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Zion National Park
Springdale, UT 84767

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Dear Commercial Use Authorization Holders and Applicants:

Zion National Park is now accepting applications for 2016 Commercial Use Authorizations (CUAs). Important information on the 2016 application process can be found below:

- Applications will be accepted for the 2016 season only through November 15, 2016. All applicants are encouraged to submit applications by March 31, 2016.
- Application materials are available at:
<http://www.nps.gov/zion/planyourvisit/permitsandreservations.htm>
- Applications must be submitted at least three weeks in advance to receive consideration.
- To ensure a timely review of your application, please ensure all documents are completely filled out and all materials and payments are submitted.
- All future electronic correspondence for the Zion CUA program must be sent directly to zion_commercialservices@nps.gov.
- Currently, checks are the only accepted payment method for CUA fees.

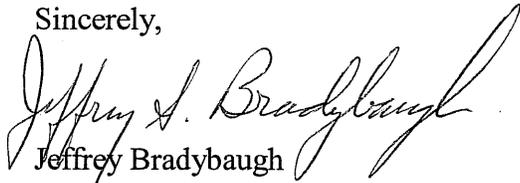
Additional program information:

- The park is considering initiating a formal CUA program review in order to:
 - Assist with the mitigation of natural resource, cultural resource, and visitor experience impacts resulting from commercial services authorized under the CUA program.
 - Evaluate the implementation of a fair market price for permitted commercial activities as required by the Omnibus Budget Act of 1998. Any proposed changes to the current fee structure would be announced through a public scoping process. If approved, the public would be provided with 12 months of notice prior to implementation.
- The park is considering holding a CUA meeting in the spring. Feedback is encouraged in the form of timing (1st half of March, 2nd half of March, 1st half of April, 2nd half of April) and location availability (Zion Canyon and/or St. George, UT).

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For new applicants, welcome and thank you for joining in our efforts to provide meaningful visitor experiences in Zion National Park. For those of you returning, welcome back and thank you for your continued contributions to that effort. If you have any questions, please contact Philip Arrington, Concessions Management Specialist at (435) 772-0210 or at zion_commercialservices@nps.gov

Sincerely,



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