

Parking and Campground areas: 15 miles per hour, as posted by signs.

The passing of motor vehicles is prohibited throughout the park.

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4. **Closures and Public Use Limits** The following areas are closed or restricted as indicated below. Additional locations may be closed or restricted by the posting of appropriate signs.

Zion Canyon Scenic Drive will be limited to pedestrians, bicyclists, shuttle buses, private vehicles driven by Lodge guests, and tour bus groups during the shuttle season. Travel in Zion Canyon above the Lodge is restricted to all motor vehicles except the shuttle buses.

The Permittee is prohibited from traveling up the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive from approximately April through October.

Additional closed areas: Behind the administrative offices, in the employee housing areas, behind locked gates, near water tanks, beyond fences, on service roads, or in construction areas.

Parking and stopping along park roads is prohibited except at designated parking areas or pull-offs. All vehicles must be kept on established roadways, and there shall be no interference with pedestrians or other traffic in the park. **Parking and stopping in shuttle bus stops is prohibited during shuttle operation season.**

5. **Shuttle System** The shuttle system serving the park and the Town of Springdale will operate from approximately April through October. Shuttles will operate continuously throughout the day. Travel in the six-mile Zion Canyon Scenic Drive is limited to pedestrians, bicyclists, shuttle buses, private vehicles driven by Lodge guests, and tour bus groups. Travel in Zion Canyon above the Lodge is restricted to all motor vehicles except the shuttle buses.

6. **Accidents** All accidents are to be reported to the nearest ranger station as soon as possible.

7. **Revenues** **It is understood that the holder of this permit shall not develop a business based to any great extent on revenues generated through visiting the park.**

8. **Safety Notice** **Permittees shall post a safety notice and advise all participants to read this notice.** Information contained in this notice shall include, but not be limited to, water safety and resource protection. Leaders should remind participants that heatstroke is a real danger in the desert. Participants should be advised to drink lots of water, eat snacks, and wear hats and sunscreen to minimize sun exposure. The safety notice shall advise passengers that information on the park, including safety information, is available at the visitor center during normal working hours. Additional information that could be displayed is location of comfort stations and other information deemed necessary and appropriate by the permittee. The National Park Service reserves the right to review safety notices.

9. **Commercial Interpretive Services** **Permittees may provide interpretive or instructional services on the trails with proper permitting. Leading interpretive talks or walks without proper permitting is a violation of your permit and may result in revocation of permit privileges. Park policy prohibits commercially guided backpacking, climbing, and canyoneering within the park.**

10. **Search and Rescue Expenses** The Permittee shall pay the cost for any search and rescue efforts the park

conducts on behalf of the permit holder which exceeds every day budgeted park expenses.

11. **Entrance Fees** **Each time the permittees enter the park, they must identify themselves, show a copy of the CUA, and state that they are transporting visitors. This will enable the Zion entrance station/Kolob Visitor Center personnel to verify that you are on the approved list for commercial activities.** The entrance fees per person are $12.00. The vehicle and driver have free entry into the park. **Individuals or groups who have previously paid the entrance fee must show proof of prior payment.** Individuals who previously entered on a commercial bus shall be required to pay the per person entrance fee. **Permittees may not use personal annual or lifetime federal recreational land passes to gain entry to the park for themselves or their customers when conducting business.** Passengers may use an annual or lifetime federal recreational land pass according to the parameters of the pass. No fee will be collected from an empty vehicle entering the Park for the purpose of picking up passengers. **Tunnel escort fees are required for all vehicles over 7' 10" wide and/or 11' 4" high.**

12. **Monitoring** The Superintendent shall have the right to monitor permittee's activity for compliance with all aspects of this permit. **Drivers shall carry a copy of the approved CUA and present it to any park official upon request. Monitoring costs may be charged.** These costs start when the permittee arrives in the area to perform the permitted use and ends when the permitted use is over and the permittee leaves the area. This includes all costs for personnel and material, as well as all follow-up needed in returning the area to its original condition. Monitoring costs would vary depending on park staff involved. A Park Ranger would cost approximately $50.00 per hour for a minimum of three hours of monitoring.

13. **Soil Erosion** The Permittee shall take adequate measures, as directed and approved by the Superintendent, to restrict and prevent soil erosion on the lands covered hereby and shall so utilize such lands as not to contribute to erosion on adjoining lands.

14. **No Right of Renewal** No right of renewal attaches hereto. Upon expiration of this permit, the viability of this service inside the park shall be reviewed and the Superintendent shall determine if authorization of this service shall continue under an Incidental Business Permit. If a determination is made to continue the service under this type of authorization, permittee may then apply for a new permit.

15. **Driver & Guide Responsibilities** It is the responsibility of the permittee to ensure that all employees are informed of, understand, and abide by the conditions of the permit.
Any permit condition violations can result in punitive action (fine, revocation of permit and or arrest) against both the representative (guide), and the permittee.

The individual designated as the leader shall be certified in CPR and First Aid.

16. **Resource Protection Message**

- Collecting or removing from the park any natural or cultural resource, or damaging or defacing any natural or cultural resource is prohibited.
- All food scraps (fruit peels, nut shells, etc.) are considered trash and must be disposed of properly. It is a violation to feed the wildlife, including squirrels.
- Take only pictures - leave no evidence of your visit.