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Forecasting Crown Crude Oil Royalty Volumes Under the New Royalty Framework

The New Royalty Framework (NRF) will be implemented for the January 2009 production period. Conventional crude oil royalty being delivered in the month of January 2009 must be forecast according to COLC deadlines in the first week of December 2008.

In order to accurately forecast January royalty volumes, it will be necessary to determine the Crown's royalty share in accordance with the NRF royalty formula and the January 2009 Par Prices. A [New NRF Oil Calculator](#) and the Information Letters containing the [January Par Prices](#) are available on the Alberta Energy website www.energy.alberta.ca

On December 3rd, test statements will be available in the Petroleum Registry (PRA) which will show the results of calculating royalty based on October 2008 production under the NRF. If you feel these reports can assist you in forecasting the Crown royalty, it will be necessary for you to contact the PRA User Security Administrator for your company to determine how to access or obtain these reports. Under the NRF, which utilizes four par prices, the calculation is extremely price sensitive, so please note the significant change in prices from October to January.

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