

Passenger
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The *Passenger Transportation Board Bulletin* is published weekly on the web site of the Passenger Transportation Board. Printed copies are available directly from the Passenger Transportation Board at the address above.

The *PT Board Bulletin* gives notice of the applications for special authorization that have been received by the Board, the determinations the Board makes on those applications, as well as appeals from enforcement orders of the Registrar of Passenger Transportation. Board Advisories may also be published in the *PT Board Bulletin* to update the public and commercial passenger transportation industry on Board initiatives and changes to Board rules or procedure and policy guidelines.

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Industry Advisory

Policy Updates

Accessible Taxi Policy

The Passenger Transportation Board has established a policy guideline to encourage the improved availability of accessible taxis in urban communities in British Columbia. This policy goal will affect taxi companies that apply for a new taxi licence or for additional vehicles under an existing licence. Taxi companies are expected to provide satisfactory service for persons who require accessible taxi services and integrate additional costs within their overall business plan and company structure. The Board "rates" policy is to disallow higher charges for accessible services. For more information about accessible taxis, see Board Policy Guideline No. 30 at the Board website at www.ptboard.bc.ca.

PDV Fleet Size Review

The Passenger Transportation Board has begun its first review of the maximum fleet size of operators with special authorization to operate passenger directed vehicles ("PDV"). The review is limited to fleets of taxis, limousines and "PDV vans" that have stayed below the maximum fleet size for the 24 month period between February 2006 and February 2008.

Licenses that are subject to a PDV fleet size review should receive a letter this week. The letter lets them know that their maximum fleet size is being reviewed, and it asks for information about their fleet size plans and the gap between their fleet maximum and actual operating levels. More information about the PDV Fleet Size Review Policy is available on the Board website at www.ptboard.bc.ca. See Board Policy Guideline No. 26.

Urgent Public Need

The Passenger Transportation Board has revised its policy respecting urgent public need ("UPN") to explain when this processing option is available, and when it is not. The UPN is an exception to the regular application process. It is reserved for limited and compelling circumstances when the public has an urgent need for the proposed service to begin immediately. Applicable UPN examples may include a shut down of the only taxi company in town or the signing of a crew transportation contract that requires an immediate start. The UPN process is generally not an option when licensed competitors are already operating in the proposed operating area, or for the introduction of more discretionary services such as limousines. When an applicant makes a claim of urgent public need that is not accepted by the Board, the application may be returned to its original place in the application line up.

Part 1: Applications Received

Applications in which special authorization is sought are published in Part 1 of the *PT Board Bulletin*. To see a more detailed summary of the application, click on the **application number**.

Application	Applicant	Brief Summary of Application	Deadline for Submissions
<u>T282-08</u>	Enderby Taxi (2007) Ltd. Salmon Arm BC	Change of Rates (PDV) Proposed increase in rates that were previously approved or set by the Board.	March 22, 2008
<u>539-08</u>	ESMEIJER, Alfred Surrey BC dba Alfred's Guest Services, Private Tours & Itinerary Creations	New Special Authorization (PDV) Proposed new special authorization to operate passenger directed vehicles in Metropolitan Vancouver, Fraser Valley, Whistler, Victoria, Tofino, ski areas throughout BC and Okanagan wine country with a maximum fleet size of 2 vehicles that accommodate a driver and not less than 6 and not more than 11 passengers.	March 27, 2008
<u>257-08</u>	Favori Limousine Services Inc. Surrey BC	New Special Authorization (PDV) Proposed new special authorization to operate passenger directed vehicles in Licence District 14, 14A and 15 with a maximum fleet size of 3 vehicles that accommodate a driver and not less than 4 and not more than 11 passengers.	March 27, 2008
<u>T288-08</u>	GOSELIN, Garrett Joseph Garibaldi Heights BC dba Alpine North Limousine	Change of Rates (PDV) Proposed increase in rates that were previously approved or set by the Board.	March 22, 2008
<u>X563-08</u>	Greyhound Canada Transportation Corp. Calgary AB	Amendment of Licence Greyhound Canada is proposing the following licence amendments on inter-city bus route S1 between Vancouver and Mt. Currie (near Pemberton): <ol style="list-style-type: none">Eliminate the following "flag / drop" route points:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Porteau CoveDarrell BayShannon FallsStawamus Chief MountainAlice LakeBrandywineReduce service from "scheduled time stop" to "flag / drop" for the following route points:<ul style="list-style-type: none">DentvilleBrackendale No fee is required to submit comments about this published application.	April 18, 2008

Application	Applicant	Brief Summary of Application	Deadline for Submissions
<u>AV457-08</u>	Limo Jet Gold Express Ltd. Richmond BC	Addition of Motor Vehicles (PDV) Proposed addition of 32 motor vehicles (sedan limousines) under Part 1 – Contract Authority, to increase the maximum fleet size for passenger directed vehicles from 44 vehicles, of which 10 may be sedan limousines to 76 vehicles, of which 42 may be sedan limousines.	March 27, 2008
<u>AV464-08</u>	North Shore Taxi (1966) Ltd. North Vancouver BC dba North Shore Taxi & Cadillac Cabs	Addition of Motor Vehicles (PDV) Proposed addition of 18 motor vehicles to increase the maximum fleet size for passenger directed vehicles from 107 of which 95 may be non-accessible to 125, of which 113 may be non-accessible. (none of the proposed 18 vehicles will be accessible vehicles).	March 27, 2008
<u>3163-07</u>	REAVIE, Linda Dianne Cumberland BC dba Waterstone Elder Transportation Services	New Special Authorization (PDV) Proposed new special authorization to operate passenger directed vehicles in Comox Valley area with a maximum fleet size of 2 vehicles that accommodates a driver and not less than 2 and not more than 7 passengers.	March 27, 2008

Submissions:

Any person may make a submission on an application to the Passenger Transportation Board. Submissions should relate to the following matters that the Board must consider (see section 28 of the Passenger Transportation Act):

- (a) whether there is a public need for the service the applicant proposes to provide under any special authorization;*
- (b) whether the applicant is a fit and proper person to provide that service and is capable of providing that service; and*
- (c) whether the application, if granted, would promote sound economic conditions in the passenger transportation business in British Columbia.*

All submissions must be:

- *in writing*
- *accompanied by a \$50 fee (payable only by cheque or money order to the Minister of Finance)*
- *received at the Passenger Transportation Board office in Victoria by 4:30 p.m. within 15 days of the PT Board Bulletin publication date (10 days for Change of Rates applications).*

All information that a person submits on an application is routinely disclosed by the Board to the applicant. Any person who gathers and submits personal information from third parties is subject to the Personal Information Protection Act and should not guarantee the confidentiality of the information being submitted. Within 10 days of when a submission is forwarded by the Board to the applicant, the applicant may reply by sending written comments to the Board.

Part 2: Application Decisions

Board decisions on applications for special authorization are published in Part 2 of the *PT Board Bulletin*. To see the full decision, click on the **application number**.

Application	Applicant	Brief Summary of Application	Decision
<u>AV3046-07</u>	Bel-Air Taxi (1982) Ltd. Coquitlam BC	Addition of Motor Vehicles (PDV) Addition of 16 motor vehicles to increase the maximum fleet size for passenger directed vehicles from 34 vehicles of which 30 may be non-accessible to 50 vehicles of which 44 may be non-accessible. (Of these 16 additional vehicles, the applicant is proposing that 2 will be accessible taxis.)	Approved as set out in the Decision
<u>154-08</u>	CROSSLEY, Raymond Thomas Comox BC (transferee) dba Ambassador Shuttle Service CROSSLEY, Raymond Thomas & SPINK, Rodney Comox BC (transferor) dba Ambassador Shuttle Service	Transfer of Licence (PDV) Transfer of passenger transportation licence 70961 from SPINK, Rodney Lee and CROSSLEY, Raymond Thomas dba Ambassador Shuttle Service to CROSSLEY, Raymond Thomas dba Ambassador Shuttle Service. This is an administrative transfer.	Approved
<u>2726-07</u>	Diamond Limousine Ltd. Pitt Meadows BC dba Deluxe Taxi	New Special Authorization (PDV) New special authorization to operate passenger directed vehicles in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows with a maximum fleet size of 12 non accessible taxis that accommodate a driver and not less than 2 and not more than 7 passengers.	Refused
<u>3304-07</u>	Emerald Taxi Ltd. Prince George BC	Amendment of Licence (PDV) Replacement of Return Trip authority with Reverse Trip authority for Service 1 (respecting railway contract service)	Approved
<u>539-08 UPN</u>	ESMEIJER, Alfred Surrey BC dba Alfred's Guest Services, Private Tours & Itinerary Creations	New Special Authorization (PDV) – Urgent Public Need New special authorization to operate passenger directed vehicles in Metropolitan Vancouver, Fraser Valley, Whistler, Victoria, Tofino, ski areas throughout BC and Okanagan wine country with a maximum fleet size of 2 vehicles that accommodate a driver and not less than 6 and not more than 11 passengers.	Claim of urgent public need declined. Application must be published and submissions accepted before application is considered by the Board.

Application	Applicant	Brief Summary of Application	Decision
<u>3268-07</u>	GLP Holdings Ltd. Campbell River BC (transferee) dba CR Airporter	Transfer of Licence (PDV) Transfer of passenger transportation licence 70810 from Atwater Cabs (1978) Ltd. dba Campbell River Airporter to GLP Holdings Ltd. dba CR Airporter.	Approved
	Atwater Cabs (1978) Ltd. Campbell River BC (transferor) dba Campbell River Airporter		

Part 3: Hearing Notices

None

Part 4: Appeal Decisions

None

Part 5: Decisions Whether Application for General Authorization Requires Special Authorization

None

Part 6: Other Matters

None