



**CERTIFIED DRIVER EXAMINERS ASSOCIATION**  
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The Certified Driver Examiner's Association (CDEA) would like to thank you for our meeting with you on November 28, 2018. Though our meeting centered around the issue of compensation we thank you for listening to our other concerns as well.

## **Compensation**

As per your request we have put together a proposal that would allow examiners "**fair market value**" for their businesses. Most important as small business owners we are proud that we contribute to the economy of Alberta.

We have consulted with commercial real estate agents, chartered accountants and professional business evaluators. Each of them has recognized that indeed we are businesses, and each believe that we are entitled to compensation.

The Alberta and Canadian government do recognize our businesses in the simple fact that they have no qualms in taking their fair share of corporate taxes over the years.

We would also like to point out to you that the Driver Examiner Procedure Manual does have a section that relates to businesses. This is under section 1.00.01c. Business Models.

It is quite clear to us that indeed we are businesses and have a legal opinion of the same.

What is "**fair market value**"? As mentioned earlier we had consulted with experts in the field and believe what we are submitting to you is "**fair market value**".

The role of a driver examiner is an important one that we take seriously; we affect Albertans lives on a daily basis. We are the last step before a driving license is issued in this province. The decisions that we make daily are based on two components two;

1. Does the individual obey all the rules applied to road testing?

## 2. Do they do it in a safe manner?

We have been endeavoring for the past twenty-five years to be professional in our duties as driver examiners. We work with people throughout the year in all kinds of weather, who do not always have the skill sets needed to pass a road examination. This puts us and the public at risk; if it was not for the examiners training and quick assessment to deal with potential accidents we would have far greater accidents on road tests.

Ultimately, we are motivated by one question, what do Albertans want for an examination model? Do Albertans want a subsidized driver examination model if it requires all citizens regardless of usage to pay more? It is an educated conclusion based on informal surveys with the public that while they are not entirely happy with current fees, they would rather that user's pay for driver examination services and not the population as whole.

**If the government chooses to repatriate examiners, then the CDEA is requesting that compensation for our businesses at fair market value.** Many examiners have worked in the industry for over twenty years and have established themselves as businesses that they wish to sell as part of their retirement funds.

We the CDEA are still requesting meeting with you directly, since any decision you make will greatly affect each and every one

of us. It is important, that examiner's voices be heard by the person who makes the final decision.

We thank you in advance for reading our proposal, if you have any questions or concerns please email us back and we will be happy to answer your questions.

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