

**Pilon, Janet**

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**Subject:** Written Request for Increasing the Taxi Tariff according to the existing Minimum Wage per hour in Ontario.

Respected,

Our Taxi Tariff (Schedule 25. Appendix-1, in By-Laws) is still the same as in 2008. Only one part (First Drop Fee) is increased from \$3.90 to \$4.90, in 2022, due to the increased price of Fuel. On the other hand, the Taxi Tariff for distance is still the same \$1.80 per Km.

The above Appendix-1(Taxi Tariff) is based on Appendix-5 (Taxi Cost Index), which has six Components (as mentioned in Appendix-5):-

(1). Other taxi-cab expenses, licenses, rent. (2). Insurance. (3). Fuel (4). Routine repairs and maintenance. (5). Amortized cost of vehicle.  
(6). Earnings-all drivers Ontario.

The prices of all the above 5 components (Taxi Cost) were increased. Only component 3 (fuel) was rewarded.

The Major component (6), says "Earnings-all drivers" in Ontario "Average hourly wage rate: Full-time employees: Transportation and Warehousing (v2153229)". In 2008 the minimum wage was \$10/ per hour and now the minimum wage is \$16.5 per hour.

So, it is requested that please increase the Taxi Tariff according to the Minimum Wage per hour in Ontario and the existing cost of components of the Taxi Cost Index.

Thank you very much.

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