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Subject: Meeting for Checker Limo Nov 29th 2011

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Attention: Bud Polhill, Bill Armstrong, Joe Swan, Stephen Orser, Joni Baechler, Nancy Branscombe, Matt Brown, Paul Hubert, Dale Henderson, Paul Van Meerbergen, Harold Usher, Judy Bryant and Sandy White

Recently I was informed of the proposed changes that other London Taxi Driver's want to impose on Checker Limo. To want a monopoly in this industry is absolutely unfair. We as customers should and have the right to continue to use whatever company we wish to call upon for transportation.

Checker has been serving London and area for over 20 years and has many loyal customers. The service they provide is excellent and that is why customers will continue to call Checker. The standard they provide keeps customers returning. Drivers are in a uniform, the vehicle is kept very clean.

With the economic issues facing many London families, a rate increase would only drive customers away from all taxi companies as well as Checker. We should want to bring our London economy back as strong as it once was or even stronger. Tourism London would also suffer the consequences from these suggested changes. Rate hikes just push companies, and families away. Seniors who often rely on this service cannot afford any more increases. The little income they do receive has to be stretched to the limit as it is now. When the meter is running and you are stuck behind a train or several red lights and you only have a limit to what you can afford can often cause extreme stress for the customer as the other companies keep that meter running.

The possible changes that are being pushed for are limiting the way this service has been run for over 20 years. When something works and it meeting the needs of the customer how can another company dictate how that company is run.

I would like these issues to be taken to the public meeting on November 29, 2011 at 7pm in Centennial Hall.

Sincerely
Michelle Manikas