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Statement of Tri-State Transportation Campaign Executive Director Veronica Vanterpool, in response to Mayor Bloomberg's announcement of a delayed Citi Bike launch

Today, Mayor Bloomberg announced that New York City's bike share program will launch later than anticipated, in order to provide additional time to its vendor, Alta Bicycle Share, to resolve software issues. Tri-State has every confidence that it will be worth the wait. Citi Bike is poised to revolutionize the mobility of New Yorkers, be a boon for business, and provide another environmentally friendly transportation option—a triple win for New York City.

With all eyes on the country's largest bike share program to date, NYCDOT is right to ensure that the rollout of bike share is smooth and efficient. Waiting until all software issues are resolved is a responsible move that will help guarantee the success of the city's first bike share. Tri-State looks forward to seeing the program roll out in the spring—perfect timing for putting the drab days of winter behind.

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Tri-State Transportation Campaign is a non-profit organization working toward a more balanced, transit-friendly and equitable transportation system in Connecticut, New York and New Jersey.