

NEW BRUNSWICK ENERGY AND UTILITIES BOARD
PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

IN THE MATTER OF an application by Acadian Coach Lines LP for approval of a change in its fare structure and an increase in certain tariffs of passenger fares for its inter-city scheduled services within the Province of New Brunswick (the "Application")

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ACADIAN COACH LINES LP ("Acadian") has applied to the New Brunswick Energy and Utilities Board ("Board") for an order authorizing revisions to its fare structure from 52 separate zones to 32 zones and authorizing increases to its fares on its inter-city public passenger service as follows:

Existing fare structure to be revised so that the zones of distance are reduced from 52 to 32 zones so that the first 12 zones will remain at 25 kms each and the remaining 20 zones will increase from 25 kms to 50 kms each.

Existing fare structure to be increased on the basis of \$1.00 per zone of distance in zones 4 to 32 for adult one-way fares for an average increase of 2.7%.

- Fares are rounded to the nearest dollar amount;
- Base fares will start at \$8.00 for an adult one-way fare and reach a maximum of \$110.00;
- The zone of distance pricing structure will commence with a cost per kilometre of \$0.3213 for a 24.9 kilometre trip in Zone 1 moving incrementally down to a cost per kilometre of \$0.0846 for a 1299.9 kilometre trip in Zone 32;
- The concept remains that the more distance you travel the less you pay per kilometre of travel;
- The proposed fares to be effective June 1, 2009, or so soon thereafter as the Board can render its decision;
- All current discounts in the existing fare structure will remain the same.

The proposed fares will result in Acadian achieving an approximate 2.7% increase in its 2009 gross line run revenue, assuming budgeted ridership is achieved.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that:

1. The Board intends to hold a concurrent public hearing with the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board which is to be heard on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 commencing at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon or so soon thereafter as is practical at the Residence Inn by Marriott, in the Acadian Room, 600 Main Street, Moncton, New Brunswick, when all persons interested may attend.
2. Parties who wish to receive a copy of the Application and supporting evidence should contact Acadian as follows:

Attention: John Stringer, Q.C.
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3. Persons intending to formally intervene regarding the Application must do so in writing no later than noon, Tuesday, May 12, 2009 by notifying the Board at the address below and Acadian at the address in paragraph 2 in accordance with Section 4(3) of the Motor Carrier Act; and, such interveners shall:
 - a. set out the name of the person and any authorized representative of the person and the mailing address, address for personal service, telephone number and other telecommunications numbers of the person's authorized representative;
 - b. state the official language in which the person wishes to be heard; and
 - c. file with the Board a written statement setting out in full the reasons why the Application should be denied, together with any relevant documentary evidence.
4. Persons who do not wish to formally intervene, but who wish to be heard and be part of the record, may do so by choosing from the methods described below:
 - a. provide their comments in writing to the Board at the address below and to Acadian at the Address in paragraph 2 of this notice on or before noon, Tuesday, May 12, 2009; or,

- b. the Board will conduct telephone conference calls at its expense. Such interest shall be expressed to the Board on or before noon, Tuesday, , May 12, 2009 by contacting the Board toll free at 1-866-766-2782 and providing your name and telephone number; or,
- c. informal interveners may appear in person at the hearing as noted in paragraph 1 of this notice. Those persons requiring transportation should advise the Board not later than noon, Tuesday, May 12, 2009.

DATED at the City of Saint John, New Brunswick this 23rd day of April, 2009.

BY THE BOARD



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