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ANNUAL APRIL 1 COMMISSIONER-APPROVED TARIFF INCREASE

VICTORIA – BC Ferries is advising customers of increases in passenger and vehicle fares, reservations made less than seven days in advance, and Assured Loading Tickets (ALTs) on April 1, 2013.

In accordance with the BC Ferries Commissioner’s Order 12-02 issued on October 1, 2012, prices for vehicle and passenger fares will rise by 4.1 per cent on average on all routes across the fleet on April 1, 2013.

The fee for reservations made less than seven days in advance will increase from \$17.50 to \$18.50. Reservations made a week or more in advance will remain the same at \$15.00. The reservation fees apply on the three major routes between the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island, the Horseshoe Bay – Langdale route, and the Comox - Powell River route.

The last increase in reservations made less than seven days in advance was in 2005. The \$15.00 fee for reservations made more than seven days in advance has not changed since the reservation product was introduced on the three major routes connecting the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island over 15 years ago.

The cost of 10 ALTs will increase from \$1250.00 to \$1350.00. ALTs provide priority travel on the three major routes between the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island when presented to the ticket agent at least 20 minutes before the scheduled departure time, and are valid for a two-year period. The last increase in the cost of ALTs was in 2007.

Fare increases are required due to the rising cost of operating and capital expenditures.

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Tariff Table Attached

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ROUTE	TARIFF Effective April 01, 2013	PASSENGER - ADULT		PASSENGER VEHICLE - up to 20'		BUS - per foot rate		COMMERCIAL - per foot rate	
	ROUTE DESCRIPTION	Current	01-Apr-13	Current	01-Apr-13	Current	01-Apr-13	Current	01-Apr-13
01	Tsawwassen - Swartz Bay	\$14.85	\$15.50	\$49.25	\$51.25	\$4.00	\$4.20	\$5.60	\$5.85
02	Horseshoe Bay - Departure Bay	\$14.85	\$15.50	\$49.25	\$51.25	\$4.00	\$4.20	\$5.60	\$5.85
30	Tsawwassen - Duke Point	\$14.85	\$15.50	\$49.25	\$51.25	\$4.00	\$4.20	\$5.60	\$5.85
03	* Horseshoe Bay - Langdale	\$14.00	\$14.55	\$47.10	\$49.05	\$4.65	\$4.85	\$6.15	\$6.40
04	* Swartz Bay - Fulford Harbour	\$10.90	\$11.35	\$32.25	\$33.55	\$2.80	\$2.90	\$3.35	\$3.50
05	* Swartz Bay - Gulf Islands	\$11.45	\$12.00	\$36.25	\$37.95	\$3.10	\$3.25	\$3.20	\$3.20
06	* Crofton - Vesuvius Bay	\$10.90	\$11.35	\$32.25	\$33.55	\$2.80	\$2.90	\$3.35	\$3.50
07	* Earl's Cove - Saltery Bay	\$13.70	\$14.25	\$45.90	\$47.80	\$4.45	\$4.65	\$5.95	\$6.20
08	* Horseshoe Bay - Snug Cove	\$10.65	\$11.10	\$30.40	\$31.65	\$2.65	\$2.75	\$3.20	\$3.35
09	Gulf Islands to Tsawwassen	\$8.80	\$9.15	\$23.30	\$24.25	\$3.25	\$3.40	\$4.05	\$4.25
91	Tsawwassen to Gulf Islands	\$17.15	\$17.85	\$54.80	\$57.05	\$5.85	\$6.10	\$7.35	\$7.65
31	Inter-Southern Gulf Islands	\$5.70	\$6.00	\$12.40	\$13.10	\$1.65	\$1.70	\$1.65	\$1.65
10	Port Hardy - Prince Rupert (Shoulder Season)	\$135.00	\$140.50	\$312.00	\$324.75	\$25.00	\$26.00	\$36.50	\$38.00
11	Prince Rupert - Skidegate (Off Peak Season)	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$121.00	\$126.00	\$11.50	\$12.00	\$16.50	\$17.25
17	Powell River (Westview) - Little River (Comd)	\$13.65	\$14.20	\$43.20	\$44.95	\$3.10	\$3.25	\$4.45	\$4.65
18	* Powell River (Westview) - Texada Island	\$9.90	\$10.30	\$23.55	\$24.50	\$2.45	\$2.55	\$2.85	\$3.00
19	* Nanaimo Harbour - Gabriola Island	\$9.90	\$10.30	\$23.55	\$24.50	\$2.45	\$2.55	\$2.85	\$3.00
20	* Chemainus - Thetis Island - Kuper Island	\$9.90	\$10.30	\$23.55	\$24.50	\$2.45	\$2.55	\$2.85	\$3.00
21	* Buckley Bay - Denman Island	\$9.10	\$9.45	\$21.30	\$22.15	\$2.00	\$2.10	\$2.00	\$2.10
22	* Denman Island - Hornby Island	\$9.10	\$9.45	\$21.30	\$22.15	\$2.00	\$2.10	\$2.00	\$2.10
23	* Campbell River - Quadra Island	\$9.10	\$9.45	\$21.30	\$22.15	\$2.30	\$2.40	\$2.60	\$2.75
24	* Quadra Island - Cortes Island	\$10.65	\$11.10	\$24.80	\$25.80	\$3.10	\$3.25	\$3.90	\$4.10
25	* Port McNeill - Alert Bay - Sointula	\$10.65	\$11.10	\$24.80	\$25.80	\$3.10	\$3.25	\$3.90	\$4.10
26	* Skidegate - Alliford Bay	\$9.10	\$9.45	\$21.30	\$22.15	\$2.30	\$2.40	\$2.60	\$2.75
12	Mill Bay - Brentwood Bay	\$6.90	\$7.20	\$16.15	\$16.80	\$1.40	\$1.45	\$1.75	\$1.85
13	Langdale - Keats Island - Gambier Island	\$7.15	\$7.45	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Experience Card Buy-In Level	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$95.00	\$105.00	-	-	-	-

*Fare includes return trip

PLEASE NOTE:

- For Passenger Vehicles greater than 20 Feet in length, the extra per foot charge is equivalent to the Commercial per foot rate.
- For Rtes 10/11 Only, the Passenger Vehicle fares reflect the rates for vehicles up to 7' in height.