#### 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 August 26, 2022

#### NOVA SCOTIA PETROLEUM PRICE SCHEDULE Petroleum Prices in Cents/Litre Self-Service Full-Service Pump Prices Pump Prices (Pump Prices Includes 15% HST) Base **Federal** Wholesale Wholesale **Excise** Prov. Selling Min Min Max Max **Price** Tax Tax **Price** Zone 1 10.0 164.3 999.9 Regular Unleaded 111.81 15.5 137.31 164.3 166.8 999.9 Mid-Grade Unleaded 114.81 10.0 15.5 140.31 167.8 170.2 167.8 Premium Unleaded 117.81 10.0 15.5 143.31 171.2 173.7 171.2 999.9 Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel 148.00 4.0 15.4 167.40 198.7 201.0 198.7 999.9 Zone 2 Regular Unleaded 112.31 10.0 15.5 137.81 164.9 167.3 164.9 999.9 Mid-Grade Unleaded 10.0 140.81 168.4 170.8 168.4 999.9 115.31 15.5 999.9 118.31 10.0 174.2 171.8 Premium Unleaded 15.5 143.81 171.8 Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel 148.50 4.0 15.4 167.90 199.3 201.6 199.3 999.9 Zone 3 999.9 Regular Unleaded 112.71 10.0 15.5 138.21 165.4 167.8 165.4 Mid-Grade Unleaded 115.71 10.0 15.5 141.21 168.8 171.2 168.8 999.9 Premium Unleaded 118.71 10.0 15.5 144.21 172.3 174.7 172.3 999.9 Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel 148.90 168.30 199.8 202.1 199.8 999.9 4.0 15.4 Zone 4 Regular Unleaded 112.81 10.0 15.5 138.31 165.5 167.9 165.5 999.9 Mid-Grade Unleaded 10.0 141.31 999.9 115.81 15.5 168.9 171.4 168.9 Premium Unleaded 118.81 10.0 15.5 144.31 172.4 174.8 172.4 999.9 Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel 149.00 4.0 15.4 168.40 199.9 202.2 199.9 999.9 Zone 5 Regular Unleaded 112.81 10.0 15.5 138.31 165.5 167.9 165.5 999.9 Mid-Grade Unleaded 115.81 10.0 15.5 141.31 168.9 171.4 168.9 999.9 Premium Unleaded 10.0 172.4 999.9 118.81 15.5 144.31 172.4 174.8 199.9 999.9 Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel 149.00 4.0 15.4 168.40 199.9 202.2 Zone 6 10.0 999.9 Regular Unleaded 113.51 15.5 139.01 166.3 168.7 166.3 Mid-Grade Unleaded 116.51 10.0 15.5 142.01 169.8 172.2 169.8 999.9 Premium Unleaded 119.51 10.0 15.5 145.01 173.2 175.6 173.2 999.9

Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel

149.70

4.0

15.4

169.10

200.7

203.0

200.7

999.9

### **NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD**

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

- and -

**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:** 

lennifer L. Nicholson, CPA, CA, Member

### **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. August 26, 2022:

TABLE "A" (cents per litre)

Petroleum Product	Benchmark Price	Forward Averaging (+/-)	Winter Blending
Gasoline (Grade 1)	101.46		
Gasoline (Grade 2)	104.46	-1.9	
Gasoline (Grade 3)	107.46		
Ultra-Low-Sulfur Diesel Oil	133.20	+1.0	NIL

## TABLE "B" (cents per litre)

COVID-19 Retail Mark-up Adjustment (Gasoline only)		
Minimum Self-Service and Full-Service	+0.2	
Maximum Self-Service	+0.3	

**DATED** at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 2022.

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

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