



July 18, 2019

Via email: citizenengagement@gov.bc.ca

Dear Mr. Eby, MLA (Vancouver-Point Grey) and Attorney General,

Re: YVR Response to the B.C. Government's Daylight Savings Time Engagement

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our input as the Province embarks on a strategic review of how time is observed in British Columbia and the possible adoption of year-round Daylight Savings Time. As the community based, not-for-profit organization that manages operations at the Vancouver International Airport (YVR), our feedback is based on ensuring our region remains competitive while providing travellers with an outstanding experience.

YVR is the second busiest airport and one of the fastest growing airports in North America. We are a powerful connecting hub and economic contributor—supporting thousands of jobs, connecting local companies with customers around the world and welcoming millions of visitors to our province every year. Our tremendous growth and competitiveness within the Pacific Northwest region are driven largely by YVR's strategic location as a gateway between the Americas and the Asia Pacific Region.

It is our view that British Columbia should observe time in the same manner as U.S. states on the west coast and the Yukon. Operating in a different time zone to our neighbours would negatively impact the competitiveness of our region and create unnecessary confusion for businesses and travellers. Should state legislators choose to observe Daylight Savings Time year-round, then we believe that British Columbia should quickly follow suit.

Additionally, we encourage the B.C. government to engage its federal counterparts as the Province continues to explore its options. We believe it would be beneficial for the U.S. and Canadian governments to work together on a plan that ensures our two countries are aligned with how we observe time across North America going forward.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide comment on this important issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'CR', is placed above the typed name.

Craig Richmond
President & CEO
Vancouver Airport Authority