

NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE MOTOR CARRIER ACT

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION of PICTOU COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY INCORPORATED to amend Motor Carrier License No. P03368

BEFORE:



Roland A. Deveau, K.C., Vice Chair

DECISION AND ORDER

Pictou County Transit Authority Incorporated applied to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board on May 15, 2024, for approval to amend its motor carrier license as follows:

SCHEDULE A:

Amend Route A(1) by removing the current and replacing with:

A continuous one-hour loop operating in the Town of New Glasgow and the Town of Stellarton from Monday to Saturday between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (the Main Loop).

Add Route A(2) as follows:

A community shuttle to operate in the towns of Westville, Pictou, Trenton and Pictou Landing First Nations from Monday to Saturday, four times per day, between 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. in order to meet up with the Main Loop (the Community Shuttle).

SCHEDULE C TIMETABLES:

Remove current timetables and replace with current ones which will include both the Main Loop and Community Shuttle.

SCHEDULE D RATES:

Add Schedule D(2) Rates:

Community Shuttle Rate:

\$5.00 per trip – includes pick up in community, using the Main Loop for the day and returning home to their community.

SCHEDULE E:

Add Schedule E(2) Vehicles:

9-passenger van to be used for the Community Shuttle

Notice of the application was published in the Royal Gazette on Wednesday, May 29, 2024, and notice provided to the industry. There were no objections received by the stated deadline of June 5, 2024.

The application was considered by the Board in a paper hearing on June 10, 2024.

Having considered the *Motor Carrier Act*, including the factors set out in s. 13, the Board finds it is in the public interest to approve the application.

The Board approves the application and orders that the license be amended as set out above, subject to the terms and conditions set out in this Decision and Order:

1. The applicant must ensure the Board is provided with the following information for the vehicle to be added to the license:
 - a. Confirmation of the vehicle's make, model, year, and seating capacity;
 - b. A certificate of insurance, in the form required by the Board, certifying that the insurance required by the *Act* is in effect; and
 - c. Confirmation, in the form required by the Board, that an inspector appointed under the *Act* has found the vehicle to be mechanically fit.
2. The applicant must ensure that the Board is provided with everything required under section 1 of this Decision and Order no later than 60 days after the date of this Decision and Order unless a later day is requested by the applicant and approved by the Board.
3. The Board will not grant the amendment if it has not been provided with everything required under section 1 of this Order in the time required under section 2.

4. The amendment is effective on the day that the Board issues the certificate of authority to the applicant.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 10th day of June 2024.

Lisa Wallace

Clerk of the Board