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Fees Report
Fiscal year 2025-26



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CEO's message

I am pleased to present Canada Energy Regulator report on fees for 2025-26.

The *Service Fees Act*[ii] provides a modern legislative framework that enables cost-effective delivery of services and, through better reporting to Parliament, improves transparency and oversight.

The *Service Fees Act*[ii] does not apply to fees, levies or charges established under the authority of the *Canadian Energy Regulator Act*[iii]. Nevertheless, these fees, along with fees established under the *Canadian Oil and Gas Operations Act*[iv], are included in this report.

This year's report continues to provide detail on each fee, such as the type and rate of adjustment, the service standard, and the performance result. This information provides context on each fee, in the spirit of open and transparent fee management.

I welcome the opportunity to provide transparent and up-to-date information to Canadians on the Canada Energy Regulator's fee structure.

Tracy Sletto
Chief Executive Officer
Canada Energy Regulator

About this report

This report, which is tabled under section 20 of the *Service Fees Act*[ii], the *Low-Materiality Fees Regulations*[v], and subsection 4.2.9 of the Treasury Board *Directive on Charging and Special Financial Authorities*[vi], contains information about the fees the Canada Energy Regulator had the authority to charge in fiscal year 2025-26.

The report covers fees that are both subject to the *Service Fees Act*[ii] and exempted from the *Service Fees Act*[ii].

For reporting purposes, fees are categorized by fee-setting mechanism. There are three mechanisms:

1. Act, regulation or fees notice:
   The authority to set these fees is delegated to a department, minister or Governor in Council pursuant to an act of Parliament.

2. Contract:
   Ministers have the inherent authority to enter into contracts, which are usually negotiated between the minister and an individual or organization, and which cover fees and other terms and conditions. In some cases, that authority may also be provided by an act of Parliament.

3. Market rate or auction:
   The authority to set these fees comes from an act of Parliament or a regulation, and the minister, department or Governor in Council has no control in determining the fee amount.

For fees set by an Act, regulation or fees notice, the report provides totals for fee groupings, as well as detailed information for each fee. The Canada Energy Regulator did not have fees set by contract, market rate or auction.

Fees charged by the Canada Energy Regulator under the *Access to Information Act*[vii] are not subject to the *Service Fees Act*[ii] and are not included in this report. Information on the Canada Energy Regulator's access to information fees can be found in our annual report to Parliament on the administration of the *Access to Information Act: CER's Publications and Reports Page*[viii].

Remissions

In 2025-26, the Canada Energy Regulator was not subject to the requirements in section 7 of the *Service Fees Act*[ii] and had no authority to remit, so this report does not include remission amounts.

Overall totals, by fee-setting mechanism

The following table presents the total revenue, cost and remissions for all fees the Canada Energy Regulator had the authority to charge in 2025-26, by fee-setting mechanism.

Overall totals for 2025-26, by fee-setting mechanism

Fee-setting mechanism	Revenue ($)	Cost ($)	Remissions ($)
Fees set by act, regulation or fees notice	128,484,716	131,964,966	0

Totals, by fee grouping, for fees set by act, regulation or fees notice

A fee grouping is a set of fees relating to a single business line, directorate or program that a department had the authority to charge for those activities.

This section presents, for each fee grouping, the total revenue, cost and remissions for all fees the Canada Energy Regulator had the authority to charge in 2025-26 that are set by the following:

- act
- regulation

Fee Grouping	Revenue ($)	Cost ($)	Remissions ($)
License fees	325	367,324	0
Regulatory fees	128,484,391	131,597,642	0
Total	128,484,716	131,964,966	0

Details on each fee set by act, regulation or fees notice

This section provides detailed information on each fee the Canada Energy Regulator had the authority to charge in 2025-26 and that was set by the following:

- act
- regulation

License fees

License fees are charges paid by regulated companies for the issuance of operating licenses under the Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act[iv] (COGO Act). These fees support the administration of the licensing process and authorize companies to undertake regulated oil and gas activities.

Fee Grouping: License fees	2025-26 total fee revenue ($)	2025-26 fee amount ($)	2026-27 fee amount ($)	2027-28 fee amount ($)	Fee adjustment in 2027-28
Fee charged for the issuance of operating licenses under the Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act[iv] (COGO Act).	325	25/license	25/license	25/license	Not applicable

Fee Grouping: License fees	Fee-setting authority	Service Standard	Degree of compliance
Fee charged for the issuance of operating licenses under the Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act[iv] (COGO Act).	Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act[iv], section 4.2 Canada Oil and Gas Operations Regulations[ix], section 3(2)(d)	Issue annual Operating License to companies applying for them within 30 days of the receipt of their complete application and fee payment.	The service standard was met at 100%. 7/7 Operating Licenses were issued to companies upon the receipt of complete applications and received full payments in 2025-26. 6/6 Operating License was issued in 2024-25 but recognized as revenue in 2025-26.

Regulatory fees

Regulatory fees are charges levied on regulated companies to recover the costs incurred by the Canada Energy Regulator in carrying out its oversight, compliance, and regulatory

responsibilities. These fees include cost recovery charges for large regulated companies, and fixed administration levies for small and intermediate regulated entities.

Fee Grouping: Regulatory fees	2025-26 total fee revenue ($)	2025-26 fee amount ($)	2026-27 fee amount ($)	2027-28 fee amount ($)	Fee adjustment date in 2027-28
Each large oil pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board a cost recovery charge calculated in the manner set out in subsection 14(1) and 16.	65,887,712	Fees are based on formulas that can be found at the following website: National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], 14(1) and 16.			December 31, 2027
Each large gas pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board a cost recovery charge calculated in the manner set out in subsection 14(2) and 16.	56,967,208	Fees are based on formulas that can be found at the following website: National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], 14(2) and 16.			December 31, 2027
Each large power line company shall, every year, pay to the Board a cost recovery charge calculated in the manner set out in subsection 14(3) and 16.	5,391,856	Fees are based on formulas that can be found at the following website: National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], 14(3) and 16.			December 31, 2027
Any company that obtains an exemption order under section 294 of the Act in respect of, or a certificate authorizing, the construction of a pipeline shall pay to the Board a levy equal to 0.2% of the estimated cost of construction of the pipeline, as estimated by the Board in its decision issuing the certificate or making the order.	0	Fees are based on formulas that can be found at the following website: National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.2(1).			Not applicable
A company that obtains a permit or certificate under Part 4 of the Act that authorizes the construction of an international or interprovincial power line shall pay to the Board a levy equal to 0.2% of the estimated cost of construction of the power line, as estimated by the Board in its decision to issue the permit or certificate.	0	Fees are based on formulas that can be found at the following website: National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], 5.3(1).			Not applicable

Fee Grouping: Regulatory fees	2025-26 total fee revenue ($)	2025-26 fee amount ($)	2026-27 fee amount ($)	2027-28 fee amount ($)	Fee adjustment date in 2027-28
Each small oil pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $500.	5,621	511	511	511	Not applicable
Each small gas pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $500.	18,907	511	511	511	Not applicable
Each small commodity pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $500.	4,088	511	511	511	Not applicable
Each small power line company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $500.	4,599	511	511	511	Not applicable
Each intermediate oil pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $10,000.	51,100	10,220	10,220	10,220	Not applicable
Each intermediate gas pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $10,000.	132,860	10,220	10,220	10,220	Not applicable
Each intermediate commodity pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $10,000.	20,440	10,220	10,220	10,220	Not applicable
Each large commodity pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $50,000.	0	51,100	51,100	51,100	Not applicable
An administration levy of $500 for the issuance of a certificate or the making of an exemption order authorizing the construction or operation of a border accommodation pipeline or a border accommodation commodity	0	511	511	511	Not applicable

Fee Grouping: Regulatory fees	2025-26 total fee revenue ($)	2025-26 fee amount ($)	2026-27 fee amount ($)	2027-28 fee amount ($)	Fee adjustment date in 2027-28
pipeline is payable to the Board by the authorized company.					

Fee Grouping: Regulatory fees	Fee-setting authority	Service Standard	Degree of compliance
Each large oil pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board a cost recovery charge calculated in the manner set out in subsection 14(1) and 16.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 14(1) and 16.	1. Issue preliminary estimated billing notices by September 30. 2. Issue final estimated billing notices for the upcoming year by December 31. 3. Issue quarterly invoices to large oil companies.	100% 1. 15/15 Preliminary estimated billing notices were sent by September 30, 2025 to large oil companies. 2. 15/15 Final Estimated billing notices were sent by December 31, 2025 to large oil companies. 3. 60/60 invoices were issued during the fiscal year 2025-26.
Each large gas pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board a cost recovery charge calculated in the manner set out in subsection 14(2) and 16.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 14(2) and 16.	1. Issue preliminary estimated billing notices by September 30. 2. Issue final estimated billing notices for the upcoming year by December 31. 3. Issue quarterly invoices to large gas companies.	100% 1. 9/9 Preliminary estimated billing notices were sent by September 30, 2025 to large gas companies. 2. 9/9 Final Estimated billing notices were sent by December 31, 2025 to large gas companies. 3. 36/36 invoices were issued during the fiscal year 2025-26.
Each large power line company shall, every year, pay to the Board a cost recovery charge calculated in the manner set out in subsection 14(3) and 16.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 14(3) and 16.	1. Issue preliminary estimated billing notices by September 30. 2. Issue final estimated billing notices for the upcoming year by December 31. 3. Issue quarterly invoices to large power line companies.	100% 1. 10 Preliminary estimated billing notices were sent by September 30, 2025. 2. 10 Final Estimated billing notices were sent by December 31, 2025. 3. 40/40 invoices were issued during the fiscal year 2025-26.

Fee Grouping: Regulatory fees	Fee-setting authority	Service Standard	Degree of compliance
Any company that obtains an exemption order under section 294 of the Act in respect of, or a certificate authorizing, the construction of a pipeline shall pay to the Board a levy equal to 0.2% of the estimated cost of construction of the pipeline, as estimated by the Board in its decision issuing the certificate or making the order.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.2(1)	Issue an invoice within 90 days .	There was no invoice issued, as the conditions under which this fee is levied did not arise in 2025-26.
A company that obtains a permit or certificate under Part 4 of the Act that authorizes the construction of an international or interprovincial power line shall pay to the Board a levy equal to 0.2% of the estimated cost of construction of the power line, as estimated by the Board in its decision to issue the permit or certificate.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.3(1)	Issue an invoice within 90 days .	There was no invoice issued, as the conditions under which this fee is levied did not arise in 2025-26.
Each small oil pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $500.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.1(2)	Issue an invoice on June 30 every year.	100% (11/11 invoices were issued on June 30, 2025.)
Each small gas pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $500.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.1(2)	Issue an invoice on June 30 every year.	100% (37/37 invoices were issued on June 30, 2025.)

Fee Grouping: Regulatory fees	Fee-setting authority	Service Standard	Degree of compliance
Each small commodity pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $500.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.1(2)	Issue an invoice on June 30 every year.	100% (8/8 invoices were issued on June 30, 2025.)
Each small power line company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $500.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.1(2)	Issue an invoice on June 30 every year.	100% (9/9 invoices were issued on June 30, 2025.)
Each intermediate oil pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $10,000.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.1(1)	Issue an invoice on June 30 every year.	100% (5/5 invoices were issued on June 30, 2025.)
Each intermediate gas pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $10,000.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.1(1)	Issue an invoice on June 30 every year.	100% (13/13 invoices were issued on June 30, 2025.)
Each intermediate commodity pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $10,000.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.1(1)	Issue an invoice on June 30 every year.	100% (2/2 invoices were issued on June 30, 2025.)
Each large commodity pipeline company shall, every year, pay to the Board an administration levy of $50,000.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 4(4)	Issue an invoice on June 30 every year.	There was no invoice issued, as the conditions under which this fee is levied did not arise in 2025-26.

Fee Grouping: Regulatory fees	Fee-setting authority	Service Standard	Degree of compliance
An administration levy of $500 for the issuance of a certificate or the making of an exemption order authorizing the construction or operation of a border accommodation pipeline or a border accommodation commodity pipeline is payable to the Board by the authorized company.	Canadian Energy Regulator Act[iii], section 87(1) National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations[x], section 5.1(4)	Issue an invoice on June 30 every year.	There was no invoice issued, as the conditions under which this fee is levied did not arise in 2025-26.

Endnotes

[i] *The Government of Canada website,* www.canada.ca

[ii] *Service Fees Act*, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/S-8.4/FullText.html

[iii] *Canadian Energy Regulator Act*, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-15.1/index.html

[iv] *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act*, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/o-7/

[v] *Low Materiality Fees Regulations,* https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2019-109/index.html

[vi] *Directive on Charging and Special Financial Authorities,* https://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pol/doc-eng.aspx?id=32502

[vii] *Access to Information Act*, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/a-1/page-1.html

[viii] *CER's Publications and Reports Page,* http://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/about/publications-reports/annual-reports-access-information-act-privacy-act/index.html

[ix] *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Regulations*, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-83-149/

[x] *National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations*, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-91-7/index.html