

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P.P. 30(2025)

1 **IN THE MATTER OF** the **Petroleum Products**
2 **Act**, SNL 2001, Chapter P-10.1 and regulations
3 thereunder; and
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5 **IN THE MATTER OF** a request from the Minister
6 pursuant to Section 8.1(3) of the **Petroleum**
7 **Products Act** to review the suitability of the
8 pricing mechanism for benchmark prices and
9 the maximum mark-up between the wholesale
10 price to the retailer and the retail price to the
11 consumer for all regulated fuels; and
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13 **IN THE MATTER OF** changes with respect to
14 total allowed mark-ups for regulated petroleum
15 products in Labrador as a result of the Board's
16 Petroleum Products Pricing Review.
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19 **WHEREAS** on June 7, 2022, pursuant to Section 8.1(3) of the **Petroleum Products Act**, the
20 Minister of Digital Government and Service NL requested that the Board review the suitability
21 of the pricing mechanism for benchmark prices and the maximum mark-up between the
22 wholesale price to the retailer and the retail price to the consumer for all regulated fuels; and
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24 **WHEREAS** as part of the Petroleum Products Pricing Review (the "Review") the Board engaged
25 consultants and sought information and feedback from the industry, consumers and
26 community groups; and
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28 **WHEREAS** on October 1, 2024 the Board issued a consultation document for industry and public
29 input which outlined potential changes to benchmarking, mark-ups and zone differentials, and
30 other pricing matters, for Labrador; and
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32 **WHEREAS** on March 13, 2025, the Board issued a final report for Labrador which outlined in
33 detail the changes to petroleum products pricing to be implemented in Labrador, including the
34 Board's rationale and implementation plan for those changes; and

1 **WHEREAS** the Board considered all information and feedback provided by its consultants, the
2 industry, consumers and community groups during the Review and concluded that for
3 Labrador:

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- 5 • Wholesale mark-ups for gasoline and diesel motor fuels and stove oil heating fuel will be
6 adjusted in all Labrador pricing zones to align with the wholesale mark-ups implemented
7 on the Island portion of the Province in Order No. P.P. 6(2025);
- 8 • Zone differentials for gasoline and diesel motor fuels and stove oil heating fuel will be
9 decreased in all Labrador pricing zones to reflect the net impact of:
 - 10 ○ changes to offset the wholesale mark-up increases; and,
 - 11 ○ changes to reflect cost increases since the differentials were last adjusted;
- 12 • Increases to the retail mark-ups for gasoline and diesel motor fuels and stove oil heating
13 fuel in all Labrador pricing zones are warranted;
- 14 • The resulting changes to mark-ups and zone differentials should be phased-in weekly
15 over a period of 5 weeks;
- 16 • Adjustments to the total allowed mark-ups and zone differentials for propane heating
17 fuel in Labrador are warranted;
- 18 • Zone 11b - Coastal Labrador South (Drum Delivery) should be combined with Zone 11a -
19 Coastal Labrador South (Tanker Supplied) at Zone 11a's pricing.
- 20 • The Town of Cartwright should be established as a new pricing zone 11c in Labrador,
21 with new zone differentials reflecting the cost of supply;
- 22 • Maximum prices should continue to be adjusted seasonally based on actual acquisition
23 costs in marine tanker supplied areas of Labrador;
- 24 • The effective day of weekly maximum price adjustments should move to Friday instead
25 of Thursday for Zones 13 and 13a;
- 26 • Argus Media-reported market data should replace Platts US Marketscan-reported
27 market data in the calculation of average benchmark prices for Zones 13 and 13a;
- 28 • A 5-day average, rather than a 7-day average, should be used in the calculation of
29 benchmark prices for Zones 13 and 13a; and
- 30 • A new diesel motor fuel blend schedule should be implemented commencing in the fall
31 of 2025 for Zones 13 and 13a; and

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33 **WHEREAS** in Order No. P.P. 18(2025) the Board lifted the suspension of maximum price
34 adjustments for gasoline and diesel motor fuels and stove oil heating fuel in Zones 10, 11, 11a,
35 12 and 14 to implement changes flowing from the Review; and

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37 **WHEREAS** in Order No. P.P. 19(2025) the Board commenced the implementation of the
38 changes flowing from the Review for Labrador, including mark-up and zone differential changes
39 for gasoline and diesel motor fuels and stove oil and propane heating fuels in Labrador; and

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41 **WHEREAS** in Order No. P.P. 21(2025) the Board continued the implementation of the changes
42 flowing from the Review for Labrador, including retail mark-up changes for gasoline and diesel
43 motor fuels and stove oil heating fuel; and

1 **WHEREAS** in Order No. P.P. 26(2025) further changes flowing from the Review for Labrador
2 were implemented by the Board, including retail mark-up changes for gasoline and diesel motor
3 fuels and stove oil heating fuel; and
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5 **WHEREAS** the Board is satisfied that the implementation of the mark-up changes should
6 continue and therefore retail mark-ups for gasoline and diesel motor fuels in Labrador should
7 change accordingly.
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10 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**
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- 12 1. The total allowed mark-ups for gasoline and diesel motor fuels, as set out in Schedule A
13 to this Order, are approved for Labrador effective 12:01 a.m. Friday, April 11, 2025.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 10th day of April, 2025.


Dwanda Newman, LL.B.
Vice-Chair


John O'Brien, FCPA, FCA, CISA
Commissioner


Jo-Anne Galarneau
Board Secretary

Gasoline Motor Fuels All Labrador Zones Excluding Zones 11a and 14				
Product	Type of Mark-Up	Current	Phase-In Adjustment	New
Gasoline	Wholesale	15.65	N/A	15.65
	Retail	12.28	+1.00	13.28
	Total Allowed	27.93	+1.00	28.93

Gasoline Motor Fuels Zones 11a and 14				
Product	Type of Mark-Up	Current	Phase-In Adjustment	New
Gasoline	Wholesale	15.65	N/A	15.65
	Retail	12.67	+0.61	13.28
	Total Allowed	28.32	+0.61	28.93

Diesel Motor Fuel All Labrador Zones				
Product	Type of Mark-Up	Current	Phase-In Adjustment	New
Diesel	Wholesale	14.07	N/A	14.07
	Retail	16.03	+1.00	17.03
	Total Allowed	30.10	+1.00	31.10