

NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE MOTOR CARRIER ACT

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IN THE MATTER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE TRANSPORT ACT

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IN THE MATTER OF the approval of the monthly Motor Carrier Generic Fuel Adjustment Mechanism surcharge

BEFORE:  Roland A. Deveau, K.C., Vice Chair

ORDER

Pursuant to its *Discount Review* Decision [2015 NSUARB 33], the Board has approved the addition of a Generic Fuel Adjustment Mechanism (FAM) to the following licenses:

Windsor Senior Citizens Bus Society o/a The Community Bus N.S. - Motor Carrier License Nos. P03188 and P02778 (Diesel); and

Markie Bus Tours - Motor Carrier License No. P01922 and Extra-Provincial Operating License No. XP02441 (Diesel and Gasoline).

DIESEL

The FAM operates as a surcharge calculated at 1% for every 5 cents per litre that the average monthly Wholesale Diesel (Rack) Price in Halifax varies from the base fuel price of \$0.65/litre, as tracked by Kalibrate for Diesel (ULSD). The FAM is calculated by reviewing the fuel prices between the 16th of one month to the 15th of the next month.

For the period ended December 15, 2024, the average monthly Wholesale Diesel (Rack) Price in Halifax exceeded the base fuel price by 60.48 cents per litre, resulting in a 12.0% Diesel FAM surcharge.

GASOLINE

The FAM operates as a surcharge calculated at 1% for every 5 cents per litre that the average monthly Wholesale Gasoline (Rack) Price in Halifax varies from the base fuel price of \$0.57/litre, as tracked by Kalibrate for Gasoline. The FAM is calculated by reviewing the fuel prices between the 16th of one month to the 15th of the next month.

For the period ended December 15, 2024, the average monthly Wholesale Gasoline (Rack) Price in Halifax exceeded the base fuel price by 46.42 cents per litre, resulting in a 9.0% Gasoline FAM surcharge.

For the purposes of the current month, the average monthly Rack Price for both gasoline and diesel includes the federal fuel charges (carbon tax) starting July 1, 2023.

The Board orders that:

- 1) A Diesel FAM surcharge of 12.0% is approved for the Schedule D Rates of the licenses, effective on and after 12:01 A.M., January 1, 2025.
- 2) A Gasoline FAM surcharge of 9.0% is approved for the Schedule D Rates of the licenses, effective on and after 12:01 A.M., January 1, 2025.
- 3) The FAM surcharge shall remain in effect until such time as it is amended or terminated by the Board.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 16th day of December 2024.

Pamela McGarrigle

Clerk of the Board