

NOTICE

TO: Depot Network

DATE: December 2, 2024

RE: **New Handling Commissions: Effective May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026**

On November 20, 2024, the BCMB's Board of Directors approved a **14.8% increase to the average handling commission** based on calculations in the 2024 Annual Update Report (AUR). The new handling commissions are effective May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026 and can be found on pages 5-6 in the Handling Commission By-law on the [BCMB website](#). These have also been listed on page 2 of this notice.

The Process

Handling commissions are reviewed annually through a process described within the Handling Commission By-law. Section 13.5 of the By-law indicates that should the average handling commissions currently in effect "differ in amount by more than +/- 0.3 of 1%, **the Board shall approve** the updated Handling Commissions effective as of May 1."

This process was completed at the November 20, 2024, Board meeting.

2025-2026 Handling Commission Review

As this is the fifth AUR produced since the last Handling Commission Review and four consecutive one-year extensions by agreement have been reached, the BCMB Board will commence a Handling Commission Review in February of 2025 as per Section 13.11 of the Handling Commission By-law.

The rates produced from the 2025-2026 Handling Commission Review process will become effective May 1, 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact Alyson Baxter, Manager of Analytics at abaxter@bcmb.ab.ca.



NOTICE (continued)

Handling Commission Rates (effective May 1, 2025–April 30, 2026)

	Material Stream	Handling Commission Effective May 1, 2025
(a)	Aluminum 0-1 litre – per container	3.871 ¢
(b)	Bag in Box Over 1 Litre – per container	45.566 ¢
(c)	Bi Metal 0 - 1 Litre – per container	9.589 ¢
(d)	Bi Metal Over 1 Litre – per container	21.166 ¢
(e)	Specialty Containers– per container	3,149.000 ¢
(f)	Drink Pouch 0 - 1 Litre – per container	8.174 ¢
(g)	Gable Top 0 -1 Litre – per container	8.014 ¢
(h)	Gable Top Over 1 Litre – per container	15.466 ¢
(i)	Glass 0 - 1 Litre – per container	9.063 ¢
(j)	Glass Over 1 Litre – per container	18.134 ¢
(k)	HDPE Plastics Natural Over 1 Litre – per container	18.191 ¢
(l)	Industry Standard Bottle Refillable – per container	7.425 ¢
(m)	Liquor and Wine Ceramics – per container	180.515 ¢
(n)	Molson Coors MGD Refillable 355 ml – per container	8.172 ¢
(o)	Moosehead Refillable – per container	10.100 ¢
(p)	Other Plastics 0-1 Litre – per container	5.969 ¢
(q)	Other Plastics over 1 Litre – per container	17.147 ¢
(r)	PET 0 - 1 Litre (Clear & Light Blue Tint) – per container	5.168 ¢
(s)	PET Over 1 Litre (Clear & Light Blue Tint) – per container	14.770 ¢
(t)	Plastic one-way Keg Over 1 Litre – per container	205.679 ¢
(u)	Sleemans Refillable – per container	8.300 ¢
(v)	Small Sleeve-in-a-Box – per container	22.96 ¢
(w)	Steam Whistle Refillable – per container	9.808 ¢
(x)	Tetra Brik 0 - 1 Litre – per container	6.017 ¢
(y)	Tetra Brik Over 1 Litre – per container	18.753 ¢



Background on Handling Commission Rates

Source	Handling Commission Review 2019 – 2020	Annual Update Report (AUR) 2020 & Covid Subsidy Agreement*			AUR 2021, Covid Subsidy Agreement*		AUR 2022	AUR 2023	AUR 2024
Year Applied	2020	2021			2022		2023	2024	2025
Revenue Requirement	\$108,695,422	2020 AUR	Covid Agreement	Actual Applied (2020 AUR + Covid Agreement)	2021 AUR (Not applied due to Covid Agreement)	Rate maintained from 2020 AUR due to Covid Agreement	\$137,621,699	\$112,402,506	\$129,633,934
		\$101,010,025	\$3,061,684	\$104,071,709	\$119,903,701	\$104,071,710			
% Change from Previous Revenue Requirement	+6.6%	-7.1%	n/a	-4.1%	+15.2% (from Actual Applied), +18.7% (from 2020 AUR)	0.0%	+32.2% (from Actual Applied), +14.8% (from 2021 AUR)	-18.3%	+15.3%
Average HC (in cents)	5.32	4.95	n/a	n/a	5.23	4.95	6.08	4.95	5.69
% Change from Previous Average HC	+8.6%	-7.0%	n/a	n/a	5.7%	0.0%	+22.8% (from Actual Applied), +16.3% (from 2021 AUR)	-18.6%	+14.8%

*The Covid Subsidy Agreement is not a handling commission and cannot be converted into an average handling commission. Areas in grey identify additional information to understand handling commissions with or without the Covid Subsidy Agreement.

