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The Editor
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Dear Editor

I refer to your most recent edition of MTA Journal. I enjoyed reading your magazine and found it to be of high quality and containing a diverse range of topics.

I would however, welcome information from the MTA on what its position on ridesharing is, particularly given the MTA represents the NSW Hire Car Industry.

As you would be aware, ridesharing is an illegal form of public passenger transport as it does not meet the regulatory requirement of either taxis or hire cars as set out by the NSW Passenger Transport Act, 1990. Moreover, ridesharing takes away the legitimate business of taxi and hire car operators, all of whom are required to comply with the law.

The NSW Taxi Council has been particularly disturbed by the propensity of some ridesharing operators to defy the law by continuing to promote and provide ridesharing services.

Your advice on the position of the MTA in relation to this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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Chief Executive Officer