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ICBC 2017 REVENUE REQUIREMENTS EXHIBIT A-5

Mr. Todd Litman
Victoria, BC
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Re: Insurance Corporation of British Columbia – 2017 Revenue Requirements Application – Project No. 1598929 – Intervener Registration

Dear Mr. Litman:

The British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commissions) is in receipt of your October 26, 2017 request to intervene in the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia (ICBC) 2017 Revenue Requirements application (2017 RRA) proceeding.

In your request to intervene, you indicate your extensive experience in vehicle insurance pricing innovations research particularly in usage-based insurance pricing. Further, as a resident in British Columbia, you are affected by ICBC's insurance price structure.

By Order G-156-17 dated October 10, 2017, the Panel excluded rate design matters from the scope of the 2017 RRA proceeding and stated that the 2017 RRA proceeding is to consider the requested Basic insurance general rate change which affects all Basic policyholders equally, and not how rates are designed.

The Panel has reviewed your request to intervene and grants intervener status on the basis that you are directly or sufficiently affected by the Commission's decision in the 2017 RRA proceeding, and may contribute to the Commission's decision-making. As an intervener, please be reminded to stay within scope of the 2017 RRA proceeding and the Commission's jurisdictional mandate of ICBC.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Patrick Wruck
Commission Secretary

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Enclosure

cc: Insurance Corporation of British Columbia
Registered Interveners



Request to Intervene

In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a Request to Intervene form must be received by the Commission by the deadline included in the proceeding's regulatory timetable. Please provide a completed form to the Commission Secretary at commission.secretary@bcuc.com. If email is unavailable, forms may be mailed to the Commission Secretary at the address above.

Proceeding name Date

Participant contact information

Organization or individual name
City Province
Email Phone number

If your organization has not submitted an informational document in the last 12 months, please file it with this form.

For organizations only - representative contact information

Name
Organization (if different from above)
City Province
Email Phone number
Also representing (if applicable)

Additional information

Please state your reasons for intervening in this proceeding.

I am a transportation policy analyst with extensive experience researching vehicle insurance pricing innovations, particularly usage-based premiums. Usage based pricing has been identified by many experts as possible way of achieving various policy goals including consumer cost savings and affordability (savings targeting lower-income households), fairness (premiums that accurately reflect the claim costs of individual vehicles), traffic safety, and reducing traffic congestion and pollution emissions. I believe that I can make a positive contribution toward evaluating these impacts.

Please state how you are directly or sufficiently affected by the Commission's decision in this matter; or describe your experience, information, or expertise relevant to this matter that would contribute to the Commission's decision making.

As a BC resident I am affected by ICBC's insurance price structure in many ways.

My research examines how transportation pricing, including vehicle insurance rate structures, affects consumer costs and affordability, vehicle travel and risk exposure, traffic safety, traffic congestion, pollution emissions, and other provincial policy issues.

My research also investigates practical issues related to usage-based insurance pricing, including how a vehicle's travel can be measured; the advantages and disadvantages of various usage-based pricing systems; impacts on vehicle travel, crashes and claims; consumer demand for such pricing; and how ICBC can introduce such pricing with minimal financial risks. I believe that I can make a positive and unique contribution toward evaluating ICBC revenue and pricing options.

My related publications include:

Todd Litman (1997), "Distance-Based Vehicle Insurance as a TDM Strategy," *Transportation Quarterly*, Vol. 51, No. 3, Summer 1997, pp. 119-138; at www.vtppi.org/dbvi.pdf.

Todd Litman (2001), *Distance-Based Vehicle Insurance Feasibility, Benefits and Costs: Comprehensive Technical Report*, VTPI (www.vtppi.org); at www.vtppi.org/dbvi_com.pdf.

Todd Litman (2005), "Pay-As-You-Drive Pricing and Insurance Regulatory Objectives," *Journal of Insurance Regulation*, Vol. 23, No. 3, National Association of Insurance Commissioners (www.naic.org), Spring; at www.vtppi.org/jir_payd.pdf.

Todd Litman (2011), *Pay-As-You-Drive Vehicle Insurance in British Columbia*, Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions (www.pics.uvic.ca); at http://pics.uvic.ca/sites/default/files/uploads/publications/WP_PAYD_Insurance_May2011.pdf.

Todd Litman (2012), "Pricing for Traffic Safety: How Efficient Transport Pricing Can Reduce Roadway Crash Risks," *Transportation Research Record* 2318, pp. 16-22 (www.trb.org); at www.vtppi.org/price_safe.pdf.

Please list the key issues you intend to address in the proceeding.

I am interested in evaluating potential ICBC revenue options and price structures in terms of strategic policy objectives including consumer savings and affordability, fairness, traffic safety, and reducing traffic congestion and pollution emissions.

I can help identify the latest research concerning insurance pricing innovations, their likely impacts and benefits, and how they can be implemented.

For administrative purposes only

Do you intend to participate fully, including attendance at hearings and submission of evidence or information requests, if applicable?

Yes

Do you intend to request PACA funding? This does not impact your ability to participate.

Yes

Have you or your organization web-registered as an intervener or interested party in the past 12 months?

No