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 December 9, 2022

Petroleum Prices in Cents/Litre						ervice Prices	Pump	ervice Prices
	Base	Fed.		Wholesale	(Pum	p Prices Inc	ludes 15%	HST)
	Wholesale Price	Excise Tax	Prov. Tax	Selling Price	Min	Max	Min	Max
Zone 1								
Regular Unleaded	91.71	10.0	15.5	117.21	141.2	143.5	141.2	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	94.71	10.0	15.5	120.21	144.7	147.0	144.7	999.9
Premium Unleaded	97.71	10.0	15.5	123.21	148.1	150.4	148.1	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	174.97	4.0	15.4	194.37	230.7	233.0	230.7	999.9
Zone 2								
Regular Unleaded	92.21	10.0	15.5	117.71	141.8	144.1	141.8	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	95.21	10.0	15.5	120.71	145.3	147.6	145.3	999.9
Premium Unleaded	98.21	10.0	15.5	123.71	148.7	151.0	148.7	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	175.47	4.0	15.4	194.87	231.2	233.5	231.2	999.9
Zone 3								
Regular Unleaded	92.61	10.0	15.5	118.11	142.3	144.6	142.3	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	95.61	10.0	15.5	121.11	145.7	148.0	145.7	999.9
Premium Unleaded	98.61	10.0	15.5	124.11	149.2	151.5	149.2	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	175.87	4.0	15.4	195.27	231.7	234.0	231.7	999.9
Zone 4								
Regular Unleaded	92.71	10.0	15.5	118.21	142.4	144.7	142.4	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	95.71	10.0	15.5	121.21	145.8	148.1	145.8	999.9
Premium Unleaded	98.71	10.0	15.5	124.21	149.3	151.6	149.3	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	175.97	4.0	15.4	195.37	231.8	234.1	231.8	999.9
Zone 5								
Regular Unleaded	92.71	10.0	15.5	118.21	142.4	144.7	142.4	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	95.71	10.0	15.5	121.21	145.8	148.1	145.8	999.9
Premium Unleaded	98.71	10.0	15.5	124.21	149.3	151.6	149.3	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	175.97	4.0	15.4	195.37	231.8	234.1	231.8	999.9
Zone 6								
Regular Unleaded	93.41	10.0	15.5	118.91	143.2	145.5	143.2	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	96.41	10.0	15.5	121.91	146.6	148.9	146.6	999.9
Premium Unleaded	99.41	10.0	15.5	124.91	150.1	152.4	150.1	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	176.67	4.0	15.4	196.07	232.6	234.9	232.6	999.9

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: Bruce H. Fisher, MPA, CPA, CMA, 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.

The Board also issued an Order on September 12, 2022 [2022 NSUARB 140], approving an adjustment mechanism to retail mark-ups for gasoline and diesel oil to account for the impact of credit card fees charged to retailers.

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 credit card fee retail mark-up adjustments in Table "B", and the prices for Petroleum Products in Schedule "A" effective on and after 12:01 A.M., December 9, 2022:

TABLE "A" (cents per litre)

Petroleum Product	Benchmark Price	Forward Averaging (+/-)	Winter Blending	
Gasoline (Grade 1)	82.66			
Gasoline (Grade 2)	85.66	-3.20		
Gasoline (Grade 3)	88.66			
Ultra-Low-Sulfur Diesel Oil	108.62	-4.30	56.85	

TABLE "B" (cents per litre)

Credit Card Fee Retail Mark-up Adjustment				
Gasoline Minimum Self-Service and Full-Service	+0.20			
Gasoline Maximum Self-Service	+0.20			
Ultra-Low-Sulfur Diesel Minimum Self-Service and Full-Service	+0.80			
Ultra-Low-Sulfur Diesel Maximum Self-Service	+0.80			

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 8th day of December 2022.

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