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Licence District Update

In November, 2010, board staff sent proposed amended terms and conditions of licence to limousine companies operating in the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD), Fraser Valley Regional District (FVRD) and Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD). These terms and conditions were sent to companies that have "licence districts" (e.g.: LD 9, 9A, 14, 14A or 15) included in their operating area. Licensees were asked to comment on the proposed amendments. We received very few comments. We are proceeding with these amendments.

In the Lower Mainland and Whistler area, we will replace "licence districts" with a "corridor" approach. This new wording generally matches the boundaries of the licence districts. There may be some slight variations so that boundaries are clear. If a limousine has an operating area that uses part of a licence district (e.g. "Licence District 14 west of the Pitt River"), the revised terms will reflect this.

We have also used this opportunity to standardize wording on licences. Therefore, there may be some changes to other parts of the affected licences. **The substance of the licences has not changed**. Licensees cannot do anything more or less than they could before.

Pursuant to Section 31 of the *Passenger Transportation Act*, the Board is now directing the Registrar to amend the terms and conditions of those licenses affected in the GVRD, FVRD and SLRD.

The Registrar will re-issue the affected licences with the new wording.

For more information, please refer to: http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/ptb/licence districts.htm