



# BLACKSTONE VALLEY TOURISM COUNCIL

February 20, 2023

Mr. Terrence Mercer, Associate Administrator  
Division of Public Utilities and Carriers  
89 Jefferson Boulevard  
Warwick, RI 02888

Dear Mr. Mercer:

The Blackstone Valley Tourism Council is requesting a Change in Schedule Service for 2023 for the *EV Blackstone Valley Explorer*. We hold Intrastate Certificate W-1161.

We have held prices since 2016. We have managed through COVID 19 where we limited our passenger count. This year, we must face the facts of increased costs of operation and are seeking a change in fee structure.

We continue to maintain a USCG certified vessel, and our vessel continues to have USCG licensed Captain on board at all times.

The Tourism Council is proposing the following 45 minute historic and environment public tour schedule:

June 3 through October 29, 2023 - Saturday 4, 5, 6, and 7pm.

June 3 through October 29, 2023 - Sunday 1, 2, 3, 4,pm.

Cost for all historic and environmental tours:

\$15 - seniors 62 and older and children under 12 years. \$20 - adults.

The Tourism Council is proposing the following 20-minute Pirate public tour schedule:

September 9 through Oct 28, 2023 - Saturday 8, 9pm.

Cost for Pirate tours

\$20 - seniors and children. \$25 - adults.

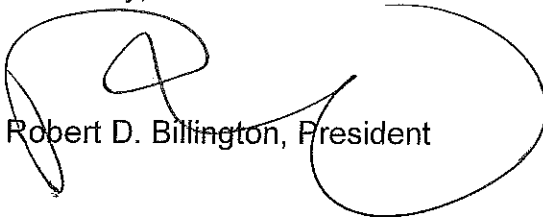
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All tours, all days will depart Central Falls Landing, 1420 Broad Street, Central Falls.

The Tourism Council will be operating 45 minute educational tours and charters from Festival Pier in Pawtucket and Central Falls Landing in Central Falls on demand. The cost is \$325.

Please let us know next steps in the Change of Scheduled Service procedure.

Sincerely,



Robert D. Billington, President