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## Transport (Compliance and Miscellaneous) Act 1983

### NOTICE OF AUTHORISATION METROPOLITAN PEAK SERVICE TAXI-CABS

I, Peter Corcoran, General Manager Victorian Taxi Directorate, for the purposes of taxi-cab licence conditions [clause 4.3] governing the operation of commercial passenger vehicles licensed as Metropolitan Peak Service Taxi Cabs, give notice that I have authorised Metropolitan Peak Service Taxi-Cabs to operate on the times and days specified below and subject to the conditions specified in this notice.

#### **DATES:**

Wednesday 14 December 2011

Tuesday 27 December 2011

Monday 9 January 2012

Sunday 22 January 2012

Saturday 4 February 2012

Friday 17 February 2012

Thursday 1 March 2012

Wednesday 14 March 2012

#### **TIMES:**

Authorisation applies to taxi hirings that commence between the hours of 7.00 am and 3.00 pm on each of the dates specified above.

The Port of Melbourne Corporation's Cruise Ship Schedule indicates that cruise ships arrive at 7.00 am and depart at 4.00 pm on the dates specified above.

#### **CONDITIONS:**

- (a) On the dates and during the times specified above, Metropolitan Peak Service Taxis are authorised to operate for the carriage of passengers from the Station Pier precinct, Port Melbourne;
- (b) Subject to (c) below, Metropolitan Peak Service Taxis will not be authorised to carry passengers from places other than the Station Pier precinct under this authorisation;
- (c) Despite (b) above, if a Metropolitan Peak Service Taxi has been hired for a journey from Station Pier and that same hirer subsequently requests the driver to undertake a return or extended hiring, including from a place the hirer was conveyed to on the initial journey, the driver may accept and fulfil that subsequent hiring; and
- (d) Metropolitan Peak Service Taxis are not authorised to undertake any street hire (rank/hail) or radio bookings during these extended hours other than as provided in (a) or (c) above.

#### **REASONS:**

The dates specified in this notice correspond with the arrival of cruise ships that will disembark significant passenger numbers at Station Pier. The Port of Melbourne Corporation and the company representing these cruise ships anticipate that many passengers leaving the ships at this point will require transport to alternative transport terminals including Melbourne Airport and suburban destinations.

Providing a restricted authorisation for Metropolitan Peak Service Taxis to boost taxi resources will assist the industry to meet this expected demand and provide Peak Service Taxi drivers with additional work opportunities.

**SPECIAL**

For these reasons, the Victorian Taxi Directorate has declared this to be a special event for the purposes of licence conditions.

**Station Pier precinct**

For the purposes of this notice, the Station Pier precinct is: Station Pier, Waterfront Place, and Beach Street, Port Melbourne, between Bay Street and Swallow Street, Port Melbourne.

Operation of Peak Service Taxis during these extended hours is optional, not compulsory.

Dated 11 August 2011

PETER CORCORAN  
General Manager  
Victorian Taxi Directorate

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