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General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada
LEADERS IN UNIONIZED MAINTENANCE

COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

The General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada Project Agreement for

Maintenance by Contract in Canada for

IRVING OIL LTD., REFINING DIVISION

(Including The Refinery Complex and East Saint John Facilities)

Saint John, New Brunswick

SAINT JOHN LNG FACILITY

Saint John, New Brunswick

Project Agreement for Maintenance by Contract in Canada

This Agreement is entered into this 1st day of July 2025 by and between the Signatory Employer Representatives listed on Page 36, (hereinafter referred to as the "Employer"), and those International Unions listed hereunder (hereinafter referred to as the "Unions"), for the purpose of maintenance, repair and renovation work for the following projects:

IRVING OIL LIMITED, REFINING DIVISION, located at Saint John, New Brunswick
(Including the Refinery Complex and East Saint John Facilities).

SAINT JOHN LNG FACILITY, located at Saint John, New Brunswick

The Unions are composed of the following International Unions:

International Association of **HEAT AND FROST INSULATORS** and **ALLIED WORKERS**

International Brotherhood of **BOILERMAKERS**, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers

International Union of **BRICKLAYERS** and Allied Craftworkers

United Brotherhood of **CARPENTERS** and Joiners of America

OPERATIVE PLASTERERS and **CEMENT MASONS** International Association

International Brotherhood of **ELECTRICAL WORKERS**

International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental and Reinforcing **IRON WORKERS**

LABOURERS International Union of North America

International Union of **OPERATING ENGINEERS**

International Union of **PAINTERS** and Allied Trades

United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and **PIPEFITTING** Industry of the United States and Canada

International Association of **SHEET METAL, AIR, RAIL AND TRANSPORTATION WORKERS**

International Brotherhood of **TEAMSTERS**

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COVENANTS

Whereas, the Employer is engaged in the business of plant maintenance, repair and renovations (as defined in Article 6.000) with miscellaneous industries, and this work is of importance to the Unions herein listed, and it being recognized there is an essential difference in the conditions required to perform this type of work, the Unions herein listed with the Employer wish to enter into an agreement for their mutual benefit covering work of this nature.

Whereas a number of the Unions have initiated Standards of Excellence or similar programs for the development of their members, the Parties to this Agreement support the goals of those programs.

Whereas the General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada has initiated a Rules of Engagement Pledge, the parties to this Agreement support the goals of this program.

Whereas, the Unions have in their membership throughout the area members competent and qualified to perform the work of the Employer.

Whereas, the Employer has employed and now employs members of the Unions on maintenance, repair and renovation work recognized by the Unions of the AFL-CIO as being within the jurisdiction of said Unions.

Whereas, in order to ensure relative equity and uniform interpretation and application, the Unions, through the duly appointed and constituted General Presidents' Committee for Maintenance in Canada, wish to negotiate and administer the said Collective Agreement in concert, each with the other, and all with the Employer.

Whereas, the Employer is engaged in the business of Plant Maintenance and as such has the authority to sell its services, within the scope of Article 6.000 "Definitions", under the terms and conditions of this Agreement without prior knowledge or approval of the Committee – Conversely – the Employer has the responsibility of satisfying the conditions of application (continuous and increasing utilization of Contract Maintenance services for specific Owner) and compliance with terms and conditions of the Agreement.

Whereas, the Employer and the Unions desire to mutually establish hours of work and working conditions for the workers on an area basis to the end that satisfactory conditions and harmonious relations will continue to exist for the benefit of both parties to this Agreement.

Whereas, the Employer and the Unions agree that, due to the particular nature of the work covered by this Agreement, there shall be no lockouts or strikes during the life of the Agreement, and provisions must be made to achieve this end.

Whereas, it is recognized that all employees covered by this Agreement, shall have the protection of all existing Federal, Provincial and Local laws applicable to employees in

general, any provisions in this Agreement which are in contravention of any Federal, Provincial, or Municipal regulation or laws affecting all or part of the limits covered by this Agreement shall be suspended in operation within the limits to which such law or regulation is in effect. Such suspension shall not affect the operation of any such provisions covered by this Agreement, to which the law or regulation is not applicable. Nor shall it affect the operations of the remainder of the provisions of the Agreement within the limits to which law or regulation is applicable.

All references in this Agreement to the masculine gender shall also apply to the feminine gender.

It is, therefore, agreed by the undersigned Employer and the undersigned Unions that in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the Project Agreement be made as follows:

ARTICLE 1.000 APPLICATION FOR PROJECT AGREEMENT

- 1.100 Any Employer desiring to enter into a Project Agreement for Maintenance by Contract, must make an application to General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada (hereinafter the "Committee") for purposes of review and orientation and present to the Committee written evidence of the Owner's intent to engage that Employer in the performance of maintenance service for a minimum period of one full year, subject to the usual termination clauses in such contracts.
- 1.200 It is further understood that the Project Agreement shall not be applicable for "shutdown" or "turnaround" work except when such work is performed within the scope of full or year around supplementary maintenance contracts. In order to implement this restriction, it is understood that on newly constructed plants or units a shutdown may occur at any time under the terms of the Project Agreement but existing plants employing this service must have been under contract for full or year around supplementary maintenance service for at least four months prior to commencement of the shutdown/turnaround or such work shall be performed under the terms of the local Construction Agreement.
- 1.300 Should the contract for full or year-round supplementary maintenance be terminated during the term of this Collective Agreement for any of the projects listed, this Collective Agreement shall be considered null and void as it applies to that project or projects.

ARTICLE 2.000 AUTHORITY & RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COMMITTEE IN ADMINISTERING THE AGREEMENT

- 2.100 With the Employer, to interpret and administer the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement.

- 2.200 To screen and police each Employer seeking use of the Agreement in order to assure proper application and interpretation.
- 2.300 To review and instruct member Unions and/or the Employer in interpretation and application of terms and conditions (subject to Step V of Grievance Procedure) when the Employer or employees of any given Union depart from Agreement Conditions.
- 2.400 With the Employer, through a Sub-committee, visit the location of each maintenance job prior to commencement or as often as necessary to initiate and maintain the cooperation of the Local Unions.
- 2.500 To prepare and distribute duly negotiated collective agreements for signing.

ARTICLE 3.000 RECOGNITION

- 3.100 The bargaining unit under this Agreement shall comprise all employees of the Employer, coming under the jurisdiction of the Unions signatory to this Agreement, now employed and employed in the future for maintenance, repair and renovation work at the Owner's plant site.
- 3.200 **The Employer and the Unions:**
- 3.201 Agree that the jurisdiction recognized herein for each Union shall be the jurisdiction recognized by the AFL-CIO, provided, however, that if they or the Unions are unable to agree upon the Union which is to have jurisdiction over any group of employees, the Employer will recognize one as having jurisdiction until such time as the Claimant Unions agree upon another and provided further that work considered within the jurisdiction of any Union which is not represented by the Unions listed herein may be assigned by the Employer to the jurisdiction of the most appropriate Union.
- 3.202 Recognize the Unions as herein duly constituted for the purpose of bargaining collectively and administering this Agreement for the members of their respective Unions. The responsibility for interpretation and administration of this Agreement rests in the Committee.
- 3.203 Agree to bargain collectively with the Unions and to be governed by the terms of this Agreement and by all lawful settlements of disputes and grievances made pursuant thereto. On maintenance work, the Project Agreement shall govern terms and conditions and take precedence over local construction agreements or area practices.

ARTICLE 4.000 UNION SECURITY

- 4.100 All employees under this Agreement, as a condition of employment, shall be members of or secure membership in a Signatory Union and maintain such membership in good standing.

4.200 The Employer will cooperate with the Signatory Unions in providing employment to their members and the Unions agree to assist the Employer by all means in their power to secure necessary skilled and competent tradespeople.

4.300 **Craft Requisitions Received Thirty (30) Days Prior to Start Date**

When craft personnel requisitions are received by the union at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective start date, any member Union which cannot supply qualified workers within seven (7) days prior to the start date requested, (Saturday, Sunday and holidays excluded), then the Employer may secure other qualified workers. Any other qualified workers secured by the Employer must be appropriately dispatched by the local union within twenty-four (24) hours of notification by the Contractor.

4.301 **Craft Requisitions Received Less Than Thirty (30) Days Prior to Start Date**

When any Member Union cannot supply qualified workers within forty-eight (48) hours of the start date, (Saturday, Sunday and holidays excluded), then the Employer may secure other qualified workers. Any other qualified workers secured by the Employer must be appropriately dispatched by the local union within twenty-four (24) hours of notification by the Contractor.

4.400 It will be the Unions' responsibility to provide a referral slip to the employee at the Jobsite or supply a satisfactory replacement, who is a member. Tradespeople, who are employed under these circumstances (in special trades or skills or who are trained at Employer expense for special work) will not be replaced except by written request of the Union within sixty days of the date of hire and approval of the Employer.

4.500 When the Union cannot supply qualified tradespeople within 48 hours of the date requested, then the Employer may secure other qualified tradespeople who must apply for membership in the respective Unions.

4.600 In emergency situations, where the Employer has two or more Maintenance Projects within the jurisdiction of the same Local Union, the Employer shall have the right to transfer employees between projects after the Local Union has been given the opportunity to supply and has failed to do so within four hours.

ARTICLE 5.000 SCOPE OF WORK

5.100 The scope of this Agreement covers all work of a maintenance, repair and renovation nature, assigned by the Owner to the Employer and performed by the employees of the Employer covered by this Agreement, within the limits of the Owner's plant site.

5.200 The scope of this Agreement does not cover work performed by the Employer of a new construction nature which is work required to erect new facilities in which event the work shall be done in accordance with existing building construction agreements.

- 5.300 The Unions and the Employer understand that the Owner may, at their discretion, choose to perform or directly subcontract work for any part or parts of the work necessary in their plant.

ARTICLE 6.000 DEFINITIONS

- 6.100 Maintenance shall be work performed for the repair, renovation, revamp and upkeep of property, machinery and equipment within the limits of the plant property.
- 6.101 "Long-Term Maintenance" shall be the continuing work performed of a maintenance, repair renovation character within the limits of the plant property exclusive of "Short-Term Maintenance" defined below.
- The Employer will designate the anticipated number of Long-Term Maintenance force job openings at the pre-job meeting and from time to time as job conditions warrant.
- 6.102 "Short-Term Maintenance" work means work that is terminated within 30 available days of work.
- 6.200 All work performed by the Employer on existing equipment and machinery, including all associated work in a given plant, shall be maintenance. This shall include replacement of existing individual items of machinery and equipment with new units, including all associated work. It is understood that this concept would not include replacement of an entire process system installation in a plant in order to increase production.
- 6.300 Addition of spare machinery or equipment may be done under the Maintenance Agreement provided it is for debottlenecking purposes. Example: There are two existing pumps. Both pumps are required to run at all times to maintain full production. A spare may be added for the purpose of having one pump down for maintenance.
- 6.400 Changes to existing units for reasons of feed stock changes or fuel changes shall be maintenance.
- 6.500 The word, "repair" used within the terms of this Agreement and in connection with maintenance, is work requested to restore by replacement or by revamp of parts of existing facilities to efficient operating conditions.
- 6.600 The word "renovation", used within the terms of this Agreement and in connection with maintenance, is work required to change by replacement or by "revamp" of parts of existing facilities to efficient operating conditions.
- 6.700 Fire restoration work will be administered as follows:
- 6.701 The restoration of a plant completely destroyed by fire is considered construction work.

- 6.702 The restoration of a major part of a plant including several sections which have been destroyed or damaged by fire, shall be governed by the following criteria:
- The removal of damaged equipment and the preparation of the damaged area to make it suitable for new equipment will be Maintenance.
- The installation and erection of new equipment will be Construction.
- 6.703 When the fire damage is localized to a given operating unit, such as a heater, distillation tower, compressor, pumphouse equipment and the like, then the restoration of same is to be considered Maintenance.
- 6.800 The administration and interpretation of this article is the responsibility and prerogative of the General Presidents' Committee for Contract Maintenance in Canada.

ARTICLE 7.000 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

- 7.100 It is agreed that it is the spirit and intent of this agreement to address grievances promptly. All grievances, but not those pertaining to jurisdictional disputes, covering the interpretation, application, operation, terminations, or alleged violation of this collective agreement that may arise on any work covered by this agreement must be initiated in writing within ten (10) calendar days of the incident and shall be handled in the following manner:
- 7.101 **Step I** Between the aggrieved Employee/Craft Steward and the Employer Foreperson/Supervisor.
- A standard GPMC/NMC grievance form must be filled out by the Craft Steward/ Employer at this step. Grievance forms will be provided by the Employer at the jobsite, or they may be downloaded from the General Presidents' Maintenance Committee website at www.gpmccanada.com
- If the grievance is not settled within seven (7) calendar days, then the grievance may be advanced to Step II. Written notice must be provided when advancing to the next step.
- 7.102 **Step II** Between the aggrieved employee, the Craft Steward and/or Local Union Business Representative and the Foreperson, the Supervisor, and the Project Manager.
- If settlement is not achieved within seven (7) calendar days at Step II, the grievance may be advanced to Step III. Written notice must be provided to the International Union Representative and the Employer Representative when advancing to the next step.
- Timelines may be extended upon written agreement by both parties.

7.103 **Step III** Between the International Union Representative and the Labour Relations Manager or the highest official of the Employer.

The carriage and control of any grievance at Step III and beyond, rests solely with the International Union Representative.

If settlement cannot be reached within seven (7) calendar days at Step III, either Party may request a Step IV Grievance Hearing upon written notification to the Labour Relations Representative (GPMC/NMC).

Timelines may be extended upon written agreement by both parties.

7.104 **Step IV** The Labour Relations Representative (GPMC/NMC) shall establish a Grievance Panel consisting of three (3) Committee Representatives within fourteen (14) calendar days of notification, either at a mutually agreed to location or via electronic platform to hear the grievance.

Submissions from both the Union and the Employer to the grievance panel must include a copy of the grievance form, as indicated in 7.101, names of all grievors affected by the grievance and any other relevant information or documents pertaining to the grievance. Please note that the remedy requested by either party must be clearly identified in writing on the grievance form.

All submissions shall be received by the Labour Relations Representative no later than three (3) calendar days prior to the scheduled hearing date.

The Grievance Panel shall render their decision in a timely manner.

If either party to the grievance does not accept the Grievance Panel's decision, they may advance the grievance to Step V upon written notification to the affected Party.

7.105 **Step V** If any dispute or grievance concerning the interpretation, application or violation of this agreement cannot be settled through the procedure described above, the matter may be submitted by the Union or the Employer to arbitration for adjudication within ten (10) calendar days.

ARTICLE 8.000 JURISDICTION

8.100 Project maintenance conditions do not always justify adherence to craft lines which, in itself, does not establish precedent or change the appropriate jurisdiction of the crafts involved. Composite crews may be formed where conditions warrant, but this is not to be construed under regular operating conditions as the Employer's prerogative to assign employees out of their usual skill classification.

8.200 The Employer may, if it desires, maintain a variety of skills within its group of employees to be prepared to have skills and/or supervision for any type of work that may arise.

- 8.300 It is understood that all employees will work together harmoniously as a group and as directed by the Employer.
- 8.400 In the event that any jurisdictional disputes shall rise between two or more Unions represented by this Agreement, an immediate assignment of the work in question shall be made by the Employer representative, based upon decisions and agreement of record or other information available. The work is then to continue and, if any of the Unions involved are not satisfied with the assignment, the matter shall be referred to the International Office of the Unions involved for a project decision.
- 8.500 The Employer and the Unions agree that such assignment of work involved in a jurisdictional dispute is imperative to the satisfactory operation of this Agreement and the continued operation of the Owner's plant.

ARTICLE 9.000 UNION REPRESENTATIVES

- 9.100 Representatives of the Unions shall have access to the job during working hours on Union business. They shall, as regulations of the plant permit, obtain specific authorization from the Employer for each visit.

ARTICLE 10.000 STEWARDS

- 10.100 Each Union signatory to this Agreement may appoint or select one (1) working Steward from among the Employer employees to act as a representative of the Union in connection with Union business. Each Union may also appoint an acting Steward for afternoon or midnight shifts. These Stewards shall be allowed reasonable time to conduct Union business related to this project. The Business Manager of the applicable Local Union shall be consulted in advance of the termination of the Steward.
- 10.200 Steward designations must be confirmed in writing to each Site Manager in order to allow recognition of Steward's privileges.
- 10.300 The Steward shall not be discriminated against and shall receive their fair share of overtime work for which he or she is qualified.
- 10.400 At lay-off, the appointed Steward will be one of the last five (5) employees on the job.
- 10.500 Notwithstanding the remainder of this Article a Job Steward who is a short-term employee may be laid-off when the assignment for which he or she was hired is completed.

ARTICLE 11.000 HIRING AND TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL

- 11.100 Maintenance work that the Employer performs involves maintaining operating units that in almost all cases must be kept running. This situation means that much of the work is of an

emergency nature and therefore, will require at times the acceptance of extreme fluctuations in the labour demands made by the Employer on the Unions. The Unions, by this Agreement, completely understand the necessity of these extremes and agree to make every effort to fulfill the personnel requirements of the Employer.

- 11.200 When employees are required, the Employer shall request that the required number of applicants be referred for employment under the following minimum standards. Such requests to the Union Hall will be made and/or confirmed by facsimile or email.
- 11.201 The Local Union Business Representative will be contacted by the Employer on all occasions when tradespeople are required and the Employer shall state that the tradespersons are required for maintenance work, and also state:
- (1) whether they are to be day rated, short shift, long shift or Compressed Work Week employees.
 - (2) whether they are to be initially employed on Long-Term or Short-Term Maintenance as defined herein.
- 11.202 The Employer will use its best judgment in advising the Local Business Agent of type of work (i.e., day rate, shift, etc.) and if employee is to be assigned to Long-Term or Short-Term Maintenance work.
- 11.203 The Union representative shall, to the best of their ability, supply qualified tradespeople to perform the work described under this Agreement.
- 11.204 For just and sufficient cause, the Employer shall retain the right to reject any applicant referred by the Union. The Employer will provide written reasons to the Local Union upon refusal to hire.
- 11.205 The Employer will be allowed to name hire forepersons and general forepersons. Please refer to the Foreperson Clarification Document contained in Appendix "D" should further particulars be required.
- (i) The name hire provision at minimum will follow the Industrial Agreement formula to the extent that name hire provisions available on construction would be available to maintenance contractors as well. This means, if for example, 50% name hire is available in the Industrial Agreement then it would also be available on maintenance.

For clarity; Name hires, and name hire ratios or name hire quantity limits available under the applicable Local agreement, when used under this collective agreement and are exclusive to this collective agreement and do not affect the ratio or capacity to name hire outside of this agreement. Name hires, and name hire ratios or name hire quantity limits available under the applicable Local agreement, when used under this collective agreement shall be calculated independently from work under other agreements.

11.206 Where recall arrangements are not covered by a current understanding with the Local Union, the Employer may, request recall of Local Union members who have valid customer and contractor orientation certificates within thirty (30) calendar days of lay-off. The Employer will provide a list of such individuals to the Local Union for recall. Employees may be recalled no more than two (2) times within a rolling twelve (12) month period.

Apprentices returning from trade school will have thirty (30) calendar days from completion of school, or apprenticeship training, to return. This is not considered a recall.

11.207 It is understood that the Employer has provided site specific training at the Irving site applicable to certain individuals trained at the Employer or Irving's expense. The Employer may request these individuals by name within thirty (30) calendar day of lay-off, should they be on the out of work list.

11.208 **Employer Online Orientation & Onboarding**

If an Employer requires an employee to complete online orientation and on-boarding, where applicable, the Employer shall estimate a reasonable amount of time to complete the online orientation and on-boarding where applicable. The Employer shall pay an allowance for completing the course(s) equal to that time estimate, to a maximum of eight (8) hours, multiplied by the employee's straight time hourly rate.

11.209 **Client Online Orientation & Onboarding**

Employees will be compensated for the prescribed amount of time, multiplied by their straight time total package hourly rate, for completing any Owner/Client online orientation, onboarding or basic training courses required of an employee.

The Employer will identify the prescribed amount of time required for each course and include this information on the manpower request sent to the Local Union. The prescribed amount of time for each course shall also be forwarded to the administrative office of the GPMC. These Parties will review the documentation to ensure the time allocated is uniform for all Employers.

When a job call is cancelled, and employees at the direction of the Employer have completed the required course(s), this Article shall apply and those affected shall be compensated. Alternatively, compensation will not be provided to employees who complete the required course(s) but fail to report for duty.

11.300 The designation and determination of the number of forepersons on maintenance work shall be the prerogative of the Employer. A Foreperson may be requested to work with the tools, when in the Employer's opinion, it is advisable.

11.400 Tradespeople referred to the job by the Local Union Representative, shall report to the Employment Office established for the project.

11.500 The Employer may transfer employees with special skills or qualifications to projects where forces are being increased. Transfers are not permitted to displace existing employees.

11.600 When employees are absent from work and do not inform the project supervisor of the reason for their absence such employees may be disciplined.

11.700 The parties to this agreement recognize the importance of apprenticeship to the maintenance industry. The Employer will employ a minimum of twenty percent (20%) apprentices, per Union, unless varied by mutual agreement between the Employer and Union as job conditions warrant. The parties to the agreement recognize that the above established apprentice to journey person ratio is contingent upon the availability of apprentices through the local union hall.

The Employer will follow the policies established in the Local Agreement with respect to the granting of pay increments. Should the apprentice be requested by the Employer to delay their school block, he or she will be paid their full increment upon completion of appropriate work hours. Any delayed schooling must be approved by the Local Union apprenticeship authority.

11.800 Employees who attend specific, technical training courses associated with their maintenance duties which are organized by the Employer beyond their normal hours of work or on a Saturday, Sunday or earned day off shall be paid at the straight time rates of pay.

11.900 Should it be necessary to reduce the working forces on the job, the Employer shall layoff or terminate their Employees in the following sequence:

- i) The permit-members and retirees.
- ii) At the discretion of the contractor, any member who has received a written warning within the last thirty (30) calendar days.
- iii) The travel card members from other local unions outside of the province.
- iv) Travel card members within the province.
- v) The member of the local union whose jurisdiction the work is being performed. Except that:

- i) The existing ratio of apprentices shall not be reduced until the work force reaches five (5) employees;

- ii) Consideration must also be given to retain sufficient employees on each job classification to suit the nature of the work remaining.

11.901 In the interest of maintaining a safe and productive work environment, the Union agrees that it will not knowingly refer or assign a worker to any GPMA or NMA employer at the Irving site if that worker was previously terminated by another employer at the Irving site for violating a life-saving rule, engaging in serious misconduct, or demonstrating ongoing issues related to attendance or performance.

Employees who are terminated or quit will not be eligible for dispatch or name hire for thirty (30) calendar days from the date of termination or quit.

ARTICLE 12.000 WAGES

12.100 Wages are to be paid as follows:

12.101 Employees on "Compressed Work Week Maintenance Schedules" shall be paid according to the attached "Long-Term Maintenance Wage and Benefit Schedule Page", for shift work only. Overtime worked shall be paid in accordance with the "Schedule of Rates on Long-Term Maintenance."

12.102 Employees on "Long-Term Maintenance" and "Short-Term Maintenance Work" shall be paid according to the attached Wage and Benefit Schedule Page.

- I) Short-Term Maintenance Rates will be set at one hundred (100%) percent of Local Construction base rates.
- II) Long-Term Journeyman Maintenance Rates will be set as outlined below, less than the current industrial construction rate, effective:

July 1, 2025	One dollar, fifty cents	\$1.50
July 1, 2026	One dollar, twenty-five cents	\$1.25
July 1, 2027	One dollar	\$1.00

12.200 During "Long-Term Maintenance" the Employer will require additional personnel from time-to-time who will be paid according to the "Long-Term Maintenance Wage Schedule", if such requirement continues for at least thirty (30) available days of work. If such work is available for less than 30 available days of work, such employees will be paid according to the attached "Short-Term Maintenance Wage Schedule."

12.300 Fringe Benefits will be paid according to the attached Schedule of Wages and Benefits.

12.400 Management association funds, discretionary funds and premium for high or low work, hazardous work, dirty work, acid work and other similar fringes are excluded from this Agreement.

12.500 In the event that local agreements terminate and no agreement is reached regarding wages, the Employer, in order that continuity of work shall be maintained agrees as follows:

12.501 Should a work stoppage occur in negotiating the local Agreement, the employees of the affected Unions will be paid the appropriately adjusted wage rate negotiated in the new Agreement, on a retroactive basis to the date of the work stoppage or the effective date of

the new wage rate whichever is the earlier. This is to ensure against any work stoppage on this project which would be caused by a breakdown of local negotiations.

- 12.501(i) Upon renewal of a local reference agreement the Employer will have thirty (30) days from receipt of notification to implement any initial monetary changes. Payment of any initial increase will be paid retroactively to the implementation date.
- 12.501(ii) Should a Local Union make adjustments to the various contributions contained within the wage schedules of their local reference agreements, where such adjustments do not alter the total wage package, the Employer will have thirty (30) days from receipt of notification to implement the changes.

It is understood that the above language shall not apply to scheduled increases or scheduled changes to the various contributions established within an existing local union reference agreement.

- 12.502 Should no work stoppages occur in negotiating the local Agreement, the employees of the affected Unions will be paid the appropriately adjusted minimum wage rate negotiated in the new Agreement on the effective date of the new wage rate.
- 12.600 Wages will be paid weekly by electronic deposit. At the discretion of the Employer, an exception to direct deposit will be made where an employee is able to provide a letter from a recognized Canadian Financial Institution verifying that the employee is ineligible to establish banking arrangements. The payroll period will generally close at 12:00 midnight on Saturday, however, in order to meet the job requirements, the Employer may close the payroll earlier. This will be established as a job condition and those affected so notified. Wages will be distributed not later than the following Thursday before the end of the shift except during a week when a Statutory Holiday falls on a Monday, in which case wages will be distributed no later than the following Friday before the end of the shift.

Electronic pay records will be provided. Upon request from an Employee that does not have the capability to access electronic records, access to printed pay records shall be issued as per Provincial Legislation.

- 12.601 Employees who are laid off or terminated from the services of the Employer, shall normally receive their final wages, vacation pay due and apprentice books before they leave the jobsite. Employees who quit will have their final pay mailed or deposited no later than the date of the next regular pay day for the earning involved.
- 12.602 It is recognized that there will be certain occasions when the above procedure is not possible for terminated or laid-off employees. In these cases, final wages and vacation pay due will be deposited or mailed to the employees last recorded home address within three (3) working days exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and Statutory Holidays.
- 12.603 Should the wages and vacation pay not be deposited or mailed within this time period, the Employer will pay a penalty of one hundred \$100.00 dollars per day exclusive of Saturday,

Sunday and Statutory Holidays from the date the shortage was brought to the Employer's attention until the mailing is made.

12.604 Complaints/Grievances with respect to non-receipt of wages and vacation pay due must be raised on a timely basis, in any event, not more than ten (10) working days exclusive of Saturday, Sunday and Statutory Holidays from the date of termination.

12.605 Should employees be short paid ten (10) or more hours or equivalent value on their weekly pay cheque or electronic deposit, the Employer will provide a make-up payment no later than the third business day after the shortage was brought to their attention. Should this payment not be made, the applicable provisions of Article 12.603 and Article 12.604 above will apply.

In the event that there is a payroll error (miscalculation) on the weekly pay cheque or electronic deposit where an employee is short paid less than ten (10) hours or equivalent, the Employer will have two (2) payroll periods, after notification is provided to the Employer in accordance with the Employer's normal payroll query process, to provide a make-up payment. Should this make-up payment not be made within the two (2) payroll periods, the Employer will pay a penalty of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars per day from the date the Employer was notified.

12.606 When the Employer or the Employee becomes aware of an overpayment, the Employer the Union and the Employee will meet to negotiate the repayment terms.

12.607 Employees trained to level 1 Standards and are qualified to perform work using Rope Access will receive the following rates while performing Rope Access work:

Level I:	Eight dollars	\$8.00
Level II:	Ten dollars	\$10.00
Level III:	Twelve dollars	\$12.00

12.700 The intent of this section is to allow the Employer to pay Short-Term rates during the actual period of a major shutdown.

12.701 When a major plant shutdown is in effect, all Long-Term Maintenance employees assigned to the shutdown will be paid Short-Term Maintenance rates and overtime conditions during the period of a major shutdown. Long-term Maintenance employees that are not working directly on a major shutdown will remain at long-term maintenance rates.

12.702 A major shutdown will be defined as any shutdown, in which the number of Short-Term employees hired for the shutdown will exceed the total number of Long-Term employees employed on the project prior to the start of the shutdown work by one hundred (100%) percent.

- 12.703 The length of the shutdown will be defined as the period of time from the installation of blinds/safing blanks for the major shutdown, until their removal.
- 12.704 Both 12.702 and 12.703 must apply and if for example the Long-Term personnel are exceeded by 100% and there is no shutdown, or the blinds/safing blanks are not yet in or have been taken out then this Article 12.700 will not apply.
- 12.705 The Employer has the option of applying the terms of 12.700 in cases where:
- i) The 100% figure is almost but not absolutely achieved, although the blinds/safing blanks have been installed or the shutdown has begun.
 - (ii) The start and completion of a major shutdown cannot be accurately gauged by the installation or removal of blinds/safing blanks. The Employer will make the initial determination of the start and finish of the major shutdown. In cases of disagreement, the term of the major shutdown will be referred to the Committee.
- 12.706 It is understood no Long-Term employee will receive the Short-Term rate where the Employer has Short-Term employees doing preparatory work prior to the shutdown or cleanup work after the shutdown.

ARTICLE 13.000 DAY WORK CONDITIONS

(Long-Term or Short-Term Maintenance)

- 13.100 Eight (8) hours per day shall constitute a standard work day between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Forty (40) hours per week shall constitute a week's work, Monday to Friday inclusive.

As an option, a ten (10) hour per day, four (4) day work week, Monday to Thursday and/or Tuesday to Friday may be established. Start times may be staggered up to two (2) hours between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. as above. The ten (10) hour system must operate for a minimum period of four (4) consecutive days before it is established as the regular hours of work. Once established it becomes the regular hours for those so assigned.

The noon lunch period will be one half (1/2) hour and may be staggered one (1) hour either way to accommodate production schedules and emergencies.

An employee, who is requested to work through his scheduled noon lunch period on a regular eight (8) or ten (10) hour day and the lunch period provided falls beyond the staggered one (1) hour allowance, will be paid an additional one half (1/2) hour at the straight time rate.

- 13.100(i) When ten (10) hour shifts are worked, in lieu of the work breaks and lunch breaks provided herein, the Employer shall have the option of scheduling two breaks of one half (½) hour each, paid at the applicable rate, approximately equally spaced in the ten (10) hour shift.

In the event an Employee is not able to observe their break they shall be compensated in the following manner:

- a) On a straight time, day, the Employee will be compensated an additional thirty (30) minutes paid at the time and one-half rate.
- b) On an overtime day, the Employee will be compensated an additional thirty (30) minutes at the double-time rate.

The noon lunch period (paid break) will be one half (1/2) hour and may be staggered one (1) hour either way to accommodate production schedules and emergencies. The above penalty clauses outlined in 13.100(i) a) and b) will apply in instances when the staggered lunch hour (paid break) is moved greater than one (1) hour either way to accommodate production schedules and emergencies as identified in Article 13.100.

13.100(ii) It is understood that in order to be compensated for either paid break an Employee must remain at the worksite at least two (2) hours past the end of the paid break unless the Employee has provided notification to the Employer at the beginning of the shift that they will leaving early.

13.200 All time worked before or after the established work day of eight (8) or ten (10) hours, Monday through Friday, and all time worked on Saturdays, Sundays and Recognized Holidays, as listed in Article 17.000 of the Agreement shall be paid for at overtime rates as follows:

13.201 **Long-Term Maintenance Overtime Conditions:**

a) **Five Eight Hour Days (5x8)**

Day of Week	Straight Time	Time and One Half (1.5x)	Double Time (2x)
Monday	8 hours	Up to 2 hours	After 10 hours
Tuesday	8 hours	Up to 2 hours	After 10 hours
Wednesday	8 hours	Up to 2 hours	After 10 hours
Thursday	8 hours	Up to 2 hours	After 10 hours
Friday	8 hours	Up to 2 hours	After 10 hours
Saturday			All hours
Sunday			All hours
Stat Holiday			All hours

b) Four Ten Hour Day Option (4x10) Monday to Thursday:

Day of Week	Straight Time	Time and One Half (1.5x)	Double Time (2x)
Monday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Tuesday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Wednesday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Thursday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Friday		Up to 10 hours	After 10 hours
Saturday			All hours
Sunday			All hours
Stat Holiday			All hours

Tuesday to Friday:

Day of Week	Straight Time	Time and One Half (1.5x)	Double Time (2x)
Monday		Up to 10 hours	After 10 hours
Tuesday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Wednesday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Thursday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Friday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Saturday			All hours
Sunday			All hours
Stat Holiday			All hours

13.202 Short-Term Maintenance Overtime Conditions:

a) Five Eight Hour Days (5x8)

Day of Week	Straight Time	Time and One Half (1.5x)	Double Time (2x)
Monday	8 hours		After 8 hours
Tuesday	8 hours		After 8 hours
Wednesday	8 hours		After 8 hours
Thursday	8 hours		After 8 hours
Friday	8 hours		After 8 hours
Saturday			All hours
Sunday			All hours
Stat Holiday			All hours

b) Four Ten Hour Day Option (4x10) Monday to Thursday:

Day of Week	Straight Time	Time and One Half (1.5x)	Double Time (2x)
Monday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Tuesday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Wednesday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Thursday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Friday			All hours
Saturday			All hours
Sunday			All hours
Stat Holiday			All hours

Tuesday to Friday:

Day of Week	Straight Time	Time and One Half (1.5x)	Double Time (2x)
Monday			All hours
Tuesday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Wednesday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Thursday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Friday	10 hours		After 10 hours
Saturday			All hours
Sunday			All hours
Stat Holiday			All hours

13.203 Short-term rates will only be paid on Projects or Minor Outages that are thirty (30) days or less. Once thirty (30) days have been reached, long-term maintenance rates will be paid.

Short-term rates for Turnarounds will only be paid when the blinds/safing blanks are installed up until these blinds are removed. Once the blinds/safing blanks are removed, all Employees return to long-term maintenance rates.

Day to day maintenance Employees that are not working directly on turnaround work will remain at the long-term maintenance rates.

13.500 **Overtime meals on day work conditions are as follows:**

13.501 When an employee is requested to work overtime and the employee works more than ten (10) hours, the Employer agrees to provide a meal for his second meal break. Subsequent meals will also be provided by the Employer as near regular four (4) hour intervals as possible.

13.502 When forepersons are required to:

- 1) Start up to one (1) hour earlier, or
- 2) Finish up to one (1) hour later, or

3) Start up to one-half (1/2) hour earlier and finish up to one-half (1/2) hour later than the forepersons crews, for the purposes of organizing work, obtaining permits or facilitating a transition to another shift, the foreperson shall not be entitled to a meal or meal break as per Clause 13.501 unless those provisions are applicable to the rest of the crew.

13.503 The second meal break will normally be 6:30 p.m. and subsequent meal breaks each four (4) hours after the conclusion of each thirty (30) minute meal break. However, it will be the prerogative of the Employer, in conjunction with the job stewards, to arrange meal breaks for efficiency and convenience of the job.

13.504 The employee will be allowed a thirty (30) minute meal break at straight time pay in which to eat the meal, except that no payment will be made for the noon break on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

13.505 It is understood that while the best possible situation is to provide an overtime meal and take a thirty (30) minute break at straight time rates. The provision of an overtime meal will be at the discretion of the employer.

When an overtime meal is not provided, the Employer shall provide the Employees:

- (i) a payment of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) as a meal allowance.
- (ii) a payment of thirty (30) minutes at straight time rates in lieu of the meal break:
and
- (iii) a fifteen (15) minute rest break at the applicable rate of pay

ARTICLE 14.000 SHORT SHIFT CONDITIONS

(Long-Term & Short-Term Maintenance)

14.100 A 'Short' shift system may be established when it is intended to operate the shift for less than sixty (60) calendar days. 'Short' shifts may be established on an eight (8) or ten (10) hour per day work week arrangement pursuant to Article 13.100.

14.101 Shift employees may be scheduled on a one-shift basis: afternoons, midnights; two-shift basis: days-afternoons, afternoons-midnights, midnights-days, or on a three-shift basis.

14.102 The establishment of a one, two or three shift system under this Article does not affect the Employer's ability to continue to operate regular "Day Work Conditions" as specified in Article 13.000 or "Long Shift Conditions" as specified in Article 15.000 for other employees so assigned.

- 14.103 Each shift employee must be scheduled for three (3) consecutive work days and may be scheduled for five (5) or seven (7) days per week. When Saturdays, Sundays or Statutory Holidays are worked they shall be paid at applicable overtime rates.
- 14.104 Should the shift be cancelled prior to completion of the three (3) consecutive work days, affected employees will be paid at applicable overtime rates for all hours worked outside the regular work day, as specified in Article 13.200.
- 14.105 It is intended that once an employee is assigned to a particular shift, he or she will complete at least three (3) consecutive days on that shift.
- 14.106 Shift starting times may be varied in accordance with Clause 16.100.
- 14.200 Shift premiums on short shift conditions are as follows:
- 14.201 Employees working a day shift defined as a shift starting at 8:00am shall work eight (8) hours for eight (8) hours pay or ten (10) hours for ten (10) hours pay when working the four (4) ten (10) hour shift option.
- 14.202 Employees working night shift, defined as shift starting after 5:00 p.m. shall receive a shift premium for all hours worked as outlined below:

July 1, 2025	Four dollars	\$4.00
July 1, 2026	Four dollars, twenty-five cents	\$4.25
July 1, 2027	Four dollars, fifty cents	\$4.50

- 14.203 A one-half (1/2) hour unpaid lunch period will be allowed during each eight (8) or ten (10) hour shift.
- 14.204 For purposes of this Agreement, Saturday begins at 8:00 a.m. Saturday, and Sunday ends at 8:00 a.m. Monday.
- 14.300 All time worked before or after the established work day of eight (8) or ten (10) hours, Monday through Friday, and all time worked on Saturdays, Sundays and Recognized Holidays, as listed in Article 17.000 of the Agreement shall be paid for at overtime rates as follows:
- 14.301 Long-Term Maintenance:
Refer to charts in Article 13.201.
- 14.302 Short-Term Maintenance:
Refer to charts in Article 13.202.

14.303 Short-term rates will only be paid on Projects or Minor Outages that are thirty (30) days or less. Once thirty (30) days have been reached, long-term maintenance rates will be paid.

Short-term rates for Turnarounds will only be paid when the blinds/safing blanks are installed up until these blinds are removed. Once the blinds/safing blanks are removed, all Employees return to long-term maintenance rates.

Day to day maintenance Employees that are not working directly on turnaround work will remain at the long-term maintenance rates.

14.400 Overtime meals on short shift conditions are as outlined as in 13.500 to 13.505.

14.500 When shift schedules are to be changed, except as noted in Clause 14.600 below, such employees will be given twenty-four (24) hours advance notice and if less than twenty-four (24) hours advance notice is given, the first shift worked on the new schedule will be paid at time and one-half (1-1/2) the straight time hourly rate.

14.600 When shift schedules are being revised to return the employee to their normal work schedule, the twenty-four (24) hours advance notice requirement of Clause 14.500 will not apply. In place, the employee must be notified at the start of their shift, that he or she is to return to their normal work schedule and he or she must have an eight (8) hour break, or rest period between the completion of their shift and the start of their normal work schedule. In the situation where the eight (8) hour break or rest period does not allow them to return to work at the normal starting time, the provisions of Clause 19.307 on minimum pay and reporting time apply.

ARTICLE 15.000 STARTING TIME AND QUITTING TIME CONDITIONS

15.100 After notifying the Unions, the starting and quitting times of any shift, including day work, may be changed for all or any portion of a particular job. For the purpose of this Article, the standard work day of eight (8) hours for the job or portion thereof to which any such change of starting time applies, shall begin with such new starting time.

15.200 Employees shall be at their posts prepared to start work at the regular starting time.

Reporting late for work at the beginning of shift and leaving early at the end of shift shall result in the deduction of wages. The gate scans shall be recognized as the official Employer time for Employees entering and exiting the facility. Reporting late for work shall also include early scanning out before a scheduled break and late scanning back onto site after a scheduled break.

The Employer shall deduct, from the Employee in fifteen (15) minute increments, for any late and/or early scans throughout the scheduled work hours.

This process does not exclude the progressive discipline policy and Employees who continue to contravene the work hours / break schedule will be subject to the policy comprising a formal warning, suspension and termination process.

15.300 Designated Days Off (Applicable to Saint John LNG Only)

Where "Designated Days Off" (DDO) are established for a project, the Owner/Client has the sole right to designate the days of no work.

These DDO's will be posted on a semi-annual basis, normally in January and July of each year. Should any work be performed on these DDO's, they will be compensated at the applicable overtime rate.

ARTICLE 16.000 COMPRESSED WORK WEEK CONDITIONS

(Long-Term Maintenance Only)

16.100 A "Compressed Work Week" system may be established when it is intended to operate the system in excess of fourteen (14) calendar days. The system may be arranged to cover continuous plant operation for seven (7) days per week.

The fourteen (14) calendar day requirement does not apply to those compressed work week schedules that average forty (40) hours per week, Monday to Friday. In this case the schedule must be established for a minimum of one week time-frame, Monday to Friday.

16.101 Employees engaged under the Compressed Work Week shift conditions must complete fourteen (14) days or four (4) days as noted above except that when an employee is replaced within the shift for any reason (temporarily or permanently) both the replaced employee and the replacing employee shall be considered as the same for determining pay conditions under this Article.

16.102 In the event that the fourteen (14) day conditions are not met, pay conditions will be adjusted to pay eight (8) hours per day Monday through Friday at the straight time hourly rate, plus applicable shift premium per Clause 14.202, and all hours worked after the eight (8) hours per day, Monday through Friday and all hours worked on Saturday and Sunday at the applicable overtime rates.

16.102.1 When an employee is transferred from one Compressed Work Week schedule to another Compressed Work Week schedule and either schedule does not last fourteen (14) days, pay conditions will be adjusted in accordance with Clause 16.102 for that cycle.

16.103 It is understood that Compressed Work Week Schedules A and B have been established and such schedules may be reactivated without approval of the Unions (see attached Appendix 'C').

- 16.104 When a Compressed Work Week schedule has not been established as noted in Clause 16.103, such schedules must be mutually agreed to between the Unions and the Employer.
- The Employer may request that any new shift, once established, be added to the schedules referred to in Clause 16.103.
- 16.200 The standard work day shall be up to twelve (12) hours of continuous employment including lunch breaks except those breaks provided for in Clause 16.506.
- 16.300 a) All overtime worked in excess of a regularly scheduled twelve (12), ten (10) or eight (8) hour shift shall be paid at applicable overtime rates in accordance with Clause 13.201.
- Time and one-half (1 ½) will be paid for the first ten (10) hours on the first scheduled day off.
- All other overtime hours will be paid at double-time (2x).
- b) All time worked on Statutory Holidays shall be paid at double-time (2x) in accordance with compressed work week rates.
- 16.400 Payment for statutory holidays, as listed in Article 17.000 of this Agreement, shall be subject to the following:
- 16.402 All time worked on statutory holidays, as listed in Article 17.000 of this Agreement, shall be paid at the applicable overtime rate, but in no case shall overtime rates exceed double the hourly day rate shown on the attached schedule except as noted in Clause 16.300 (b).
- 16.403 A Compressed Work Week shift schedule will not be cancelled and reinstated within a cycle if the intention is to avoid payment for statutory holidays. If this occurs all time worked on the first cycle after reinstatement up to a maximum of fourteen (14) days will be in accordance with Article 13.000 – Day Work Conditions.
- 16.404 Recognizing that Compressed Work Week employees receive statutory holiday pay based upon eight (8) hour days and on occasion Compressed Work Week employees may be required to take a statutory holiday off which involves more than the contemplated eight (8) hour shift. In such cases, the employee will receive compensation for those hours above the eight (8) hours contemplated under a statutory holiday when the employee does not work.
- 16.500 **Rates for Compressed Work Week Schedules will be determined on the following basis:**
- 16.501 The compressed work week rate is the rate calculated by adding the compressed work week overtime rate and the compressed work week shift premium where applicable.
- 16.502 Determination of premiums for compressed work week rates will be calculated as follows:

16.503 **Compressed Work Week Shift Premiums**

(i)

July 1, 2025	Four dollars	\$4.00
July 1, 2026	Four dollars, twenty-five cents	\$4.25
July 1, 2027	Four dollars, fifty cents	\$4.50

16.504 **Compressed Work Week Overtime Rate**

- (i) Number of hours per cycle x number of cycles per year = NUMBER OF ACTUAL HOURS PER YEAR.
- (ii) Number of actual hours per year minus number of hours in a standard year = NUMBER OF OVERTIME HOURS PER YEAR.
- (iii) Number of overtime hours per year x overtime premium x long term rate = TOTAL OVERTIME DOLLARS.
- (iv) Standard hours per year x long term rate plus total overtime dollars (divided by the actual hours of work per year) = COMPRESSED WORK WEEK OVERTIME RATE.

16.505

- i) A year is defined as 364 days (52 x 7).
- ii) A standard year is 2,080 hours (52 x 40).
- iii) Total hours per cycle is defined as the sum of the hours worked on all days in cycle.
- iv) Number of cycles = NUMBER OF DAYS IN A CYCLE DIVIDED INTO 364.
- v) Number of hours on shift per cycle = SUM OF THE HOURS WORKED ON ALL AFTERNOON OR NIGHT SHIFTS DURING A CYCLE.
- vi) A cycle is defined as the number of days, including scheduled days off, before the schedule repeats itself.

16.506 The midday lunch period of ½ hour on workdays of ten hours or less between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. will be unpaid.

16.507 On twelve (12) hour shifts when working in conjunction with the client’s personnel the breaks provided will be the same as those scheduled for the client working the same compressed work week schedule in the area. In all other instances there shall be two (2) one-half hour meal breaks per twelve (12) hour shift.

16.508 The establishment of a shift system under this Agreement shall not affect the Employer's ability to continue to operate regular "Day Work Conditions" as specified in Article 13.000, "Short Shift Conditions" as specified in Article 14.000, or "Long Shift Conditions" as specified in Article 15.000, for those employees so assigned.

16.509 It is the Employer's prerogative to transfer employees to other conditions of the Agreement subject to proper payment under the new conditions.

16.510 **Shift changes from "Day Work Conditions" to "Compressed Work Week".**

16.510.1 i) If an employee has started work during a normal work week Monday through Sunday, is then changed to a "Compressed Work Week" schedule and not given the required earned days off, he or she shall be paid straight time for the first 40 hours worked in the week at the applicable rate and overtime thereafter until the completion of the normal work week.

ii) If an employee has started work during a normal work week Monday through Sunday, is then changed to a "Compressed Work Week" schedule and given the required earned days off, he or she shall be paid straight time for all scheduled hours worked on the new "Compressed Work Week" shift.

16.510.2 An employee will be given twenty-four (24) hours advance notice prior to the start of their new shift and if not then he or she shall be paid their first shift at time and one-half.

16.510.3 If an employee is given greater than normal two (2) earned days off on their regular schedule due to having their shift changed to a "Compressed Work Week" schedule, he or she shall be paid straight time for those hours in excess of the earned days off he or she would have otherwise worked if the shift had not been changed.

16.511 **Shift changes from one "Compressed Work Week" schedule to another "Compressed Work Week" schedule:**

16.511.1 An employee will be given twenty-four (24) hours advance notice prior to the start of their new shift and if not then he or she shall be paid their first shift at time and one-half.

16.511.2 If an employee loses time on their initial "Compressed Work Week" schedule due to having their "Compressed Work Week" schedule changed to a new "Compressed Work Week" schedule, he or she shall be paid for those hours he or she would have worked on their initial schedule up to the start of their new schedule.

In no case will missed hours be paid if the employee works forty or more straight time hours in the calendar week. If less than forty hours is worked in the calendar week, missed hours on the initial schedule will be paid but only to the extent that straight time hours on the new schedule in the calendar week plus hours worked on the old schedule in the calendar week plus missed hours on the initial schedule does not exceed forty.

16.511.3 The penalty of Clause 16.511.2 will not apply if the employee completes their regular work days on his or her initial schedule up to the scheduled days off, receives their scheduled days off or paid applicable overtime, if he or she works on their scheduled days off, and is given at least ten hours' notice of shift change.

16.511.4 Earned days off on a "Compressed Work Week" are days which are scheduled as regular days off and are earned when regular scheduled consecutive work days immediately preceding have been worked.

If a fraction of the regular work days are worked the same fraction of the immediately following regular days off are earned. Any fraction of a day shall be considered one day when calculating earned days off.

When an employee is transferred to a different shift schedule all scheduled days off which have been earned must be given to the employee prior to the start of their new schedule. If earned days off are worked they shall be considered overtime and paid the applicable overtime rate as per Article 13.000 Day Work Conditions.

16.512 **Shift Changes from "Compressed Work Week" to Day Work Conditions:**

16.512.1 An employee will be given twenty-four (24) hours advance notice prior to the start of their new shift and if not then he or she shall be paid their first shift at time and one-half.

16.512.2 Clause 16.511.4 applies in its entirety when amending "Compressed Work Week" schedules to Day Work Conditions.

ARTICLE 17.000 STATUTORY HOLIDAYS

17.100 The following days will constitute the recognized holidays within the terms of this agreement.

1. New Years Day	6. Civic Holiday	11. Christmas Day
2. Family Day	7. Labour Day	12. Boxing Day
3. Good Friday	8. National Day for Truth & Reconciliation	
4. Victoria Day	9. Thanksgiving Day	
5. Canada Day	10. Remembrance Day	

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation shall be observed on the day it falls and will not be moved for observance when the Holiday falls outside of an employee's regular work week. The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is the only Holiday that this practice applies.

Should the Federal or Provincial government proclaim another Statutory Holiday, Parties to the agreement will meet to determine the new holiday's application for observance.

- 17.200 When a recognized holiday falls on a Saturday or a Sunday, the holiday will normally be celebrated on the following Monday. However, should the Owner determine another day be recognized for their operating personnel this day will be recognized by the Employer forces.
- 17.300 The four (4) days off in a ten (10) day on four (4) days off work pattern will be considered scheduled days off for purposes of statutory holiday observance. Should a recognized statutory holiday fall on one of the four (4) days off it will be moved into the work week for observance.
- 17.400 **Holiday Observance Clarification:**
- When working the five (5) x eight (8) hour work week and the recognized holiday falls in the work week the holiday is observed on the day it falls. If the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, it is moved to the preceding Friday or the following Monday.
- When working the four (4) x ten (10) hour work week and the recognized holiday falls in the work week it will be observed on the day it falls.
- When working the four (4) x ten (10) hour work week Monday to Thursday and the recognized holiday falls on the Friday it will be moved to the preceding Thursday. Thursday is the double-time day and Friday is the Time-and-one-half day. If the holiday falls on the Saturday or Sunday, it is moved to the following Monday.
- When working the four (4) x ten (10) hour work week Tuesday to Friday and the holiday falls on the Monday it is observed on the Tuesday. If it falls on Saturday or Sunday, it is observed on the preceding Friday or on the following Tuesday.
- On maintenance, the overriding factor is harmonizing statutory holidays with in-plant workers. Should the Owner determine another day be recognized for its people, this day will be recognized by Employer forces.
- Employers will post the date to be observed no later than seven (7) days prior to the holiday.

ARTICLE 18.000 VACATION ALLOWANCE

- 18.100 Vacation Pay will be in accordance with vacation pay rates established in the attached Wage & Benefit Schedule Page.

ARTICLE 19.000 MINIMUM PAY AND REPORTING TIMES

- 19.100 **Inclement Weather** – The Employer retains the right to determine working requirements, number and kind of people required, when only a portion of the work may be performed

under protection or may be of an emergency nature. The procedure for review and determination of work and tradespeople to remain on the job shall be as follows:

- 19.101 The Employer Superintendent will immediately contact the Foreperson and Job Steward(s) of the Craft Union(s) affected and survey:
- a) Circumstances affecting safety and efficiency of the work.
 - b) Determine degree of urgency of job continuation.
 - c) Determine number and skills of tradespeople required to perform the work commensurate with the urgency established.
 - d) Determine and arrange protection for safe efficient performance of the work as required by urgency and inclement condition.
- 19.102 The Foreperson and Job Steward will then advise the tradespeople of the circumstance; provisions being made for their safety and protection and arrange for the necessary tradespeople to proceed with assignments.
- 19.103 If work which can be done under reasonable and safe conditions cannot be found for all the tradespeople, then those who cannot be gainfully employed will be allowed to leave the job. The Employer at this point will endeavor to find work for all tradespeople by rescheduling and altering the planned work, if so required.
- 19.104 If at this stage the craftspeople still refuse to go to work, the Superintendent will instruct the Foreperson and Steward of the craft that they are to contact the Business Agent or their immediate superior and report that the tradespeople have refused to go to work.
- 19.105 Subject to above, Clause 20.500 of the Agreement shall be applied.
- 19.106 When an employee reports to work and cannot work because of inclement weather they shall be paid two (2) hours reporting time and the Employee must remain on the job for the two (2) hour period unless otherwise instructed by the Employer Supervisor.
- Should an Employee remain on-site past the two (2) hour minimum they shall be compensated for hours worked or actual waiting time.
- 19.200 **Work Not Available** – The following conditions apply:
- 19.201 When an employee reports to work and is not given the opportunity to work because none is available or was not advised before the completion of the previous day's work, they shall be paid three (3) hours at the applicable hourly rate for reporting time and allowed to leave the job immediately, inclusive of all shifts reported for including overtime days.
- 19.202 If an employee has started to work on their regular shift, he or she shall be paid not less than four (4) hours pay. When the employee works more than four (4) hours but less than

eight (8) hours on their regular shift he or she shall be paid a minimum of eight (8) hours pay.

19.203 It is understood and accepted that when work is not available or the employee has started to work on their regular shift and is then instructed to report for work at a later time in a given twenty-four (24) hour period the 2-4-8- principle applies to the regular shift. If the regular shift (not including overtime) is more than eight (8) hours (10 or 12 hours/CWW, etc.) the 2-4-8 equates to 2-5-10 or 2-6-12 respectively.

19.300 **Conditions for Call-Ins of employees will be as follows:**

When an employee works a long call-in on weekends, he or she shall be entitled to an overtime meal when the call in exceeds four (4) hours. Subsequent meals will be provided by the Employer on a regular basis as near as possible to the four (4) intervals.

19.302 Employee's will receive a minimum of two (2) hours pay at the double-time (2x) rate for all call-ins regardless of time or duration.

All hours worked beyond the minimum two (2) hour threshold will be paid at double (2x) the straight time hourly rate.

19.303 "Call-In" pay will be applicable to each call extended to an employee.

19.304 A "Call-In" which immediately precedes and becomes continuous with regular work day will be paid as follows:

i) Minimum of two (2) hours at double (2x) the straight time hourly rate.

ii) Overtime rate for any hours worked in excess of two (2) hours up to starting time of employee's regular work day.

iii) At normal starting time of employee's regular work day pay shall revert to appropriate pay for that day.

19.305 When an employee is advised prior to completion of a shift or work day to report back at a specific time between shifts, such work is not considered "Call-In" but will be paid at double the basic rate without regard to minimum pay.

19.306 When an employee is advised prior to completion of a shift or work day to report early for their succeeding shift or work day, such work is not considered "Call-In" but will be paid at the applicable overtime rate without regard to minimum pay.

19.307 It is not intended that an employee shall work more than sixteen (16) hours in any given twenty-four (24) hour period, therefore, it should be established that an employee must have at least eight (8) continuous hours off between regular shifts or he or she will be paid overtime rates for all hours worked in excess of first eight (8) until such time as the employee does have eight (8) continuous hours off.

This shall be established as a Project Rule and it shall be the Supervisor's responsibility to verify the returning time with any employee working in excess of sixteen (16) hours or returning between shifts on "Call-Ins" to ascertain that the employee does receive the eight (8) hours off or is paid correctly.

- 19.308 It is the intent of this Clause that no employee shall lose pay on a normal shift due to taking the required ten (10) hour break.
- 19.400 Subject to the above, it shall be the Employer's prerogative to decide whether work shall be stopped during a day of work.
- 19.500 If an employee stops work for reasons of their own, and without the approval of the Employer, he or she shall be entitled to pay only for the hours actually worked in the day and minimum conditions shall not apply.
- 19.600 **Conditions for employees on Stand-By Duty on scheduled days off will be as follows:**
- 19.601 Whenever an employee is scheduled for stand-by duty he or she will be reimbursed with two (2) hours pay at double-time (2) for each period of duty. Each stand-by period will not exceed twenty-four (24) consecutive hours, and not more than three (3) consecutive stand-by periods will be permitted. Stand-by duty means that an employee agrees to be available on call during the period. The names of persons on stand-by duty will be posted.

ARTICLE 20.000 TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION ALLOWANCE

- 20.100 There shall be no room and board, travel allowance, mileage or pay for travel time applicable under this Agreement. The Employer may, however, under certain geographical and other conditions associated with major plant shutdowns as defined in Article 12.700, pay an amount toward accommodation costs.
- 20.200 Eligibility for accommodation allowance in Article 20.100 will be based on a demonstrated need as jointly agreed among the applicable Union Business Manager and the Employer prior to commencement of work, and on a duly completed written application per Appendix 'A' application for accommodation allowance.
- 20.300 The participating Unions agree to provide the employer with all information legally permissible by law to the Employer should there be an investigation into the fraudulent receipt of accommodation allowance.
- 20.400 Any employee found guilty of fraudulently receiving accommodation allowance monies will not be dispatched to any employer executing work under the GPMA or NMA Agreements within the province of New Brunswick until all monies are paid back.

ARTICLE 21.000 MIXED CREWS

- 21.100 It is recognized by the parties to this Agreement that the work covered at times requires the use of mixed crews. Where this becomes necessary, the Unions agree to cooperate with the Employer in every respect in order that the work be conducted in a most expedient manner.
- 21.200 In the event that an emergency arises which would not warrant the "Call-In" of other tradespeople or others could not be reached, the Employer shall have the right to assign those on the project to such emergency work as is necessary. The Employer agrees that in such cases, it will have due regard where practicable to Union jurisdiction.
- 21.300 **Conditions for emergency work are as follows:**
- 21.301 A mixed crew under the terms of this Agreement shall be any group of employees up to and including the entire maintenance force signatory to this Agreement necessary to meet the emergency situation without regard to classification or craft for that period only.
- 21.302 An emergency under the terms of this Agreement is defined as any situation of an unexpected nature endangering life, property or normal plant production.
- 21.303 In the event such emergency continues, a return to craft line operation will be made as soon as contact between the Employer and Local Business Agent is feasible. In any event the Employer shall notify any or all Local Business Agents whose craft rights have been affected during the course of such emergency not later than the next regular business day.

ARTICLE 22.000 SUPERVISION

- 22.100 The Employer reserves the right to send into the area of work as many Supervisors and Professional Engineers, as it deems necessary to supervise the work covered by this Agreement.

ARTICLE 23.000 TOOL ROOMS

- 23.100 The Employer and the Unions agree that it shall be the Owner's prerogative to maintain and operate a general centrally located tool room and warehouse. The Unions agree that the manpower required for the operation of the centrally located tool room and warehouse may at the Owner's option be employed directly by them.
- 23.200 If it is the intention of the Employer to establish area tool rooms and warehouses as required for efficient service in the plant, these area tool rooms and warehouses will be manned under the terms of this Agreement.
- 23.300 Tools issued to employees for use on the job will remain Employer property and those employees to whom the tools are issued, will be responsible for their safekeeping and

return. The Employer may issue rules and regulations governing the issue of tools and their return to the tool room.

ARTICLE 24.000 FIRST AID, SAFETY AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

- 24.100 **First Aid** – the Employer or the Owner will provide first aid services in accordance with applicable Provincial or Federal Legislation and Regulations.
- 24.200 **Safety** – the employees covered by the terms of this Agreement shall at all times while in the employ of the Employer be bound by the Safety Rules and Regulations as established by the Employer and the Owner. These rules and regulations are to be published at conspicuous places throughout the plant. The Employer will provide to the employees, such items of safety equipment and apparel as required by these Safety Rules and Regulations.
- 24.201 All Employers signatory to this agreement commit to support the Canadian Safety Achievement Awards (CS2A) program through the submission of nominations annually.
- 24.300 **Protective clothing for employees will be as follows:**
- 24.301 The Employer, on request, shall issue up to two (2) pairs of coveralls to Long-Term employees each twelve (12) months. Cleaning of these coveralls will be the responsibility of the Employer. All such clothing when issued by the Employer, will be worn during on-the-job activity and will remain Employer property and must be returned before leaving the jobsite. Rules and regulations governing the issue and return of such clothing will be published at a conspicuous location on the job.
- 24.302 The Employer accepts the responsibility to provide coveralls and all necessary protective clothing required for working conditions which are exceptional or would lead to speedier deterioration of personal clothing, than under normal or usually accepted working conditions.

ARTICLE 25.000 PROJECT RULES

- 25.100 Local Union Business Representatives should encourage all members to give Employers a permanent mailing address and the name and address of "next of kin" for notice purposes.
- 25.200 It is recognized that in an operation of this kind, the Employer and the Unions have interests in the rules governing the performance of the work under this contract. It is agreed that such project rules and regulations will be prepared and distributed among the tradespeople on the job by the Employer, provided such rules do not conflict with or contravene terms of this Agreement.
- 25.300 It is agreed by the Unions that all of the employees covered by this Agreement shall be made aware of these project rules and regulations by the Employer at the time of their hire and that they shall be bound by them throughout the duration of their employment.

25.400 It is further agreed that violation of these project rules and regulations is direct and just cause for disciplinary action, including discharge, subject to Article 7.000, Grievance Procedure.

ARTICLE 26.000 LOCKOUT AND WORK STOPPAGE

26.100 During the term of this Agreement there shall be no lock-out by the Employer and no slowdown or work stoppage by any of the Unions.

ARTICLE 27.000 ADMINISTRATION FUND

27.100 The Employer and all Sub-Contractors to this Agreement shall contribute an amount of ten cents (\$0.10) per hour earned into the Administration Fund of the General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada.

This amount shall be remitted monthly in accordance with the 'Administration Fund Appendix' attached to this agreement.

ARTICLE 28.000 MANAGEMENT CLAUSE

28.100 The Employer shall have full right to direct the progress of the work and to exercise all function and control, including but not limited to, the selection of the kind of materials, supplies, or equipment used in the prosecution of the work and the right to discharge or lay-off any employee for just and sufficient cause, provided, however, that no employee shall be discriminated against. These provisions do not prohibit the Union's right to the peaceful exercise of grievance procedure if in its judgment the spirit and intent of this Agreement has been violated.

ARTICLE 29.000 DURATION AND TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

29.100 The duration of the Agreement will be three (3) years from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028 and shall continue from year to year thereafter unless notice of desire to negotiate changes or termination is given by either party at least sixty days (60) prior to such anniversary date. Changes by mutual consent of the parties are not excluded during the lifetime of this agreement.

ARTICLE 30.000 ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE

30.000 This collective agreement can be executed by a representative of each trade union by electronic signature or other electronic means. A letter of authorization to that effect is on record with the General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada. Execution by

electronic means has the same effect as if the collective agreement was executed in person by the representative of the trade union physically signing a copy of the collective agreement.

As well, this collective agreement can be executed by a representative of each signatory employer by electronic signature or other electronic means. A letter of authorization to that effect is on record with the General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada. Execution by electronic means has the same effect as if the collective agreement was executed in person by the representative of the trade union physically signing a copy of the collective agreement.

Signed this 1st day of July 2025

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF:

Irving Oil Ltd., Refining Division

STUART OLSON INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE

CAM INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS

ALUMASAFWAY

Saint John LNG Facility

LORNEVILLE MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS LTD.

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FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE *UNIONS*:

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International Association of Heat & Frost Insulators & Allied Workers

GENERAL PRESIDENT

Labourers' International Union of North America

INTERNATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers

GENERAL PRESIDENT

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DIRECTOR OF CANADIAN AFFAIRS

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Operative Plasterers & Cement Masons International Association

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International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

GENERAL VICE PRESIDENT

International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental & Reinforcing Iron Workers

DIRECTOR OF CANADIAN AFFAIRS

International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers

EXAMPLES SECTION

CASE I An employee who works from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and is called in at 1:00 a.m. and works until 3:30 a.m., then resumes their regular shift at 8:00 a.m., would be paid overtime for the hours worked from 1:00 a.m. to 3:30 a.m., but would be on straight time for 8:00 a.m.

The employee had a continuous 8 hour break between the end of one regular shift (4:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.) and the beginning of the next.

CASE II An employee who works from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and is called in at 11:00 p.m. and works until 2:00 a.m., then resumes their regular shift at 8:00 a.m., thus has not had a continuous 8 hour break between the end of one shift and the beginning of the next. The employee is entitled to overtime from 8:00 a.m. onwards until an 8 hour break occurs, or alternately and preferably the employee may be instructed not to report until 10:00 a.m., i.e., so that he has an 8 hour break. In this event the "2, 4, 8 hour" pay clause would apply and the employee would receive 8 hours pay for that day even though he or she reported back to work at 10:00 a.m. For call ins on Sunday, which precede and may become continuous with regular work day Monday morning, the following rules will apply:

- (1) The employee must have 8 continuous hours off in the 24 hour period immediately preceding 8:00 a.m. Monday morning.
- (2) The employee should not work more than 16 hours without an 8 hour break.

CASE I Therefore, if an employee is called in at 4:00 p.m. Sunday and works until 1:15 a.m., he or she should report for work at 8:00 a.m. and be paid straight time, as they had an 8 hour break in the 24 hour period preceding 8:00 a.m. Monday.

CASE II An employee should not work more than 16 hours and must take an 8 hour break before continuing work. Therefore, an employee called in at 7:00 p.m. Sunday could work until 11:00 a.m. Monday, 16 hours. The employee would be paid double-time from 7:00 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. The employee would revert to straight time at 8:00 a.m., until 11:00 a.m. The employee would then be sent home at 11:00 a.m. and paid 8 hours for Monday (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.). Employees working long call ins that approach regular starting time on Monday, should be given the option of remaining at work and taking advantage of the 16 hour rule. In other words, it is unfair to send the employee home at 7:00 a.m. after working 10 hours, and expect them to be back at 8:00 a.m. to be paid straight time.

CASE III In another case an employee is called in at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday and works until 2:00 a.m. The employee would be instructed to take an 8 hour break and report at 10:00 a.m. Monday and be paid for the day at straight time, as the employee did not have a continuous 8 hour break in the 24 hour period from 8:00 a.m. Sunday to 8:00 a.m. Monday.

POLICY UNDERSTANDINGS

The following Policy on Alcohol and Drug Guidelines and Work Rule was agreed to:

ALCOHOL AND DRUG GUIDELINES AND WORK RULE

WHEREAS certain Owners may dictate the necessity of an "Alcohol and Drug" policy; and

WHEREAS it is of mutual benefit for both parties to the "Collective Agreement", to endorse such a program of guidelines dealing with "Alcohol and Drug" policies in the workplace, both parties agree to endorse the following document as the standard of our industry.

"CANADIAN MODEL FOR PROVIDING A SAFE WORKPLACE"

The parties agree to adopt the Canadian Model for Providing a Safe Workplace Alcohol and Drug Guidelines and Work Rules v.5.0 dated October 8, 2014. The Committee reserves the right to review subsequent updates to the Canadian model.

The General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada and National Maintenance Council for Canada and Employers signatory to this agreement reserve the right to update the Canadian Model.

ITEMS OF UNDERSTANDING

- 1) The Parties agree that the Contractor will be responsible for payment of failed weld tests.
- 2) The rate of subsistence, as governed by the Subsistence/Accommodation Allowance Appendix herein, is as outlined below, effective:

July 1, 2025	One hundred, fifty dollars	\$150.00
July 1, 2026	One hundred, sixty dollars	\$160.00
July 1, 2027	One hundred, seventy dollars	\$170.00

The Parties agree to meet to review on an annual basis, to determine if further increases to Subsistence are required.

WELDING TEST

NEW BRUNSWICK WELDER TESTING PROVISIONS

WELDING TESTS

- 1) Any Welder possessing a current Provincial Government welding certificate of qualification, who is required to take a Provincial Government test, if required by the Employer, shall be paid for weld time required (to a maximum of four (4) hours per test) to take the test. Employees who are required by the Employer to have a specialty Provincial Government welding ticket(s) (or equivalent) at the time of hire shall have the required ticket(s), for the job, valid at the time of termination. Any individual who fails the weld test will be compensated for the test time required (up to four (4) hours) and receive the applicable subsistence amount should they qualify under the collective agreement.
 - I) Any time required to complete additional specialized weld testing outside of the standard Provincial Government test(s) shall be paid at the applicable rate of pay for the duration of said test(s).
 - II) It is the decision of the Employer to allow a welder to attempt a test they previously failed.
 - III) Should the welder fail when making a second attempt to pass the same test, they will not be compensated for the weld test time or subsistence amount should they qualify under the collective agreement.
- 2) Hours paid for weld testing will be paid at the rates of pay applicable to the time the testing occurs.
 - I) Example: If a Welder is dispatched for a night shift call to a job, and the Employer arranges the pre job weld testing to occur on day shift, then the testing hours paid to Employee will be paid at day shift rates.
- 3) If there are no viable work placements for a Tradesperson failing the weld test, the individual should be laid off and no cost implication for Employer.
- 4) Welders passing a test will be furnished a copy of the test papers from the Employer or party requiring the test within thirty (30) days, or upon completion of the job, whichever is sooner, provided they are available at that time; otherwise the Employer will provide a letter confirming the test and the results.
- 5) Where a Welder is to take an official Provincial test on which the issuance or reissuance of their certificate will depend, they shall not be required to do so under conditions which would unfairly affect their ability to perform the test. For other tests, the Employer may prescribe test conditions approximating, but not exceeding, conditions which may be encountered on the job.

- 6) Welders required to take any test shall be allowed to complete the test (paid to a maximum of four (4) hours).
- 7) Any Welder who successfully completes the welding test, but fails to report for work as notified, without a bona fide reason acceptable to the Employer, will not be eligible for any payment, including testing time and other allowances.
- 8) The determination of a successful weld test is at the sole discretion of the Employer.
- 9) Any Welder that successfully completes a pre-job weld-test required by the Employer, in advance of the established start date on site, that qualifies for subsistence under the Maintenance Agreement, shall be paid the daily subsistence rate for any Regular Work Days (excluding Statutory Holidays and weekends) unworked after the test day, and prior to the start of the job, up to a maximum number of "Waiting Days" subsistence, as per the below table:

PRIMARY RESIDENCE DISTANCE FROM TEST SITE (KILOMETERS)	MAXIMUM # OF WAITING DAYS SUBSISTENCE
0-99	0
100-200	1
200-300	2
300-400	3
>400	4

- I) The subsistence allowances described in this clause will not be paid to any Welder who does not report to work as notified.
- II) For the above "Regular Work Days" are defined as the regular time days in the employees work shift on their dispatch for the job.
 - For example, if the work schedule for the Employee's job is 6 days per week, 10 hours per day. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at regular time, and Friday, Saturday at applicable overtime rate. The "Regular Work Days" referenced above would be Monday, Tuesday Wednesday, and Thursday.
 - Any Welder traveling greater than two hundred (200) kilometers from the site will be entitled to be paid subsistence for all "Waiting Days" to the maximum number as outlined above in the chart.
- III) If the test site is in a town or municipality other than the job site location, subsistence for waiting days will be paid to a maximum of one (1) Day.

APPENDIX A

APPLICATION FOR ACCOMMODATION ALLOWANCE (ARTICLE 20.000)

Please see the GPMA Application for Subsistence link below or the Application Form can be found at gpmccanada.com

Effective July 1, 2025: [GPMA APPLICATION FOR ACCOMODATION ALLOWANCE](#)

Effective July 1, 2026: [GPMA APPLICATION FOR ACCOMODATION ALLOWANCE](#)

APPENDIX B

NEW BRUNSWICK BEREAVEMENT PROTOCOL

General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada (GPMC)

PURPOSE

The General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada and its Signatory Employers have created a protocol for New Brunswick Irving Oil GPMA Agreement that would allow for bereavement benefits. This protocol is seen to be beneficial in the further growth of the maintenance industry.

ARTICLE I - DEFINITIONS

For purposes of Bereavement Pay Benefits set out in Article II below, the following definitions apply:

- 1.01 "Bereavement Pay Benefits" means the benefits as set out in Article II hereof.
- 1.02 "Child" means a biological or legally adopted child of an Employee, or a stepchild or other child who is or has been dependent upon the Employee for support and who lives or has lived with the Employee in a regular parent-child relationship.
- 1.03 "Grandparent" shall mean the parent of an Employee's Parent.
- 1.04 "Employee" means an employee of the Employer who at the time of the funeral or memorial service has been in the continuous employ of the employer for a period of twenty-four months (24) or longer and who is in good standing with his or her Union, as defined by the Constitution of the applicable affiliated Building Trades Union and working under the General Presidents' Maintenance Agreement.
- 1.05 "Parent" means a birth parent or legally adoptive parent or step-parent and "Parent-in-law" shall mean the parent of an Employee's Spouse.
- 1.06 "Sibling" means a birth sibling or legally adopted brother or sister, step-brother, step-sister, or other person sharing a common parent with an employee.
- 1.07 "Spouse" means a husband, wife or same-sex partner by virtue of a religious or civil marriage ceremony, except that a person of the same or opposite sex living with an employee will be deemed to be the employee's spouse if such person publicly represented as the employee's spouse for a continuous period as established by law in the province of New Brunswick.
- 1.08 "Brother In-law" or "Sister In-law" means the brother or sister of the Employees spouse.

ARTICLE II – BEREAVEMENT PAY BENEFITS

2.01 Bereavement Pay Benefits shall be eight (8) hours multiplied by the employees' base wage rate for up to four (4) days of lost work incurred as a result of the employee's attendance at a funeral or memorial service upon the death of an Employee's Spouse, Child, Parent, Parent-in-Law, Grandparent, Sibling, Brother In-law or Sister In-law.

Bereavement Pay Benefits shall be paid at the straight time rate. Bereavement Pay shall not be applicable to any overtime days missed.

2.02 Bereavement Pay Benefits shall only be paid to an employee who:

- (a) was employed at the time of the funeral or memorial service and was not reimbursed by the Employer for lost wages for the days claimed;
- (b) if employed at the time of the funeral, provides a completed Application for Bereavement Benefits form as prescribed by the employer.
- (c) has filed a claim for benefits on the required form (Schedule 1) within 60 working days of the death of one of the following persons as defined in Article I: spouse, parent, sibling, grandparent, brother/sister in-law or child.; and
- (d) provides a documentation acceptable to the employer which establishes the death of the individual and the relationship of the employee to the deceased within 60 working days of the death. This may include but is not limited to a photocopy of the deceased person's death certificate, death notice, memorial card or obituary.
- (e) this payment will not be applicable to those employees who have alternative coverage provided by their Local Union.

ARTICLE III - AMENDMENT

3.01 The parties agree to meet, if necessary, at a time and location determined by mutual agreement to review the experience of the program from implementation to that date and determine if any amendments or adjustments are required.

3.02 Subsequent to a review, the Protocol may be amended in any respect, from time to time, by agreement of the Parties.

ARTICLE IV – MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

4.01 If any provision of this Protocol, or the rules and regulations made pursuant thereto, are held to be illegal or invalid for any reason, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement or the said rules and regulations.

- 4.02 Wherever the singular and/or masculine and/or neuter is used throughout the Agreement the same shall be construed as meaning the plural and/or feminine or a body corporate where the context or the Parties hereto so require.
- 4.03 The headings used herein are for ease of reference only and shall not be deemed to form part of the Agreement.

Application For New Brunswick Bereavement Allowance

Employee Name		Badge #	
Home Address			
Phone Number		E-mail address	
Trade		Union	
Site		Supervisor	
		Date of Application	

In making application for the bereavement allowance I agree to be bound by all terms and conditions established under the New Brunswick Bereavement Protocol currently in effect between the General Presidents Maintenance Committee and the signatory contractors.

I am making this claim for bereavement allowance for ____/____/____
to ____/____/____ during which time I was absent from work to attend a funeral or memorial service for _____.

The deceased person was related to me as:

- Spouse
- Child
- Parent or Parent-in-law
- Grandparent
- Sibling (Brother or Sister)
- Brother In-law or Sister In-law

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

In order to process your application for the New Brunswick Bereavement Allowance, you must include documents supporting this application including proof of death and relationship to the deceased. If you do not submit the required documents, your application cannot be processed. This may include but is not limited to a copy of the deceased person's death certificate, death notice, memorial card or obituary.

All employee claims must be filed within sixty (60) calendar days of the death. In order to qualify for the employee must have been employed by the employer for at least twenty-four (24) months of continuous service prior to the date of death and must be employed by the employer when the death occurs.

In signing this application I verify that all the information contained herein is accurate and true. I understand that false or fraudulent claims will be treated as fraud and in the event that this application is determined to be false or fraudulent the employer may recover any monies paid to me from my regular pay including from my final pay from the employer.

Employee signature		Date	
Supervisor Signature		Date	
LR Authorization		Date	
Payroll Approval		Date	

Completed forms are to be held in employee personnel file.

APPENDIX C

COMPRESSED WORK WEEK SCHEDULES A AND B

I. SCHEDULE "A"

Straight days

Fourteen (14) twelve (12) hour shifts in a twenty-eight (28) day cycle.

Number of hours on shift 0

Number of cycles per year 13

Number of hours per cycle 168

Number of hours on shift per year 0

Number of overtime hours per year 104

II. SCHEDULE "B"

Alternating days and nights

Seven (7) twelve (12) hour day shifts and seven (7) twelve (12) hour night shifts
in a twenty-eight (28) day cycle

Number of hours on shift per cycle 84

Number of cycles per year 13

Number of hours per cycle 168

Number of hours on shift per year 1092

Number of overtime hours per year 104

APPENDIX D

CLARIFICATION LETTER REGARDING FOREPERSON PROVISION IN GPMA & NMA COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS

Provisions Governing Forepersons

The appointment and governance of forepersons, including General Forepersons, are explicitly detailed in the respective articles of the GPMA and NMA Collective Agreements. Specifically, forepersons are governed by Article 11.300 in the GPMA and Article 21.000 in the NMA. Under these provisions, the responsibility for the appointment of forepersons, including determining their number, resides solely with the employer. This autonomy allows employers to assess and appoint forepersons/general foreperson based on operational needs and specific project requirements.

There are no restrictions to these appointments based on local union or travel card designation. The distinction would be during layoff the employer would follow the preference as outlined in both the NMA and GPMA agreements.

Standalone Nature of the GPMA and NMA Agreements

It is important to note that the GPMA and NMA are standalone agreements. Each operates independently and does not revert back to local construction reference agreements unless explicitly stated within the text of the GPMA or NMA. This ensures that the terms and conditions outlined in these agreements are applied directly and consistently, without unintended influence from local agreements. Where the GPMA or NMA identifies a need to refer to local construction reference agreements, such instances are clearly specified and limited in scope.

We hope this letter provides clarity regarding the provisions outlined in the GPMA and NMA Collective Agreements on forepersons. Should you have any further questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to reach out.

ADMINISTRATION FUND

GENERAL PRESIDENTS' MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE FOR CANADA

In accordance with Article 28.100, the Employer and all Sub-Contractors to this agreement shall pay ten cents (\$0.10) per hour earned into the Administration Fund of the General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada.

This amount shall be remitted monthly by way of electronic fund transfer (EFT) by the fifteenth (15th) of the following month in which the hours were executed, along with the Remittance Form outlining the hours and trades being reported. The Remittance Form must be forwarded by e-mail to the following e-mail address: admin@gpmccanada.com

Remittances to the General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada must include an additional 15% (HST) to be remitted along with the General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada monthly remittances.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Contact the Administrative Office of the General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada to obtain the appropriate information and to initiate the setup process for an electronic funds transfer (EFT). Employers unable to make payment by EFT will be granted an allowance to utilize post mail only in cases where a letter from their bank has been provided. Where an allowance has been provided the cheque and Remittance Form can be mailed and made payable to:

General Presidents' Maintenance Committee for Canada
447 Frederick Street, Suite 100
Kitchener, Ontario
N2H 2P4

ATTENTION: Brett McKenzie, Executive Director

WAGE & BENEFIT SCHEDULE

IRVING OIL REFINERY PROJECT

GENERAL PRESIDENTS' MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 12.000

1) The following formula will be used for the determination of Long and Short-Term Maintenance Rates and Benefits for the duration of the Agreement – July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028.

I) Short-Term Maintenance Rates will be set at 100% of Local Construction base rates.

II) Long-Term Journeyman Maintenance Rates will be set as outlined below, less the current industrial construction rate, effective:

July 1, 2025	One dollar, fifty cents	\$1.50
July 1, 2026	One dollar, twenty-five cents	\$1.25
July 1, 2027	One dollar	\$1.00

III) 100% of appropriate fringe benefits will be paid for the duration of the Agreement including vacation pay percentages and statutory holiday percentages and payments pursuant to the local reference collective agreement. Any statutory holiday pay legacy funding (i.e. Paid Labour Day, etc.) covered by local union reference agreements are not applicable under this agreement.

2) Apprentice rates are calculated at the percentages provided in the Local Construction Agreement applied to Maintenance Journeyman Rate. Appropriate skill premiums to be paid in accordance with past maintenance jobsite practice.

3) Compressed Work Week (CWW) rates will be calculated pursuant to Article 16.000 of the Agreement.

- 4) **EMPLOYERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR OPERATING THEIR OWN PAYROLL IN AN ACCURATE AND TIMELY FASHION PURSUANT TO THE COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT. APPROPRIATE UNION DUES DEDUCTIONS ARE TO BE MADE PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REFERENCE COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS.**
- 5) Pursuant to Article 29.000, Administration Fund, the General Presidents' Committee Admin Fund is set at \$0.10 per hour earned.