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NOTICE OF AUTHORISATION

Metropolitan Peak Service Taxi-Cabs

I, Virginia Thompson, Manager Operational Policy and Technical Support, Taxi Services Commission, give notice that for the purposes of clause 4(d) of taxi-cab licence conditions governing the operation of commercial passenger vehicles licensed as Metropolitan Peak Service Taxi Cabs, I have authorised Metropolitan Peak Service Taxi-Cabs to operate additional hours on the days specified below and subject to the conditions specified in this notice.

CONDITIONS:

- (a) On the dates specified below for cruise ship arrivals, Metropolitan Peak Service Taxis are authorised to operate for the carriage of passengers from the Station Pier precinct, Port Melbourne between the hours of 7.00 am and 3.00 pm;
- (b) Subject to (c) below, Metropolitan Peak Service Taxis are not authorised to carry passengers from places other than the Station Pier precinct under this authorisation;
- (c) 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 bookings during these extended hours other than as provided in (a) or (c) above.

DATES:

Cruise Ship Arrivals at Station Pier, Port Melbourne					
Tuesday	7 October 2014	Tuesday	3 February 2015		
Monday	20 October 2014	Wednesday	11 February 2015		
Sunday	2 November 2014	Saturday	21 February 2015		
Saturday	15 November 2014	Monday	23 February 2015		
Friday	28 November 2014	Tuesday	24 February 2015		
Thursday	11 December 2014	Friday	27 February 2015		
Tuesday	16 December 2014	Monday	2 March 2015		
Monday	29 December 2014	Wednesday	4 March 2015		
Saturday	10 January 2015	Sunday	8 March 2015		
Sunday	11 January 2015	Monday	9 March 2015		
Saturday	24 January 2015	Friday	13 March 2015		
Thursday	29 January 2015	Sunday	22 March 2015		

REASONS:

The dates specified in this notice correspond with the arrival of cruise ships that will complete their cruise at Station Pier, Port Melbourne. Consequently, significant passenger numbers will disembark from the ships at this point and it is anticipated 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 additional work opportunities.

For these reasons, the Taxi Services Commission has declared this to be a special event for the purposes of taxi-cab 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 4 September 2014

VIRGINIA THOMPSON Manager Operational Policy and Technical Support Taxi Services Commission This page was left blank intentionally

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