

MEDIA RELEASE

ComfortDelGro Cabbies Provide 200 Free Taxi Trips To Deliver Gifts To Beneficiaries of the Boys' Brigade Sharity Gift Box

16 December 2008 – Starting from today until 30 December, 35 ComfortDelGro cabbies from the CabbyCare Charity Group (“CabbyCare”) will be foregoing two hours of their time daily to deliver 2,000 food hampers to 1,000 beneficiaries of The Boys’ Brigade Sharity Gift Box (BBSGB). In all, the cabbies will be providing 200 free taxi trips, which translate to about \$6,000 in fares that they are foregoing.

But the cabbies do not mind a bit. One CabbyCare member, 50-year-old Cabby Chong Miaw Choo, a rookie cabby of eight months, unreservedly volunteered herself when she heard about BBSGB. She said: “If the simple act of sacrificing two hours of my break time can make a difference to someone’s life, I’m more than willing to do it. I can easily put in the extra hours after the delivery.”

Mr Yang Ban Seng, CEO (ComfortDelGro Taxi Business) was full of praise for the cabbies. He said: “It heartens us to see our cabbies taking time and effort to participate in this meaningful project and we are more than happy to help fulfil the Christmas wishes of the less fortunate together with The Boys’ Brigade.”

This morning, Cabby Chong and her peers will convey BB boys, Team Singapore athletes and Singapore Sports Council staff to deliver gifts to about 125 families. On average, about 20 ComfortDelGro taxis will be out every day making deliveries to some 100 needy families over the next two and a half weeks.

CabbyCare is not new to such voluntary efforts. The 100-strong volunteer group made up of ComfortDelGro cabbies has been delivering unsold bread and meals to the less fortunate on a daily basis for five years.