



ORAL DECISION

**IN THE MATTER OF an application dated
March 1, 2006 by Acadian Coach Lines LP, for
Changes to its Tariff.**

June 2, 2006

NEW BRUNSWICK

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

IN THE MATTER of an application dated March 1, 2006 by Acadian Coach Lines LP, to amend their rates, tolls and charges

N.B. Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities

Mr. David C. Nicholson, Chairman

Mr. James E. Bateman, Commissioner

Mr. Jacques A. Dumont, Commissioner

Mr. H. Brian Tingley, Commissioner

Ms. Lorraine R. Légère, Secretary to the Board

Nova Scotial Utility and Review Board:

Mr. Roland Deveau, Member

Also present from Nova Scotia:

Mr. Dave White/Manager Motor Carrier
Division/UARB

Ms. Anne Bonang/Court Reporter

Applicant:

Acadian Coach Lines LP

Mr. John Stringer Q.C.

MCInnes Cooper

Acadian Bus Group

Ms. Manon Piche/ Bice-President Marketing

Ms. Linda Deloughery / Accounting Manager

DECISION

This matter was heard in Amherst, Nova Scotia on June 2, 2006. The New Brunswick Public Utilities Board held a concurrent hearing with the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board as represented by Commissioner Roland A. Deveau.

This application was solely for the purpose of amending the rates, tolls and charges.

The Board will approve the application as presented, to be effective on the 15th day of June as requested. The Board's staff will continue to be in touch with Acadian staff to keep up to date on what is happening. It is the Chairman's personal opinion that from a regulatory point of view, it would be easier from an accounting perspective if the charter operations were taken out of the line run operations in New Brunswick and perhaps consolidated on a Maritime basis. To have a comfort zone as to exactly what transfers are being made and how they're being made, the Board would like to have a look at how the company would do the consolidation.

The Board thanks Commissioner Deveau and his staff for hosting the New Brunswick Board in Amherst including making the arrangements and transcribing, etc. It is most appreciated.

Dated in the Town of Amherst, Nova Scotia this 2nd day of June, 2006.

Lorraine R. Légère
Board Secretary