



Silver Top Taxi Service Ltd

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Over 60 Years of Service

Keeping Melbourne on the Move

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Thursday 24 June 2004.

Australian Competition & Consumer Commission
PO Box 1199
DICKSON ACT 2602.

Attention: Jason Byrne.

Dear Sir,

FILE No:
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RE: Review of Taxi Authorisation-Notice Proposing to Revoke Authorisation.

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of 17 June 2004, concerning the above and note that we have previously responded to the ACCC on this matter.

Background:

1. The relationship between Silver Top Taxi Service Ltd (STTS) and Cabcharge Australia Ltd. (Cabcharge) continues in respect to the standard Cabcharge Merchant Agreement which has previously been provided to the ACCC. In November 2003, STTS ceased to be a major shareholder in Cabcharge when STTS was acquired by Gange Corporation under a Scheme of Arrangement. This acquisition was advised to the ACCC and no objection was raised.
2. Silver Top Taxi Service currently has 1730 taxis, operated by a variety of taxi operators subscribing to its communications services. STTS also provides communications to other taxi fleets in Bendigo and Sunbury.
3. Standard Cabcharge Merchant Agreement, details of which have been provided to ACCC previously.
4. STTS operates its own network.
5. STTS taxi hire account system is known as the Cabcharge Account System. Some affiliated taxi operators use other charge account systems.
6. Those approved under the Cabcharge Account System.
7. Yes
8. As per Merchant Agreement.



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Taxi Bookings: 131 008
Fax: 03 8413 8133
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9. There is a docket/transaction lodgement incentive previously advised to ACCC.

Eftpos Terminals:

10. It is understood that some operators have EFTPOS terminals other than Cabcharge EFTPOS Terminals.
11. Where appropriate.

Market Information:

12. We believe the market definition described is still appropriate and does not require variation.

Yours sincerely,
Silver Top Taxi Service Ltd

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Phil Franet', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Phil Franet
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.