



## **DECISION**

**IN THE MATTER OF an application by  
SAINT JOHN TRANSIT COMMISSION  
for an Order approving an increase to its  
passenger fares for regular schedule  
Community Express service known as  
ComeX**

**January 17, 2011**

## DECISION

This matter arises out of an application by the Saint John Transit Commission (“the Applicant”) to the New Brunswick Energy and Utilities Board (“the Board”) seeking an order to increase passenger fares for its regular scheduled Community Express service, known as ComeX. The current fares were approved by this Board on December 22, 2008 and have been in effect since January 1, 2009.

The Board held a public hearing on January 17, 2011 to consider the Applicant’s request for the proposed increase to its fares.

The applicant provided affidavits verifying that it had complied with the Board Order (dated December 6, 2010) regarding Notice of the hearing to the public.

There were no intervenors present at the hearing, nor did the Board hear from any persons indicating that they were in opposition to the proposed increase in fares.

The Board has considered the filed evidence as well as the oral evidence of Mr. Frank McCarey, General Manager for the Applicant.

The proposed increase in fares is as follows:

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| 1. Cash fares per trip:        | from \$3.25 to \$3.50.   |
| 2. Ten (10) ride transcard:    | from \$30.00 to \$33.00. |
| 3. Twenty (20) ride transcard: | from \$55.00 to \$60.00. |
| 4. Monthly pass:               | From \$99.00 to \$109.00 |

The applicant has demonstrated that the current and proposed fares still do not allow the Applicant to recover the full cost of operating the ComeX routes.

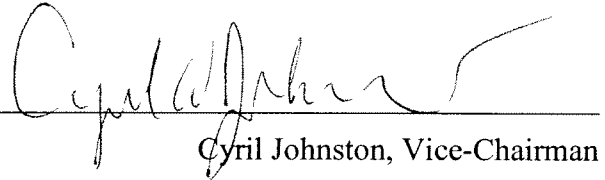
The Board is satisfied that the proposed fares are just and reasonable and approves the new cash fares, effective January 24, 2011. New fares for the ten and twenty ride transcards and monthly passes are also approved, effective February 1, 2011.

Dated at the City of Saint John, New Brunswick this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2011.



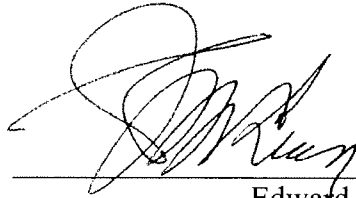
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Raymond Gorman, Q.C., Chairman



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Cyril Johnston, Vice-Chairman



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Edward McLean, Member