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# Fee Schedule For Environmental Assessment

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Effective April 1, 2007, the following fees will be applied to all undertakings required to register for environmental assessment as identified under the Environmental Assessment Regulations. Fees have been increased 6.8 per cent since the last government-wide increase to user fees and government charges, in April 2004.

Environmental assessments are a time consuming and exacting job that are crucial in maintaining the environment and protecting public health. In most cases the fees charged represent only a portion of the actual cost of performing the assessment. If you have any questions regarding these fees please contact the Environmental Assessment Branch at (902)424-3230. The fee schedule is as follows:

## 1. Fees

(A) Category I* Environmental Assessment Registration	\$14,786.46
(B) Category II* Environmental Assessment Registration	\$9554.33
(C) Category III* Environmental Assessment Registration	\$5459.62
(D) Approval Transfer**	\$568.71
(E) Focus Report***	\$5687.10
(F) Environmental Assessment Report***	\$14786.46
(G) Additional Information Request***	½ Registration Fee

\* Activities requiring an Environmental Assessment are identified by Category in Attachment #1.

\*\* This fee applies where an approval is transferred from one proponent to another.

\*\*\* These additional fees only apply to Category II & III undertakings and only if and when the Minister decides this information is required.

## 2. Hearings and Panel Reviews

- (A) All costs associated with Environmental Assessment Board reviews and hearings.
- (B) All costs associated with joint federal-provincial environmental assessment panels.

All cheques are to be made payable to the Minister of Finance and submitted to the Environmental Assessment Branch Secretary, NSEL, 5151 Terminal Road, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, PO Box 697, Halifax, NS B3J 2T8. All fees are due at the time of document submission and documents will not be considered received until submission of the appropriate fee.

**Attachment #1**  
**(updated April 2003)**

**Environmental Assessments According to Category**

**Category I**

1. heavy water plant
2. pulp mill
3. paper mill
4. pulp and paper mill
5. petrochemical plant
6. cement plant
7. oil refinery
8. metal smelter
9. lead and battery plant
10. ferro-alloy plant
11. non-ferrous metal smelter
12. facility for the manufacture, processing or reprocessing of radioactive materials
13. common or public highway, or associated structures, which is 10 km or more in length and is designed for 4 or more lanes of traffic
14. electric generating facility with a production rating of 10 megawatts or more, including a hydroelectric generating facility when the cumulative power generation capacity on any single river system equals or exceeds 10 megawatts, but excluding an electric generating facility of any production rating which use wind energy as its sole power source.
15. water reservoir where the designed storage capacity exceeds the mean volume of the natural water body by 10,000,000 m<sup>3</sup> or more
16. corridor for one or more electric power transmission lines with a cumulative voltage rating which equals or exceeds 345 kilovolts
17. facility for the incineration of municipal solid waste

**Category II**

18. facility engaged in producing fish meal
19. rendering plant
20. onshore pipeline 5 km or more in length excluding a pipeline of any length carrying natural gas with a maximum operating pressure below 500 psig (3450 kPa), water, steam or domestic wastewater
21. facility engaged in the extraction or processing of metallic and non-metallic minerals, coal, peat moss, gypsum, limestone, bituminous shale or oil shale
  
22. pit or quarry in excess of 4 ha in area primarily engaged in the extraction of

23. ordinary stone, building or construction stone, sand, gravel or ordinary soil common and public highway or associated structures which is more than 2 km and less than 10 km in length and is designed for 4 or more lanes of traffic
24. storage facility with a total capacity of over 5000 m<sup>3</sup> intended to hold liquid or gaseous substances including, but not limited to, hydrocarbons or chemicals, but excluding water
25. electric generating facility which has a production rating of 2 megawatts or more derived from wind energy.

### **Category III**

25. transformer station having an energy capacity greater than 230 kilovolts
26. permanent commercial facility for the handling of waste dangerous goods
27. project which involves the transfer of water between drainage basins where the drainage area to be diverted is greater than 1 km<sup>2</sup>
28. enterprise, activity, project, structure or work which disrupts a total of 2 ha or more of any wetland
29. facility for the manufacture of wood products that are pressure treated with chemical products
30. facility engaged in the production, wholesale storage or wholesale distribution of dangerous goods