



Department of the Secretary of State
Bureau of Motor Vehicles

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Dear Municipal Agent:

The Bureau of Motor Vehicles will soon issue title number 9,999,999. Since the title number field in our system is only 7 characters, the BMV team will be working to expand the serialized title numbers by one digit. When the bureau prints title number 9,999,999, the next title printed will be 10,000,000 continuing on through the 8 digit series in numerical order. If you are using a computerized system to capture title information, you should determine if your system will accept an eight digit number in the title number field.

We will also need to renumber our title application as we are about to reach the end of that numbering sequence as well. For title application (CTA) numbers, the bureau will start at the beginning of the alphabet again with the letter "A" number series going from A000001 to A999999 and so on with letters B and C. The first title applications in the "A" series were issued in 1984. If you still have any of these old title applications with the preceding letters A, B, or C, please destroy them and order the newest version.

The BMV team goal is to provide a numbering series that uniquely identifies title documents and records. This is a major undertaking that will take the bureau a few months to complete, but this change will extend the life of the current BMV system. I hope the information is helpful in determining what system changes are necessary on your end to support your business needs.

As always I appreciate your assistance and willingness to help us improve customer service. Please forward this letter to any appropriate staff.

If you have any questions, concerns or anticipated problems, please call me directly at (207) 624-9000 Ext 52138.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard Nickless".

Richard Nickless, Senior Section Manager, Division of Vehicle Services

cc. Catherine Curtis, Director of Vehicle Services
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