

MEDIA RELEASE

Thursday, January 15, 2015

Adjustment of Maximum Prices of Regulated Petroleum Products *Adjustments to total allowed mark-up for heating and motor fuels also implemented*

Effective 12:01 a.m. Thursday, January 15, 2015 the Public Utilities Board set maximum prices for all regulated petroleum products in all areas of the province, except where maximum price adjustments have been suspended for the winter months.

The changes to maximum fuel prices which are set out below reflect approved increases to the total allowed mark-up as well as the weekly adjustment related to benchmark prices:

- all types of gasoline motor fuel will decrease by up to 0.6 cents per litre (cpl);
- diesel motor fuel will increase by up to 0.5 cpl;
- furnace oil heating fuel will decrease by 2.67 cpl;
- stove oil heating fuel will decrease by 0.67 cpl; and,
- propane heating fuel will decrease by 1.0 cpl.

These changes include adjustments to the total allowed mark-up and the wholesale mark-up as set out in the tables attached to this release. These adjustments were approved by the Board in Order No. P.P. 2(2015) issued today following the conclusion of a comprehensive review of the mark-ups on motor and heating fuels in the Province. The total allowed mark-up is intended to allow retailers and wholesalers of price regulated petroleum products to recover reasonable costs associated with the supply of these products to consumers across the Province, including transportation and storage costs, and operating expenses such as pump costs and salaries.

The changes to the maximum fuel prices set out above also reflect the regular weekly change in the average benchmark price of the products over the seven-day period ending Tuesday of this week. As an example, the average benchmark price for gasoline, as tracked on the New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) and converted to Canadian dollars, decreased over the period by 4.2 cpl, and accounting for the adjustment to the total allowed margin, taxation and rounding the resulting decrease is approximately 0.6 cpl.

Order No. P.P. 2(2015) can be viewed on the Board's website www.pub.nl.ca.

The next scheduled price change is Thursday, January 22, 2015.

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*Regulated Motor Fuels and Heating Fuels
Adjustments to the Total Allowed Mark-up and Allowed Wholesale Mark-up
Board Order No. P.P. 2(2015)*

Motor Fuels All Zones			
Gasoline	Current	Adjustment	New
Wholesale Mark-up	8.58	+1.16	9.74
Retail	6.25	+2.48	8.73
Total Allowed Mark-up	14.83	+3.64	18.47
Diesel	Current	Adjustment	New
Wholesale Mark-up	8.00	+1.16	9.16
Retail	10.00	+2.48	12.48
Total Allowed Mark-up	18.00	+3.64	21.64

Heating Fuels (Excluding Zones 4a, 7b, 11, 11a & 14)			
Furnace Oil	Current	Adjustment	New
Wholesale Mark-up	4.50	+0.61	5.11
Retail	16.56	0.00	16.56
Total Allowed Mark-up	21.06	+0.61	21.67
Stove Oil	Current	Adjustment	New
Wholesale Mark-up	7.50	+0.61	8.11
Retail	18.38	0.00	18.38
Total Allowed Mark-up	25.88	+0.61	26.49

Heating Fuels Zones 4a & 7b			
Furnace Oil	Current	Adjustment	New
Wholesale Mark-up	6.50	+0.61	7.11
Retail	14.56	0.00	14.56
Total Allowed Mark-up	21.06	+0.61	21.67
Stove Oil	Current	Adjustment	New
Wholesale Mark-up	11.00	+0.61	11.61
Retail	14.88	0.00	14.88
Total Allowed Mark-up	25.88	+0.61	26.49

Heating Fuels Zones 11, 11a & 14			
Stove Oil	Current	Adjustment	New
Wholesale Mark-up	14.88	+0.61	15.49
Retail	11.00	0.00	11.00
Total Allowed Mark-up	25.88	+0.61	26.49

Propane Heating Fuel All Zones			
Propane	Current	Adjustment	New
Total Allowed Mark-up	47.60	0.00	47.60