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BC TRANSIT CELEBRATES 30 YEARS OF SERVICE IN TERRACE

TERRACE, B.C. – On August 18, 2010, BC Transit celebrates 30 years of service in Terrace.

In 30 years, ridership on the Terrace Regional Transit System has grown to over 200,000 from 95,350 annually. In 1980, BC Transit operated 2 buses on 3 local routes. A decade later, BC Transit added door-to-door handyDART service for passengers with mobility difficulties. Today, 5 buses provide service in the Terrace community: 3 buses travel on 12 routes and 2 buses are dedicated to handyDART service.

“As Terrace celebrates 30 years of public transit, I want to extend my thanks to all of the people who support this important community service,” said Shirley Bond, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure. “I applaud Terrace for making public transit accessible, which in turn makes the community more livable and healthier by encouraging people to leave their cars at home.”

“For 30 years, BC Transit has supported the Terrace community’s increasing demand for sustainable transportation options,” said Manuel Achadinha, President and CEO of BC Transit.

BC Transit service in the Terrace region provides an effective option to private vehicle use, supporting British Columbia’s commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions 33 per cent by 2020.

Funding for the Terrace Regional Transit System is cost shared among the City of Terrace, the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine and BC Transit.

More information on the Terrace Regional Transit System can be found at www.bctransit.com.