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Founded in 1929, the Ontario Motor Coach Association is a full-service trade association representing 80 bus operators, over 100 tour operators and over 700 affiliated sellers to the group tour industry including attractions, destinations, hotels, and retail outlets across North America. Operator members provide scheduled intercity, charter, tour, school bus, contract, shuttle, airport and transit services. The OMCA works with all levels of government to outline the industry's contributions and concerns regarding a seamless, sustainable public and private passenger transportation network.

OMCA Supports Travel Industry Council of Ontario (TICO) Board Structure Staying the Same

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After a comprehensive review of TICO's Board structure and its election process, the TICO Board of Directors has decided not to recommend any changes to the current Board composition "We believe the industry is being well represented and that the process is fair", said Michael Janigan, TICO Board Chair. OMCA supports this decision.

Brian Crow, president of OMCA states, "OMCA was a founding partner of TICO and has been very active with TICO and has always seen the Board working effectively to represent the travel industry in Ontario while protecting consumers. We believe consumers have been protected by TICO since it's inception and the Board has worked to ensure that the mandate of the Travel Industry Act is achieved."

In April and May of 2010, TICO held town hall meetings in London, Sudbury, Ottawa and Toronto to discuss industry representation and Board composition, which OMCA members attended and completed the TICO Board compensation survey.

Ann Fairley, Vice President of OMCA says., "Many of our tour operator members are unique in the services they offer Ontario residents and we are pleased that they still have a voice at TICO and can continue to contribute."