

Passenger Transportation Board

Weekly Bulletin

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The [Weekly Bulletin](#) is published online by the Passenger Transportation Board. This publication gives notice of:

- Applications, decisions, hearings and other matters relating to applications for special authorization to operate taxis, limousines, other passenger directed vehicles, and inter-city buses.
- Board decisions on appeals of administrative penalties imposed by the Registrar of Passenger Transportation
- Various policy and information updates for the commercial passenger transportation industry.

NOTICE

The Passenger Transportation Board Weekly Bulletin will not be published
the week of December 29, 2008



The staff of the Passenger Transportation Board wish you
all the best for the holiday season and a very happy and prosperous

New Year.

1. Industry Updates & Advisories

Updates & Advisories

Content Highlights

Fuel Surcharges End

- The Passenger Transportation Board is ending the 3.5% temporary fuel surcharges (TFS) for taxis, limousines and other passenger directed vehicles.
- Limousines, shuttle vans and other passenger directed vehicles may stop charging the fuel surcharge immediately and must stop charging the fuel surcharge on or before January 9, 2009.
- For taxicabs, the fuel surcharge ends December 31, 2008. A meter change will not be required. The Board is making a Taxi Cost Index rate increase of 3.16% available to taxicab operators based on 2007 costs. The Board does not require meter changes where the net change is less than 1.75%. (see next advisory)

Taxi Cost Index 2009

- The Board has approved a Taxi Cost Index (TCI) increase of 3.16% that will take effect January 1, 2009. The increase is based on 2007 data.
- The Board is not requiring a rate change as the net change of 0.34% is less than the minimum 1.75% change that the Board requires to implement a change to taxi meters. The 0.34% will be factored into future TCI reviews.
- Taxi companies may opt out of TCI 2009 or request a lower increase. To do this, they must send a letter to the Passenger Transportation Board on or before January 31, 2009.

2. Applications Received

Click the [application number](#) to see the published application.

Application	Applicant	Applicant Proposal	Submission Deadline
1117-08	Empire Limousine Ltd. Vancouver BC	Republished - Revised New Special Authorization (PDV) 2 limousines including 1 sedan in Licence Districts 14, 14A or 15.	January 2, 2009
1126-08	JC Rathwell Inc. Kelowna BC dba Enchanted Limo	New Special Authorization (PDV) 1 limousine between Westwold and the Canada/US Border and points along Highway 6 between Vernon and Lumby.	January 2, 2009
1167-08	V K Delivery & Moving Services Ltd. New Westminster BC dba VK Delivery/Sea to Sky Limousine	New Special Authorization (PDV) 5 limousines in Metro Vancouver, Fraser Valley Regional District, and points along Hwy 99 to and including Whistler.	January 2, 2009

Making Submissions on an Application

[Click here](#) for more information about:

- the \$50 submission fee,
- submission deadlines and
- other submission requirements and information

3. Application Decisions

Click the application number to see the published decision.

Application	Applicant	Applicant Proposal	Outcome
1120-08	Mt Washinton Ski Resort Ltd. Mt Washington BC	New Special Authorization (ICB) Inter-city bus from Mount Washington to Courtenay 6 trips weekly.	Approved
1200-08	Pemberton Taxi Ltd. Pemberton BC	Urgent Public Need New Special Authorization Inter-city bus between Pemberton and Whistler.	a) UPN claim accepted. b) Application approved.
AV1057-08	Time Limousine Service Ltd. Surrey BC	Addition of Motor Vehicles (PDV) Addition of one classic vehicle and one limousine to increase fleet from 7 to 9 vehicles.	Approved

4. Hearing Notices

None

5. Other Matters

None