Generic Onshore Royalty Regime

On June 21 1994, the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador announced a generic onshore royalty system which will apply to the province's onshore petroleum resources.

| Royalty Structure Basic Royalty | |
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| Basic Royalty | 5% |
| Net Royalty | |
| Tier 1 Rate Return Allowance | 20% 5% + LTGBR* |
| Tier 2 Rate Return Allowance | 5% 15% + LTGBR* |

* Long Term Government Bond Rate

Royalty Calculation

1. Royalty Holiday

There is no royalty payable on the first two million barrels or equivalent of production for a project.

2. Basic Royalty

After two million barrels of production, a *Basic Royalty* of five percent is payable.

3. Net Royalty

The *Net Royalty* consists of a two-tier profit sensitive royalty which become effective when *Net Royalty Pay*out occurs.

Tier 1

The Tier 1 Net Royalty is 20% of Net Revenue after a Return Allowance of 5% + LTGBR is achieved. Basic Royalty is a credit against this royalty. Therefore, the interest holders pay the higher of Basic Royalty or Net Royalty.

• Tier 2

The Tier 2 Net Royalty is 5% of Net Revenue after a Return Allowance of 15% + LTGBR is achieved. The Tier 2 Net Royalty is in addition to any other royalties payable.



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Royalty Concepts

Basic Royalty - percentage of gross revenue.

Net Royalty - percentage of net revenue.

Net Revenue - gross revenue less eligible project costs.

Net Royalty Payout - point in time when the costs related to a particular project are recovered plus a specified return allowance on those costs. The Net Royalty Payout is divided into two tiers with each tier having a different return allowance.

Return Allowance - rate of return on unrecovered costs.

