

ORDER

NSUARB-GAS-W-12-19

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 pursuant to section 14 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Act* and sections 16 to 19 of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Regulations*

BEFORE:



Peter W. Gurnham, Q.C., Chair

N.S. Regulations 102/2012

**FILED**

Date May 14, 2012

RACHEL L. JONES  
REGISTRAR OF REGULATIONS

ORDER

**WHEREAS** the purpose of the *Petroleum Products Pricing Regulations* is to ensure just and reasonable prices for specified petroleum products taking into consideration the objectives of preserving the availability of such products in rural areas, stabilizing prices of such products and minimizing the variances in prices of such products across the Province;

**AND WHEREAS** the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board ("Board") considered the manner in which it would proceed to set petroleum product prices in its Decision, 2006 NSUARB 108, issued on October 16, 2006;

**AND WHEREAS** the Board revised the retail margin and transportation allowance effective January 6, 2012, in its Decision, 2011 NSUARB 181, issued on November 23, 2011;

**AND WHEREAS** the average of the average of the daily high and low reported product prices (in Canadian cents) for the week ended May 9, 2012 are:

Grade 1 Regular gasoline 77.0¢ per litre  
Ultra-low sulfur diesel oil 81.1¢ per litre

**NOW THEREFORE** the Board prescribes the benchmark prices for petroleum products to be:

Gasoline:  
Grade 1 77.0¢ per litre  
Grade 2 80.0¢ per litre  
Grade 3 83.0¢ per litre  
Ultra-low sulfur diesel oil 81.1¢ per litre

**AND NOW THEREFORE** the Board has determined, based on historical data regarding price changes and to achieve revenue neutrality, it is appropriate to apply, and the Board so orders, forward averaging corrections of:

Gasoline: minus 1.2¢ per litre  
Ultra-low sulfur diesel oil: minus 0.8¢ per litre

**AND NOW THEREFORE** the Board prescribes the prices for Petroleum Products as set forth in Schedule "A" effective on and after 12:01 A.M. May 11, 2012;

**DATED** at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012.

  
Clerk of the Board

**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 May 11, 2012**

<b>NOVA SCOTIA PETROLEUM PRICE SCHEDULE</b>								
<b>Petroleum Prices in Cents/Litre</b>					<b>Self-Service Pump Prices</b>		<b>Full-Service Pump Prices</b>	
	<b>Base Wholesale Price</b>	<b>Fed. Excise Tax</b>	<b>Prov. Tax</b>	<b>Wholesale Selling Price</b>	<b>(Pump Prices Includes 15% HST)</b>		<b>Min</b>	<b>Max</b>
					<b>Min</b>	<b>Max</b>	<b>Min</b>	<b>Max</b>
<b>Zone 1</b>								
Regular Unleaded	82.3	10.0	15.5	107.8	129.5	131.6	129.5	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	85.3	10.0	15.5	110.8	132.9	135.0	132.9	999.9
Premium Unleaded	88.3	10.0	15.5	113.8	136.4	138.5	136.4	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	86.8	4.0	15.4	106.2	127.7	129.7	127.7	999.9
<b>Zone 2</b>								
Regular Unleaded	82.8	10.0	15.5	108.3	130.1	132.1	130.1	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	85.8	10.0	15.5	111.3	133.5	135.6	133.5	999.9
Premium Unleaded	88.8	10.0	15.5	114.3	137.0	139.0	137.0	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	87.3	4.0	15.4	106.7	128.2	130.3	128.2	999.9
<b>Zone 3</b>								
Regular Unleaded	83.2	10.0	15.5	108.7	130.5	132.6	130.5	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	86.2	10.0	15.5	111.7	134.0	136.0	134.0	999.9
Premium Unleaded	89.2	10.0	15.5	114.7	137.4	139.5	137.4	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	87.7	4.0	15.4	107.1	128.7	130.8	128.7	999.9
<b>Zone 4</b>								
Regular Unleaded	83.3	10.0	15.5	108.8	130.6	132.7	130.6	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	86.3	10.0	15.5	111.8	134.1	136.2	134.1	999.9
Premium Unleaded	89.3	10.0	15.5	114.8	137.5	139.6	137.5	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	87.8	4.0	15.4	107.2	128.8	130.9	128.8	999.9
<b>Zone 5</b>								
Regular Unleaded	83.3	10.0	15.5	108.8	130.6	132.7	130.6	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	86.3	10.0	15.5	111.8	134.1	136.2	134.1	999.9
Premium Unleaded	89.3	10.0	15.5	114.8	137.5	139.6	137.5	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	87.8	4.0	15.4	107.2	128.8	130.9	128.8	999.9
<b>Zone 6</b>								
Regular Unleaded	84.0	10.0	15.5	109.5	131.4	133.5	131.4	999.9
Mid-Grade Unleaded	87.0	10.0	15.5	112.5	134.9	137.0	134.9	999.9
Premium Unleaded	90.0	10.0	15.5	115.5	138.3	140.4	138.3	999.9
Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel	88.5	4.0	15.4	107.9	129.6	131.7	129.6	999.9