## Schedule "A"

# Prices Prescribed for Petroleum Products under the *Petroleum Products Pricing Act* and the *Petroleum Products Pricing Regulations* effective on and after 12:01 a.m. on July 15, 2022

# NOVA SCOTIA PETROLEUM PRICE SCHEDULE

etroleum Prices in Cents/Litre					Self-Service Full-Service Pump Prices Pump Prices (Pump Prices Includes 15% HST)			
	Base Wholesale Price	Federal Excise Tax	Prov. Tax	Wholesale Selling Price	Min	Max	Min	Max
Zone 1								
Regular Unleaded	130.70	10.0	15.5	156.20	186.2	188.6	186.2	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	133.70	10.0	15.5	159.20	189.6	192.1	189.6	999.9
Premium Unleaded	136.70	10.0	15.5	162.20	193.1	195.5	193.1	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	142.52	4.0	15.4	161.92	192.4	194.7	192.4	999.9
Zone 2								
Regular Unleaded	131.20	10.0	15.5	156.70	186.8	189.2	186.8	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	134.20	10.0	15.5	159.70	190.2	192.6	190.2	999.9
Premium Unleaded	137.20	10.0	15.5	162.70	193.7	196.1	193.7	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	143.02	4.0	15.4	162.42	193.0	195.3	193.0	999.9
Zone 3								
Regular Unleaded	131.60	10.0	15.5	157.10	187.2	189.6	187.2	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	134.60	10.0	15.5	160.10	190.7	193.1	190.7	999.9
Premium Unleaded	137.60	10.0	15.5	163.10	194.1	196.5	194.1	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	143.42	4.0	15.4	162.82	193.5	195.8	193.5	999.9
Zone 4								
Regular Unleaded	131.70	10.0	15.5	157.20	187.3	189.8	187.3	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	134.70	10.0	15.5	160.20	190.8	193.2	190.8	999.9
Premium Unleaded	137.70	10.0	15.5	163.20	194.2	196.7	194.2	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	143.52	4.0	15.4	162.92	193.6	195.9	193.6	999.9
Zone 5								
Regular Unleaded	131.70	10.0	15.5	157.20	187.3	189.8	187.3	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	134.70	10.0	15.5	160.20	190.8	193.2	190.8	999.9
Premium Unleaded	137.70	10.0	15.5	163.20	194.2	196.7	194.2	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	143.52	4.0	15.4	162.92	193.6	195.9	193.6	999.9
Zone 6								
Regular Unleaded	132.40	10.0	15.5	157.90	188.1	190.6	188.1	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	135.40	10.0	15.5	160.90	191.6	194.0	191.6	999.9
Premium Unleaded	138.40	10.0	15.5	163.90	195.0	197.5	195.0	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	144.22	4.0	15.4	163.62	194.4	196.7	194.4	999.9

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# NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD

#### IN THE MATTER OF THE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS PRICING ACT

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**IN THE MATTER OF PRESCRIBING PRICES** for **Petroleum Products** under Section 14 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Act* and Sections 16 to 19 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Regulations* 

#### **BEFORE**:



Stephen McGrath, LL.B., Chair

# **DECISION AND ORDER**

Under s. 16 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Regulations*, the Board must prescribe a benchmark price for specified petroleum products every Friday.

The benchmark price prescribed by the Board is the average of the average of the daily high and low reported product prices (in Canadian cents) since the last benchmark price adjustment for the petroleum product.

The Board must also prescribe retail mark-ups and calculate wholesale margins considering any factors the Board finds relevant, including transportation adjustments. The Board last set wholesale margins in its Decision, 2021 NSUARB 146; retail mark-ups in its Decision, 2021 NSUARB 50; and transportation adjustments in its Decision, 2016 NSUARB 168.

Following the Board's recent retail mark-up Decision [2021 NSUARB 50], it approved a monthly retail mark-up adjustment mechanism to address reduced sales volumes from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The adjustment mechanism was implemented by the Board for gasoline and diesel oil adjustments in an Order dated June 2, 2021, but discontinued for diesel oil in an Order dated November 26, 2021.

At each price setting, the Board may apply a forward averaging correction, based on historical prices, to achieve revenue neutrality.

At appropriate times of the year, the Board may also require an additional margin for winter blending of ultra-low-sulfur diesel oil.

Based on the foregoing and other requirements in the *Petroleum Products Pricing* Act and Regulations, the Board finds it appropriate to prescribe the benchmark prices and adjustments in Table "A", the COVID-19 related retail mark-up adjustment for gasoline in Table "B", and the prices for Petroleum Products in Schedule "A" effective on and after 12:01 A.M. July 15, 2022:

Petroleum Product	Benchmark Price	Forward Averaging (+/-)	Winter Blending	
Gasoline (Grade 1)	119.45			
Gasoline (Grade 2)	122.45	-1.00		
Gasoline (Grade 3)	125.45			
Ultra-Low-Sulfur Diesel Oil	129.77	- 1.05	NIL	

TABLE "A" (cents per litre)

## TABLE "B" (cents per litre)

COVID-19 Retail Mark-up Adjustment (Gasoline only)				
Minimum Self-Service and Full-Service	+ 0.3			
Maximum Self-Service	+ 0.4			

**DATED** at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022.

<u>Crystal Henwood</u> Clerk of the Board