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**WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION
GENERAL TARIFF COVER**

WMATC No.: 14. **WMATC Name:** Gold Line, Inc.

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General Tariff No. GT- 8
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Date Filed at WMATC: 02/12/2015
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1. WMATC Certificate of Authority No.: 14

2. Carrier Name on Certificate of Authority: Gold Line, Inc
Street: 5500 Tuxedo Road, Apt./Suite:
City: Tuxedo
State:MD
Zip: 20781
Telephone Number: (301)386-8300

3. Person authorized to file tariff on behalf of Carrier

Name: Carla Longshore
Title: General Manager, Sightseeing
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4. Date this tariff actually filed with WMATC: 02/12/2015

5. Date seven (7) calender days after date on Line 4: 02/19/2015

6. Effective Date of this tariff (not earlier than date on line 5): 02/19/2015

***Your general tariff was attached to your submission.**

NOTE: SEE COMMISSION REGULATION NOS. 55 AND 56. IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT HOW TO COMPLETE THIS FORM, CALL THE COMMISSION AT (301) 588-5260.

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APPLICATION OF TARIFF

The rules, regulations, fares and charges, as set forth herein, apply in connection with the provision of all charter, group and per capita sightseeing services authorized to be provided by Gold Line, Inc. pursuant to Certificate No. 14 issued to it pursuant to Order No. 2276.

EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS IN THE APPLICATION OF TARIFF

(A) - Charge Increase

(N) – New Material

(R) - Charge Decrease

A – Adults: See Rules No. 1 and No. 2, Section 2

(c) - Change Without Increase or Decrease in Charge

C – Children: See Rules No. 1 and No. 2, Section 2

- No Change in Charge

SECTION I – Rules and Regulations: Charter and Group Sightseeing

ITEM I: CHARTER AND GROUP SIGHTSEEING SERVICES

Rules and Regulations Relating to Charter and Group Sightseeing Services

- 1. Availability of Equipment** - Charges named herein are based on vehicles being furnished of sufficient seating capacity to accommodate the chartering party; but carrier reserves the right, when operating conditions so require, to furnish vehicles of greater capacity or of a different classification or type of vehicle ordered with charges to be based on vehicle ordered. All charges, except where full payment has been made in advance of trip, are subject to carrier's ability to supply necessary motor coaches for the service involved.
- 2. Baggage** - No passenger baggage will be checked by the carrier. Personal baggage, musical instruments, athletic equipment, and other items necessary for the purpose of the charter trip, and limited to the capacity of the chartered vehicle, will be transported in custody of the chartering party at no additional charge. Carrier assumes no responsibility or liability for such personal baggage and/or property transported by it.
- 3. Toll, Parking, and other Charges** – The charges named herein do not include bridge, tunnel, ferry fees, parking charges, admission fees, or any fee charged for the provision of an interpreter where the provision for such an interpreter is requested and required by the chartering party; such additional fees and charges must be paid by the party chartering the vehicle.
- 4. Sightseeing Service** – The term “Sightseeing Service” as used herein means a bus service in which a lecture of guide is used to lecture to passengers onboard the bus and to point out information to passengers as to the sights being seen by them.
- 5. Federal and Other Transportation Tax** – Any Federal or other transportation tax in effect at the time any transportation service is provided shall be added to the charges or fares stated herein.

6. Application of Charges

- a. Rates and charges named herein apply on trips over first class roads, such as paved, oiled macadam, or roads over which the equipment can be operated at the time of movement without undue wear.
- b. Charterer may select the routes and highways, if this is done well in advance of movement's beginning. When this is not done by charterer, carrier reserves the right to select routes and/or highways. However, carrier will not depart from the highways or routes specified by the charterer without consent of the charterer, except in case of a bonafide emergency preventing satisfactory use of specified route.
- c. If, during the trip, party or parties chartering the coach desire to change routing of the trip, or make extra side trips, or extend trips, additional charges will be assessed and collected therefore on the basis of fares and charges provided for in this tariff.
- d. Hours of chartered coach service will be computed as beginning at the time the vehicle is ordered to report, of the actual time vehicle reports and ending at the time the vehicle returns or reaches the agreed destination

7. Liability for Delays

- a. Carrier will not be liable for delays caused by accidents, breakdowns, bad conditions of the roads, snowstorms, and other conditions beyond its control, and does not guarantee to arrive at or depart from any point at any specified time.
- b. If conditions over which carrier has no control, such as weather, road conditions, or acts of God, in the opinion of the carrier, make it inadvisable to operate charter service either from point of origin or at any point enroute, the carrier will not be liable therefore, or be caused to be held for damage for any reason whatsoever.

8. Objectionable Persons – Carrier reserves the right to refuse to transport a person or persons under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs, or whose conduct is such, or is likely to be such, as to make him or her objectionable to passengers.

9. **Powers of Agents** - No agent or other employee shall have the authority to change or deviate from the rates, charges, or rules and regulations contained herein.
10. **Damage to Equipment** – Buses offered for charter service are carefully inspected by the carrier prior to assignment to such service. Any damage to seats, windows or other equipment or parts of the bus which is inflicted by any member of the chartering party shall be the responsibility of the chartering party, and the cost to the carrier for repairs of such damage shall be paid by the chartering party.
11. **Deposits** – A \$100 deposit per bus for single day trips or 10% deposit for multi-day trips is due within seven (7) days of booking. Final payment is due fourteen (14) days prior to the scheduled departure. Schools may submit Purchase Order Numbers to hold the reservation. Customers with approved credit may submit payment upon receipt of invoice after the trip.
12. **Forfeitures and Cancellations** - A forfeit of deposit will apply to any trip cancelled less than thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled departure. Charters cancelled less than 72 hours from the scheduled departure will receive a fee of 50% of the total booking amount. Charters cancelled on site will receive a cancellation fee of 100% of the total contract price.
13. **Minimum Charge** – A minimum charge of five (5) hours at the hourly rate per coach will be imposed for charter services.
14. **Animals** – Except designated service animals; dogs, cats, and other live animals or birds will not be carried.

**SECTION I – Rules and Regulations:
Charter and Group Sightseeing**

ITEM II: CHARGES FOR CHARTER AND/OR TRANSFER SERVICE

Charges for Charter and/or Transfer Service

The following charges will be assessed for each vehicle chartered (except one chartered for provision of group sightseeing service on which a guided or lectured service is provided, either by the operator of the vehicle or a person accompanying the sightseeing group especially to provide that service), subject to other Rules and Regulations contained herein:

1. Charter Service: Seating capacity of vehicle exclusive of driver’s seat

<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Rate</u>
55 Passenger (with lavatory)	\$115.00 per hour (A)
79 Passenger (with lavatory)	\$160.00 per hour (N)
30 Passenger Trolley Car	\$115.00 per hour (N)

2. Transfers: Transfer between two points in the Metropolitan Area

<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Rate</u>
55 Passenger (with lavatory)	\$500.00 per hour (A)
79 Passenger (with lavatory)	\$700.00 per hour (N)
30 Passenger Trolley Car	\$500.00 per hour (N)

**SECTION I – Rules and Regulations:
Charter and Group Sightseeing**

ITEM III: CHARGES FOR GROUP CHARTER SIGHTSEEING SERVICE

1. Driver as Lecturer

The following charges will be assessed for each vehicle chartered for the purpose of providing a group sightseeing service on which the operator of the vehicle, in addition to serving as the driver, also serves as lecturer, subject to the Rules and Regulations contained herein.

<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Rate</u>
55 Passenger (with lavatory)	\$145.00 per hour (A)
79 Passenger (with lavatory)	\$190.00 per hour (N)
30 Passenger Trolley Car	\$145.00 per hour (N)

2. Separate Lecturer

In any instance where a licensed guide or lecturer accompanies a charter vehicle, in addition to the operator of the vehicle and serves in that capacity, an additional charge will be made based upon the cost to the carrier.

ITEM IV: SMOKING, EATING, AND DRINKING POLICY

No smoking is allowed on any coach at any time. No eating or drinking is allowed on coaches within a 2-hour driving radius of Washington, DC without special arrangements and cleaning deposit.

ITEM V: PAYMENT OF CHARGES AND FEES

Payment of all charges and fees shall be the responsibility of the person or organization chartering vehicles; and carrier reserves the right to collect such charges in advance unless prior arrangements are made with carrier. A discount of 10% will be given to travel agents, tour brokers, hotel travel desks and other ground transportation companies which pay carriers charges within 30-days of the time invoice date on all charters.

SECTION II – Rules and Regulations: Per Capita Sightseeing Operations

ITEM I: SPECIAL PER CAPITA SIGHTSEEING OPERATIONS

Rules and Regulations Relating to Special Per Capita Sightseeing Services

1. **Fares** - Fares shown in item II herein are per capita adult, children, and family roundtrip fares applicable to the specific tours named herein.
2. **Children Fares** – Children under three (3) years of age, when accompanied by an adult passenger and not occupying a seat to the exclusion of another passenger, will be carried free. Children under three (3) years of age occupying a seat to the exclusion of another passenger, and children over three (3) years and under twelve (12) years of age, will be charged as indicated under the Children’s Fares in Item II.
3. **Family Fares** – Family fares include two (2) adult passengers and two (2) child passengers (see Children Fares for classification) purchasing a specific tour and traveling together. Family fares are only applicable to the specific tours named herein.
4. **Baggage** – Baggage will not be checked, Personal baggage in the custody of the passenger will be transported at no additional charge, but carrier assumes no responsibility or liability for such personal baggage.
5. **Tickets** – Tickets will be on sale daily, and will be honored when presented for scheduled tour.
6. **Loss of Tickets** – The Company will not be responsible for lost or stolen tickets, and they will not be replaced, refunded, or redeemed.
7. **Redemption of Tickets** – Tickets will be redeemed to the original purchaser at the fare paid, when no portion of the trip has been made. Requests for refund or unused tickets must be made to the place of

purchase. Online ticket purchases must be redeemed according to online instructions as printed on ticket(s). Requests for refunds of online purchases must be made according to instructions included with ticket.

8. **Responsibility** – Carrier will not be liable for delays caused by accidents, breakdowns, road conditions, storms, strikes, or other conditions beyond its control; and does not guarantee to arrive or depart from any point at a specific time. The right is reserved to substitute stops or change routing, when necessary. All claims for damage of any nature whatsoever must be made in writing within thirty (30) days to the offices of the Company at 5500 Tuxedo Road, Tuxedo, MD 20781.

9. **Cancellation of Tours** – Carrier reserves the right to cancel any tour advertised and/or scheduled to be operated by it at any time if the number of passengers presenting themselves for transportation is less than ten (10). Carrier further reserves the right to cancel any tour advertised and/or scheduled to be operated by it at any time due to severe weather conditions that impact safety or extensive road closures that will prohibit passengers the opportunity to sightsee or carrier from traveling.

10. **Tour Services and Related Charges** – Tour services include the furnishing of guide service, lecturers, arrangements for hotel, motel, and/or meal accommodations, admission fees, and other services and facilitates incidental to the conduct of the tour involved, as described in tour brochures or other advertising literature printed and distributed by carrier or on its behalf.

ITEM II: SPECIFIED TOURS AND FARES

Tour	Name	Total Charge		
		Adult	Child	Family
DC	DC In A Day Tour (9-hours)	\$50.00 (A)	\$10.00 (A)	\$115.00 (N)
L	DC After Dark Tour (4-hours)	\$45.00 (A)	\$10.00 (A)	\$105.00 (N)
G	Two-Day Grand Tour	\$125.00 (A)	\$40.00 (A)	\$300.00 (N)
T	Hop On ~Hop Off Tour (All Day On/Off)	\$35.00 (A)	\$20.00 (A)	\$100.00 (N)
VA	Mount Vernon/Arlington Cemetery Tour	\$90.00 (N)	\$30.00 (N)	\$225.00 (N)

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