PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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 intercity scheduled services within the Province of New Brunswick (the "Application")

ORDER

WHEREAS ACADIAN COACH LINES LP ("Acadian") has applied to the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities of New Brunswick ("Board") for an order approving its fare structure and an increase in certain tariffs of passenger fares for its inter-city scheduled services within the Province of New Brunswick and between points in the Province of New Brunswick and other jurisdictions as authorized thereby;

AND WHEREAS the Board has deemed it in the public interest to hold a concurrent public hearing of the matter with the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Application will proceed by way of an oral public hearing to be held concurrently with the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board;
- 2. The English and French notices of such hearing as set out in Schedule "A" hereto (the "Notices") to be published once in the newspapers as set out in Schedule "B" hereto on or before May 27, 2005; and
 - a. the Notices of such hearing, be posted in all the company's terminals and on Acadian's Web Site noted in paragraph 2(c), commencing not later than May 25th, 2005 and shall remain posted until June 10th, 2005;
 - b. the Application, together with a copy of this Order, will be placed on file for examination by interested parties, during normal business hours, at the office of the Board noted below; and

c. parties who wish to receive a copy of the Application should contact Acadian as follows:

Attention: John Stringer, Q.C. McINNES COOPER
1601 Lower Water Street
P. O. Box 730
Halifax, NS
B3J 2V1

Phone: (902) 424-1361 Telecopier: (902) 425-6350

E-mail: john.stringer@mcinnescooper.com

Web Site: www.acadianbus.com.

- 3. Persons intending to formally intervene regarding the Application must do so in writing no later than noon, Wednesday June 1st, 2005 by notifying the Board at the address below and Acadian at the address in paragraph 2; 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. provide 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 Wednesday, June 1st, 2005; or,
 - b. the Board will conduct telephone conference calls at its expense. Such interest shall be expressed to the Board on or before noon Wednesday, June 1st, 2005 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, Wednesday June 1st, 2005.
- 5. The Application will proceed by way of an oral public hearing on June 1st, 2005 commencing at 9:30 a.m. at the Wandlyn Inns, Cumberland Room, 1539 Southampton Road, Amherst, Nova Scotia.

DATED at the City of Saint John, New Brunswick this 12th, day of May, 2005.

BY THE BOARD

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The Daily Gleaner - Fredericton
L'Acadie Nouvelle - Caraquet

Weeklies

The Observer - Hartland
Le Madawaska - Edmunston
The/La Cataracte - Grand Falls
Kings County Record - Sussex
Sackville Tribune-Post - Sackville
Bugle (Henley Publishing - Woodstock

Limited)

Saint Croix Courier - St. Stephen
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