



# FREMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT OUTREACH PROGRAM

## TRUCK AND VAN RENTALS

As described in the accompanying letter, the *Fremont Police Outreach Program* is based on the idea that certain legitimate businesses and industries may be exploited by terrorists who portray themselves as honest customers seeking to purchase, lease or somehow appropriate certain materiel, licenses and/or services to covertly further a terrorist plot.

The following examples of activity relating to your specific business, though not fully inclusive, may be of *possible* concern to law enforcement:

- An attempt to lease or rent a vehicle based upon personal identification/ documents of questionable authenticity (e.g., P.O. Box listed as residence address).
- Reservations for rental vehicles by person(s) with recently issued forms of identification.
- Inconsistencies between the reason stated for renting a particular vehicle, if requested by rental business as part of application process, and the type of vehicle rented (e.g., rental of a large 24-foot truck for a moving job that typically requires only a 12-foot cargo van).
- A refusal to rent or inquire as to the availability of rope, boxes, bubblepack, furniture pads, dollies, hand trucks or other moving supplies by an individual renting a vehicle for a moving job.
- A rental request at an unusual time of day given the reason for the rental, e.g. renting a truck at night for a moving job.
- Specific inquiries regarding the height of a rented vehicle and the height clearances for public garages.
- An attempt to lease or rent a truck by someone who does not appear to have prior experience driving such a vehicle (i.e., class, weight, number of axles, etc.).
- A suspicious employment attempt at your business.

Your impressions and assessment -- based upon your professional/business experience -- are extremely valuable and should help guide you in determining if a customer request, a fact pattern or set of circumstances is unusual.

Please remember that the conduct of itself does not have to be criminal per se for you to report it to the FPD toll-free number, 1-800-962-5912 (24-hours, seven-days a week), or to the FPD non-emergency line, 510-790-6800. (In the event of a police emergency, please dial **9-1-1**.)

*If you wish to learn more about Fremont Police Outreach, please visit the FPD website at [www.fremontpolice.org](http://www.fremontpolice.org) and locate the Outreach Program link.*