

Passenger Transportation Board Weekly Bulletin

July 15, 2015

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.



1. Industry Updates & Advisories

Responsibilities of Inter-City Bus Operators ([LINK](#))

Inter-City bus operators must maintain service levels that are stated on their terms and conditions of licence. This advisory reviews key responsibilities of ICB licensees and discusses options that licensees have when responding to operational constraints.

Golden Ears Bridge & Taxi Toll Surcharge

When passengers cross the Golden Ears Bridge in a taxi, a taxi toll surcharge of **\$7.30** now applies. Effective July 15, 2015, the surcharge is increasing by \$0.10 to reflect the toll increase by TransLink. Taxi drivers must inform passengers in advance. The surcharge is added to the metered taxi fare. The amended rule, *Golden Ears Bridge Taxi Toll Surcharge*, is posted on the Board's web page for [surcharges and tolls](#).

PT Board Staff Changes ([LINK](#))

The PT Board made staffing changes after David Watling retired in June. We welcome Georgina Nicoll and wish Kathy Mitten well as she takes on a new role at our office in Victoria.

2. Applications Received

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

Application	Applicant	Application Highlights	Submission Deadline
217-15	Island Express Bus Inc. Burnaby	New Special Authorization to operate 1 inter-city bus route: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Terminating Points: Campbell River - Victoria• Express service with intermediate stops restricted to Duncan, Parksville, and Courtenay (no stops in Nanaimo or other intermediate locations)• Year round service excluding December 25 and January 1	July 30, 2015

224-15	North Coast Transportation, ACTA Inc. Terrace	New Special Authorization New railway employee transportation service in Terrace and communities along Highway 16 from Smithers to Prince Rupert and Highway 37 from Cranberry Junction to Kitimat with 3 vehicles.	July 30, 2015
AV207-15	Time Limousine Service Ltd. Surrey	Additional Vehicles - Limousines Add 4 vehicles (3 6-11 passengers and 1 sedan). The new maximum fleet size would be 19 vehicles (8 6-11 passengers, 2 classic, 5 PSB and 4 sedans). 2 6-11 passenger vehicles will only be operated on weekends in December and April to September.	July 30, 2015

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

- i. the \$50 submission fee,
- ii. submission deadlines and
- iii. other submission requirements and information

3. Application Decisions

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

Application	Applicant	Application Highlights	Outcome
151-15PSB	Think Escape Tours Ltd. Surrey	New Special Authorization: Passenger Directed Vehicles Limousine service with perimeter seating buses in the Lower Mainland 2 vehicles	Approved
257-15TOP	Time Limousine Service Ltd. Surrey	Temporary Operating Permit (PDV) 1 temporary operating permit from July 11 – July 12, 2015	Approved

4. PSB Streamlined Application Decisions

None

5. Hearing Notices

None

6. Other Matters

None