

# **QUALITY CONTROL AGREEMENT**

**Between:**

**NONDESTRUCTIVE TESTING COMPANIES SIGNATORY HERETO**

**- And -**

**QUALITY CONTROL COUNCIL OF CANADA (QCCC)**

**- And -**

**NDT MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION**

**Effective May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2015**

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**QUALITY CONTROL AGREEMENT  
May 1, 2012 - April 30, 2015**

Between:

**NONDESTRUCTIVE TESTING COMPANIES SIGNATORY HERETO**  
(each hereinafter referred to as the "Employer")

OF THE FIRST PART

AND

**QUALITY CONTROL COUNCIL OF CANADA (QCCC)**  
(hereinafter referred to as the "Council")

AND

**UNITED ASSOCIATION OF JOURNEYMAN AND APPRENTICES OF THE  
PLUMBERS AND PIPEFITTER INDUSTRY OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA  
LOCAL 740**

AND

**INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF BOILERMAKERS, IRON SHIP BUILDERS,  
BLACKSMITHS, FORGERS AND HELPER, LODGE 203**

OF THE SECOND PART

AND

**THE CONSTRUCTION LABOUR RELATIONS ASSOCIATION OF NEWFOUNDLAND  
AND LABRADOR**  
(hereinafter referred to as the "CLRA")

AND

**THE CONSTRUCTION LABOUR RELATIONS ASSOCIATION OF PROVINCE OF  
NOVA SCOTIA**  
(hereinafter referred to as the "CLRA")

AND

**[Prairie Region – See Appendix D]**

AND

**NDT MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION**  
(hereinafter referred to as the "Association")

OF THE THIRD PART

WHEREAS the Employer's business involves Nondestructive Testing and the employment of persons skilled and qualified to perform the same, and

WHEREAS the nature of the work and the size and scope of the Employer's business requires that persons employed by the Employer be available to perform work where and when such work may be requested by owners and contractors; and

WHEREAS the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada, and the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers, (hereinafter referred to as the "affiliated Unions") wish to negotiate and administer this Agreement through the Council and for that purpose have constituted the Council and empowered it to act as agent for each and both of them; save and except for the Province of Newfoundland, and

WHEREAS the Employer recognizes for the purposes of this Agreement the formation by the affiliated Unions of the Council and agrees to deal with the Council as the agent of the affiliated Unions in negotiating and administering this Collective Agreement; save and except for the Province of Newfoundland, and

WHEREAS the Employer recognizes the Newfoundland Unions as the sole bargaining agent for all Nondestructive Testing Employees employed by the Employer in the Province of Newfoundland, and

WHEREAS the parties hereto desire that persons trained to perform nondestructive testing work may be admitted to the appropriate affiliated Union, and that the said affiliated Union should have jurisdiction over such persons; and

WHEREAS the work of the Employer is carried out in many places in Canada so that it is essential that the Employer's personnel be available to work promptly when required throughout Canada.

NOW THEREFORE this Agreement witnessed, and the parties aforementioned hereto mutually covenant and agree together as follows:

**Note: The express terms of this agreement are modified by the Appendices A, B, C, D, E, F and G which are hereby made a part of this Agreement. Where there is a conflict the provision of the Appendix takes priority.**

## **ARTICLE 1 RECOGNITION**

1.01 The Employer recognizes the Council as the sole and exclusive bargaining representative for all Nondestructive Testing Technicians, Trainees and Helpers in the employ of the Employer within the scope of this Agreement save and except office and sales staff, and persons above the rank of working supervisor.

Owners and/or shareholders shall be considered employees when performing work covered by the collective agreement and, as such, shall join one of the affiliated unions and be paid all terms and conditions of the collective agreement.

The minimum contributions of any employer to the pension fund, training fund, administration fund, field dues, union dues, health and welfare fund and all other required payments shall be based on a minimum of one hundred seventy-three (173) hours per month working time for at least one (1) employee. There must be at least one full time employee.

“Employee” means any person working within the scope of this agreement whether probationary or not, and whether working on unchargeable time or not and all hours worked by such employee within the scope of this agreement shall be counted for the purposes of all remissions required including regular dues, working dues, pension, training fund, administration fund and Health and Welfare.

- 1.02 The affiliated Unions agree with each other and with the Council and the Employer to maintain the Council composed of the affiliated Unions for the purposes of this Agreement and to be governed by the terms of this Agreement and by all lawful settlements of disputes and grievances made by the Council. The affiliated Unions further agree to delegate, and they do hereby delegate, to the Council all their rights as bargaining agent for employees of the Employer who come within the scope of this Agreement and agree not to withdraw such delegation of rights. The Council accepts the delegation of rights and responsibilities of negotiating and administering this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 2      SCOPE**

- 2.01 (a) This agreement shall apply in respect to all nondestructive testing work performed by the employer or by any person, firm or corporation owned or financially controlled by the employer in Canada. For greater certainty, this clause shall be construed to mean any business, undertaking or a part that has been sold, leased, transferred or merged with another business, undertaking or part of it or otherwise disposed of so that the control, management or supervision of it would pass to a purchaser, lessee transferee or person acquiring it or where an employer may operate a business, venture or undertaking which is in a related or associated business and is under the common control and direction of one or more parties, either directly or indirectly. The broadest possible construction shall be placed upon it, so as to achieve the intended purpose of curtailing spin-offs or successor employers.

Nondestructive Testing is defined as follows:

- Radiography including x-ray, gamma ray, fluoroscopy, real time and ground penetrating radar,
- Ultrasonics including automated, immersion, contact,
- Magnetic Particle Inspection – all industrial forms,
- Liquid Penetrant Inspection – all industrial forms,
- Eddy Current including Remote Field Testing and Electro Magnetic Inspection,
- PMI for material sorting,

together with future technological replacements and advancements in these methods.

- (b) This definition of nondestructive testing does not prohibit the Council from organizing and seeking certification for employees of the employer engaged in other types of work. If the Council or one of its affiliated unions gains certification or written voluntary recognition for the employees of an employer performing any such functions. The employer will negotiate rates for such employees and include them under this agreement for that employer.
- (c) If the employer assigns persons covered by this agreement to perform work which is not within the scope of the agreement, all terms and conditions of the agreement shall apply. However that assignment does not bring the work within the scope of the agreement. Such work is “chargeable” unless it falls within the specific definition of unchargeable time.

This scope clause may differ in some regions. See Appendices for complete scope for each region.

Atlantic, Pacific, Prairie and Central Region Appendices

- (d) By way of example, this shall mean that if a person who is already a QCCC member is used to perform Visual Inspection work he shall be paid the greater of his regular rate or the CWB rate as shown in the regional wage rate appendix.

[Prairie and Pacific Region: See Appendices D and E]

- 2.02 In no event shall the Employer be required to pay higher rates of wages, or be subject to more unfavourable working rules than those established by the Council or either of the affiliated Unions or any of the local Unions for any other employer engaged in similar work.

## **ARTICLE 3      UNION SECURITY**

- 3.01      (a) The Employer shall, as a condition of employment, deduct monthly from each employee's pay the amount of regular dues, initiation fees and other assessments in an amount established by the Council. For the purpose of applying this clause, deductions will be made from the first pay cheque issued to the employee each month.
- (b) The Employer shall, in addition to the regular dues mentioned in (a) above, deduct monthly from each employee's pay the national retirement benefit plan and working dues in the amount of one and one-half percent (1½%) of the employee's gross earnings. A copy of remittance reports shall go to the regional QCCC office.

### **3.02      NEW EMPLOYEES**

- (a) The Employer agrees to engage employees through the services of the Council as hereinafter described. The Council shall maintain at designated office a current list of persons seeking employment and their qualifications, addresses, and telephone numbers on the QCCC Canada website. Prior to hiring an employee who is not a member of the affiliated unions, the employer shall refer to this list to determine the availability of suitable manpower and shall give preference to the persons on this list provided they have the necessary qualifications and reside in the region for which the employer is hiring. No member will be eligible for employment unless registered on the out of work list.

Employee information forms will be forwarded to the QCCC representative on the first business day following commencement of employment.

- (b) The Employer shall be entitled to hire and train persons for work as technicians or trainees, although such persons may not, at the time of hiring, be members of one of the affiliated Unions; however, following the hiring of any employee within the scope of this Agreement who is or who is not a member of one of the affiliated Unions, the Employer shall advise the designated Council office of the new employee(s) no later than the next business day and provided each new employee(s) is not a member of one of the affiliated unions, he or she may be employed for a probationary period of 500 hours. Following completion of the probationary period, all employees shall be required to apply for and maintain membership in one of the affiliated Unions as hereinafter described in order to remain eligible for employment.

- 3.03 All Union dues deducted shall be remitted as directed by the Council. Such monies shall be accompanied by a remittance report indicating the name and social insurance number of the employee from whose wages the dues were deducted. A copy of the remittance reports shall go to the regional QCCC office.



3.04 The dues remissions required by Articles 3.01 and 3.03 shall be remitted not later than the 20th of the month following the months in which the deductions are made and there shall be a ten percent (10%) assessment as liquidated damages and not as a penalty for remissions made more than three (3) days late.

3.05 Layoff Sequence

The order of termination of employment of employees working on a project shall, within each shift and classification, be as follows:

- (a) First – non-members
- (b) Last – members

**ARTICLE 4 JURISDICTION OF WORK**

4.01 With a view to balancing the number of members of each of the affiliated Unions in his employ the Employer shall, after hiring a new employee who is not a member of one of the affiliated Unions, require the new employee to apply for membership in the affiliated Union as directed by the QCCC.

4.02 Due to the nature of work involved in nondestructive testing, there shall be no jurisdictional boundaries or disputes with respect to work covered by this Agreement between the employees covered by this Agreement or between any of the affiliated Unions and any of the local Unions affected by this Agreement.

4.03 The Council agrees that employees who have worked for the employer for the preceding one (1) month or four (4) months out of the preceding twelve (12), may work in any region in Canada without financial or other restriction and without requirement that the members of any local Unions, in such Region, be hired instead of or in addition to, regular employees of the employer.

4.04 (a) The Council agrees that the Employer may perform any work within the scope of this Agreement according to the terms of this Agreement which may be subcontracted to the Employer by any other employer having a collective agreement with an affiliated Union or Local Union, and that compliance by the Employer with the terms of this Agreement for such work shall be deemed by the affiliated Unions and Local Unions to be in compliance with the subcontracting restrictions, if any, contained in the aforementioned collective agreement with the other employer.

(b) The Employer will subcontract work covered by this Agreement only to Employers who are signatory to the Agreement or covered by virtue of Article 2.01. Subcontracting includes any arrangement by which another party performs work under the CANADIAN NUCLEAR SAFETY COMMISSION Radioisotope Licence of the Employer.

- 4.05 The Council represents and warrants that the affiliated Unions have the right and power to take into membership in the affiliated Unions and their respective Local Unions the employees covered by this Agreement and that the said employees may, according to the Constitutions, By-Laws and Rules of the said Unions work on construction sites.
- 4.06 The Local Union shall provide the regular employees with a suitable means of identity which such employees may present to shop stewards when the employees are working outside their home region. When it is the intention of the Employer to dispatch the employees to a locality outside their home local region (or into a different province within the prairie region) the Employer shall notify the designated Council office.
- 4.07 The Council and the affiliated Unions covenant and agree that the Local Unions affiliated with each of the affiliated Unions (herein referred to as "Local Unions") who may from time to time be affected by this Agreement are aware of the terms hereof and agree to abide by this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 5 UNION REPRESENTATION AND ACCESS TO JOBS**

- 5.01 Authorized representatives of the Council shall have access to jobs where employees covered by this Agreement are employed and it shall be the responsibility of the Employer to provide the authorized Council representative with such access subject to the approval of the owner or contractor subcontracting to the Employer. The Council recognizes that a large percentage of the workmen on jobs where the Employer is called upon to work are employed by an owning company or by other contractors and the Council agrees that it will not use rights of access provided by this Article in such a way as to jeopardize the Employer's position on such jobs or to interfere with the progress of work on the job.
- 5.02 Shop Stewards shall be appointed by the Council from among the employer's regular employed technicians who shall be the employees' spokesman and the Employer shall be notified of the appointment. The shop steward shall be one of the second to last employees laid off or terminated by the employer company. If the shop steward isn't one of the employees working on one of the employer's projects, he shall appoint a regularly employed technician as a job steward subject to the approval of the council.

Other than qualified employees required to complete the project, the steward shall be on the jobsite at all times and shall be the second to last employee terminated from the project. On projects where there are 15 or more employees, when the employer determines that it is necessary to reduce the workforce in excess of 25% by layoff, transfers or termination, the job steward shall receive notice of the employees that will leave the job. Such notice shall be at least two hours whenever possible prior to the end of the final shift.

The shop steward and job steward shall not be discriminated against for the performance of their duties.

## **ARTICLE 6 WORK DAY AND WORK WEEK**

### **Flexible Work Week**

Where a flexible work week has been agreed upon between the Employer and the QCCC Area Representative, four (4) consecutive ten (10) hour normal shifts Monday through Friday, double time (2x) shall be paid after ten (10) hours. The applicable regional overtime rate shall be paid for the first ten (10) hours on a fifth working day, with double time (2x) thereafter. In such cases where a recognized holiday falls during a flexible work week, overtime shall be paid after thirty (30) hours worked. By mutual agreement, the employer and the QCCC representative may agree to alternative work schedules.

See Appendices.

## **ARTICLE 7 OVERTIME**

7.01 See Appendices.

- 7.02 (a) If an employee who has completed an eight (8) hour or longer normal shift, is required by the Employer or customer to return to work before an eight (8) hour break occurs the employee will be paid their applicable overtime rate, for the next shift or until they have received an eight (8) hour break.
- (b) No employee shall be required to work two (2) full straight time shifts in the same twenty-four (24) hour period.

The twenty-four (24) hour period shall mean in one (1) calendar day.

7.03 Pipeline Overtime Rates

Maximum overtime rates not to exceed one and one-half (1.5x) times regular rates on field pipeline work of a duration greater than three (3) days except on a pipeline built under the United Association Pipeline Agreement for Canada under "The Pipeline Service and Maintenance Agreement" and the "UA Distribution Agreement", while those agreements have been amended to provide for double (2x) time for overtime for Sundays and Statutory holidays.

## **ARTICLE 8 NORTHERN WORK**

- 8.01 (a) Hourly rates of wages for employees covered by this Agreement when employed north of 60 degrees latitude shall be one dollar and seventy five cents (\$1.75) per hour higher than those provided in Article X.

8.02 (b) Appendix "A" attached hereto is hereby made a part of this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 9 EXPENSES, TRAVEL, STANDBY AND DRIVING TIME**

9.01 (a) On pipeline projects the time of the shift shall start when the employees leave the warehouse for the job site and shall end at quitting time on the job site; however the lunch period shall be excluded. Should the trip to the warehouse at the end of the shift exceed one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) hour, the Employer shall pay the equivalent of one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) hour at straight time rates for each thirty (30) minutes or portion thereof travelling in excess of thirty (30) minutes.

See Appendix "F".

(a) When an employee is required to report for work in the Employer's shop he shall not receive any compensation for the time spent in travel to and from his residence.

(b) Employees who are requested to and agree to use their personal vehicle will be reimbursed at a rate equal to the current average CRA guidelines. This allowance is currently \$.50 per km. (2012). CRA annual adjustment will be implemented on the anniversary of this agreement. (May 1, annually) No employee shall be discharged for refusing to drive his own vehicle for transportation from the employer's shop.

(c) When an employee is in employer supplied accommodations or entitled to room and board expenses under Article 9.08 and there is no work available, the employee shall be paid five (5) hours at the applicable rate for a standby day, demobilized or reassigned at the discretion of the employer. This shall not apply to scheduled days off. Where an employee is required to remain at the work site or required to remain available for work, the day shall be a regular work day and not a standby day even though no work was performed.

(d) "Normal place of residence" shall be as identified in writing by the employee at the time of hire subject to changes agreed in writing between the employer and employee. The employer will notify the QCCC regional offices of these changes.

9.02 Driving Time:

The employee shall have the right to refuse to drive after a combination of working and driving more than 13 hours in a day.

## ARTICLE 10 CLASSIFICATIONS, WAGES, AND PREMIUMS

10.01 Appendices "B", "C", "D", "E", "F", and "G" attached hereto including the Letters contained therein are hereby made a part of this Agreement and references to "the Agreement" shall be deemed to include the Appendices and the Letters.

For the purposes of wage classifications CEDO and AECB Operator shall be the same.

- (a) **A certified exposure device operator (CEDO)** shall not be permitted to perform radiography without supervision of either a RT Technician I or II at the work location unless he is being paid at the Level I RT rate. Where the employer has a Level I or Level II RT supervisor at the work location not operating an exposure device, a maximum of 4 CEDO's shall be permitted to perform radiography without any change in pay. If additional RT crews are added, one of these RT crews must have a Level I or II RT technician or one of the employers appointed CEDO's must be paid at the Level I RT rate. If the supervisor becomes an exposure device operator or leaves the work location for purposes other than scheduled meal breaks, then one CEDO on each RT crew must be paid at the Level I RT rate for the period of time that the work location is unsupervised.

Off site supervisors, Level I or II technicians will not satisfy the intent of the clause.

10.02 Unchargeable Time will apply to the following:

- Building and grounds maintenance.
- Shop calibration and shop servicing of NDT equipment and vehicles.
- Deliveries of employer's equipment and supplies other than mobilization and demobilization.
- Company required training for the following:
  - First aid, emergency and standard.
  - Transportation of Dangerous Goods, WHMIS, Confined Space, Fall Arrest, H2S Alive, Radiation Safety, Corporate Safety, Trenching, Construction Safety (CSTS) Alberta.

In order to qualify for payment for time spent in training, members must have worked for the signatory contractor for a minimum of 500 earned hours, within the previous six months and have been on the contractor's payroll within the previous ninety (90) days.

Time paid will be at unchargeable straight time rate for actual course time only. Time will be paid if safety training is done while in the employ of the current signatory contractor.

Required safety training must be stipulated by the employer.

Safety Training/Orientation on-site as part of a project/shutdown will be paid at the applicable rate.

No payment will be required for non-members.

Hours worked on unchargeable time will count for all benefits, in the same manner as chargeable time, as defined under Article 1.01.

If the employer requires training to be taken on a Saturday or Sunday, the employee will be paid at one and a half time (1.5x) the unchargeable rate. If the employer requires training to be taken on recognized holidays, the employee will be paid at two times (2x) the unchargeable rate.

All voluntary or online computer based training will always be paid at unchargeable straight time rate. Employees may refuse to attend training on Saturdays, Sundays or Recognized Holidays.

## **ARTICLE 11 REPORTING FOR WORK – SEE APPENDIX FOR EACH REGION**

### **Recall 11.03**

Employees who have completed the day's scheduled hours of work and left the job site to return home or to camp and who return to work upon request, shall be compensated as follows:

- (a) Employees for whom no work is available when he arrives at the site shall be paid for four (4) hours at the applicable rate including any travel and transportation applicable.
- (b) Employees who are called in and commence work shall be paid for a minimum of four (4) hours at the applicable rate including any travel and transportation applicable.

When an employee works more than the four (4) hours, the employee shall receive remuneration for the hours actually worked at the applicable rates including any travel or transportation applicable.

In the event that an Employee, who works in response to a call out does not get an eight (8) hour break, prior to the commencement of their regular work day, the Employee(s) shall be allowed an eight (8) hour rest break or the employee's applicable overtime rate shall continue.

- (c) An employee who is recalled to work on the same calendar day will receive overtime after eight and one-half (8½) hours, including a one-half (½) hour lunch break, from the start of the initial shift, except in Central and Atlantic Region for such normal shifts commencing at or between the hours of 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM, overtime will apply for all hours worked beyond 6:30 PM.

## **ARTICLE 12 RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS**

See Appendices for listing of recognized holidays.

- 12.01 If any of the holidays fall on other than a working day then the holiday will be observed on what would otherwise be the preceding or following working day subject to the customer's requirements. A maximum of 32 straight time (ST) hours (30 ST hours as per Article 6 "Compressed Work Week") will be paid in any week when a recognized holiday falls.

## **ARTICLE 13 VACATION PAY**

See Appendices.

## **ARTICLE 14 PAY DAY**

- 14.01 Employees will be paid weekly. Such pay shall be in the form of cash or negotiable payroll cheque, or by electronic banking. Payment or detailed statement to take place on Thursday prior to the end of the shift. Cheque stubs will contain information which will enable employees to determine their eligibility for the medical and H&W plans. Records of pension remittances, made on behalf of each employee, will be provided at least once per month or more frequently with payroll information. When changes are made to timesheets, notice of explanations will be included with the pay stub showing what changes have been made and a contact name for clarification. Verbal notice will be attempted before a payroll cheque is issued.
- 14.02 When employees are laid off or discharged, they shall be paid all wages due, including holiday and vacation pay in cash or negotiable payroll cheque or electronic banking on the next payroll date. If payroll cheques are the option, such cheques shall be mailed within two (2) business days after receipt of the employee's timesheet(s) and company owned equipment at the Employer's payroll office. Should the Employer fail to comply with this provision, the employee shall receive an additional sum equivalent to eight (8) hours' pay at straight time rates for each day he is kept waiting, up to a maximum of forty (40) hours. On projects where there are twenty (20) or more employees after layoff and before leaving the job site, the employee and company supervisor will review each employee's timesheet(s) and agree on the hours to be paid and a signed copy will be given to the employee before leaving the site.

14.03 Records of employment will be issued in accordance with applicable legislation. Notice of layoff will be sent to the Regional Representative of the QCCC.

## **ARTICLE 15     INDUSTRY AND TRAINING FEES**

15.01 The employer shall contribute twenty-five cents (25¢) per hour worked into a NDT Industry Training and Upgrading Fund which shall be a trusteed fund with an equal number of trustees appointed by the NDTMA and appointed by the Council.

The fund shall be responsible for the payment of the following for NDT employees:

- i)     Renewal fees.
- ii)    CGSB Application and Examination Fees and CWB Certification Fees.
- iii)   CEDO Application and Examination Fees.
- iv)    Training and upgrading to qualify for the CGSB, CEDO and CWB examinations.
- v)     or any other expense approved by the Trustees as set out in the Trust Agreement.

The employee does not need the approval of the employer in order to qualify for any of the above, but must apply to and receive approval from the Fund trustees in advance.

It is agreed that at some future date the Trustees may recommend an increase or a decrease in the contribution rate to cover changes in costs or need covered by this Trust Fund. Should this occur the employer agrees to adjust the rate accordingly.

15.02 Where the Employer requires the employee to take a CGSB test the Employer will pay the employee's reasonable expenses in connection therewith and will reimburse the employee for the straight time wages necessarily lost in order to write the test.

## **ARTICLE 16     HEALTH AND BENEFITS, AND PENSION                   [PACIFIC REGION – SEE APPENDIX “E”]**

16.01 All employees, probationary and regular, will be covered by the NDT Industry Health and Welfare Plan. An employee's benefits will be determined as below and will be subject to the conditions of the Plan. The Employer shall pay one hundred percent (100%) of the premiums.



A detailed description of the coverage and eligibility of the NDT Industry Health & Welfare Plan is available in the policy booklet supplied by the Administrator of the Plan. This should be referenced when determining the benefits of the plan.

**Full Plan Benefits will include the following:**

- Life Insurance
- Accidental Death and Dismemberment
- Provincial Health Care Premium
- Extended Health Care
- Vision Care Weekly Indemnity
- Dental Plans
- Long Term Disability - Premiums are paid by employee.

**Premium Terms:**

- (a) Remissions for health and welfare shall be made on the same form as other remissions, and all employees shall be covered by either the Mini Plan or the Full Plan and shall be paid in one (1) cheque.
- (b) **Full Plan:** A QCCC member who has earned ninety (90) hours' pay in a month (120 hours' pay for initial month's coverage) will be included in the full plan for the month, which shall include the month's provincial medical care plan premium, if any.

The Plan shall continue the dental, vision care, and major medical benefits to the surviving spouse of any employee who has been enrolled on the full plan whose estate is entitled to a death benefit under the plan for one (1) year from the death.

- (c) Mini Plan: Any employee who is not covered by the full plan for the month will be covered under the Life Insurance + Accidental Death + Dismemberment benefit for that month.
- (d) A QCCC member who has earned fewer than ninety (90) hours pay in a month with any one (1) employer, but ninety (90) hours or more with two (2) or more employers and who advised the Plan Administrator will be included in the Full Plan.
- (e) Post Retirement Health Plan

All employers shall deduct from the payroll of all employees and shall remit \$0.25 per earned hour, to the "National Post Retirement Health Benefit Plan". This will be included in the monthly employer's remittance and submitted to the administrator. This does not increase the Employer's obligation.

## Lay Off Coverage

- (f) Lay off coverage shall be provided by the Plan to any member who is on the Full Plan at time of layoff and who has earned at least 350 pension contribution hours.
  - (g) Eligibility: A member shall receive one (1) months lay off coverage for each 350 hours earned up to a maximum of six (6) months of coverage. Provided they are available for work under this agreement.
  - (h) If a member has been on the layoff coverage or on self-pay and returns to work for a signatory Employer, he can qualify for full plan coverage upon completion of ninety (90) hours earned.
  - (i) If a member who is on the foregoing layoff coverage works for a non-signatory employer while on such coverage, the member will be obligated to repay premiums to the plan, for their layoff coverage, before being eligible for rehire by a signatory employer.
  - (j) A detailed description of the coverage and eligibility of the NDT Industry Health & Welfare Plan is available in the policy booklet supplied by the Administrator of the Plan (D. A. Townley & Associates).
- 16.02 The NDTMA, through the Plan Administrator will supply to the QCCC a list of those Employers who are delinquent in their monthly payments to the Plan. The QCCC will provide to the Administrator a list of all signatory employers and the Administrator will advise the QCCC which companies are not enrolled in the Plan.
- 16.03 The Employer hereby authorizes the Plan Administrator to forward monthly to the QCCC a copy of the monthly invoice to each Employer showing the name and amount payable in respect of each employee; and to report monthly to the QCCC the list of employees covered by the Plan.
- 16.04 (a) If it is proven that an employee has received an overdose of ionizing radiation and if he is not eligible for Workers' Compensation he shall be entitled to Weekly Indemnity Benefits under this Agreement provided he is unable to perform other work covered by the Agreement.
- (b) An employee who has received an overdose of ionizing radiation will become eligible to apply for weekly indemnity until such time as he receives Workers' Compensation benefits. Employees that receive WCB benefits under this provision will assign these benefits to the Health and Welfare plan to repay any weekly indemnity benefits received.
- 16.05 The Health and Welfare plan shall be administered by four trustees appointed by NDT Management Association and four (4) trustees appointed by the QCCC.

16.06 **Pension** — See Appendices.

16.07 New hire trainees (effective May 1, 2012) will only be eligible for pension contributions after working five hundred (500) hours. The five hundred hours (500) referred to above is accumulated time worked under this agreement. The above does not apply to any new employees with certification that are recognized by this agreement. This does not apply to trainees currently receiving pension contributions. All other benefits are payable.

#### 16.08 EMPLOYER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

The signatory contractors to this agreement hereby apply to the Board of Trustees of the NDT Industry Pension Trust Fund (“The Board of Trustees”) for approval of the undersigned for participation in the NDT Industry Pension Trust Fund (“The Plan”).

The signatory contractors under take and agree to be bound by all of the terms and provisions of the Agreement and Declaration of Trust dated the 15<sup>th</sup> of September 1983, as amended from time to time under and pursuant to which the Plan is constituted, and to perform and discharge promptly all of the obligations therein imposed upon employers.

The signatories to this agreement further agree that this provision shall constitute a binding agreement between the signatory contractors and the Board of Trustees and each of their successors, respectively.

### ARTICLE 17 GENERAL PROVISIONS

17.01 The Employer will provide all tools and equipment for the performance of work.

17.02 The Employer shall provide employees with protective clothing such as coveralls and gloves on dirty or corrosive work, in which the employee's clothes may be abnormally or permanently damaged, and rain gear when the employee is required to work in wet, inclement weather; these must be a proper size and fit. Such protective clothing including fire retardant outerwear and rainwear shall remain the property of the Employer. If a client has specific site requirements for unique safety footwear it will be supplied at no cost to the member.

Coveralls shall be cleaned as required.

17.03 The Employer will provide, at no cost to the employee, all safety equipment as required under the applicable government accident prevention regulations; including a radiation warning device with an audible warning alarm; but shall not include safety shoes except for underground work. Such equipment shall remain the property of the Employer.

- 17.04 Each employer is responsible for the health and safety program for their workers. Every supervisor is responsible for the proper instruction of workers under the supervisor's direction and control and for ensuring their work is performed without undue risk. In an effort to ensure that safe working conditions are observed and where conditions warrant and especially when work is being carried out in a confined space, the employer will ensure that the employees shall have proper assistance or vigilance from other persons who will act as a safety watch outside the area whenever any workers are inside the confined space. In order to satisfy the requirements of confined space entry procedures, all safety watch persons shall be properly trained and familiar with the tools and equipment, understand the hazards of the space and of the materials used in the nondestructive testing industry. All persons so designated shall be members of the QCCC.
- 17.05 The Employer will comply with the safety conditions of the radioisotope licences issued by the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission or successor.
- 17.06 Mobile dark rooms will be adequately ventilated. The mobile dark room shall be fitted with an air conditioner during hot weather where 110V A.C. is available on mainline pipelines over sixteen inches (16") in diameter and on long term projects.
- 17.07 When the employee is staying in a camp and is requested by the employer to move to a different camp for any reason, the employee shall be paid a minimum of two (2) hours' pay at their applicable straight time unchargeable rate, not to be used for overtime calculations on the following shift or to accrue extra meal allowances.

## ARTICLE 18 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE AND ARBITRATION

- 18.01 It is the spirit and intent of this Agreement to adjust grievances promptly. All grievances shall be presented in writing within fifteen (15) days from the date there is evidence of a violation having occurred. The procedure for the adjustment of a grievance shall be as follows.
- 18.02 **Step No. 1:** Between the aggrieved employee and/or his steward and the Employer's representative. If no settlement satisfactory to the griever is achieved within four (4) days the grievance must be pursued within the following ten (10) days.
- 18.03 **Step No. 2:** Between the aggrieved employee, his steward and the local Union representative or designate, and the Employer's representative. At this stage the grievance must be submitted in writing, provided that a reference in the grievance to any section of the Agreement shall not preclude argument based on any other section of the Agreement. If no settlement satisfactory to the griever is achieved within four (4) days, the grievance must be pursued within the following ten (10) days.
- 18.04 **Step No. 3:** Between a designated Council Representative and an official of the Employer. If no settlement satisfactory to the employee concerned is achieved within four (4) days of the commencement of Step No. 1 or Step No. 2 the grievance must be pursued at the next step within the following ten (10) days.
- 18.05 **Step No. 4:** If any dispute or grievance concerning the interpretation, application or violation of this Agreement cannot be settled through the procedure described above within ten (10) working days, the matter may be submitted by the Council or the Employer for adjudication to an Arbitrator. At any time within ten (10) days following the completion of Step No. 3. a copy of the grievance and the referral to arbitration shall be sent via fax to the NDTMA Directors for the region at the time of the referral. Failure to do so shall give the NDTMA a right to adjournment of the hearings.

The Arbitrator when selected or appointed, will proceed as soon as practicable, to examine the dispute or grievance and render its judgment.

The decision of the Arbitrator or a majority thereof, shall be final and binding and accepted by both parties for the duration of the Agreement.

The Arbitrator shall not be authorized to make any decisions inconsistent with the provisions of the Agreement, nor to alter, modify or amend any part of this Agreement.

In arbitration proceedings, the expenses of the Arbitrator shall be shared equally by the parties. Any grievance instituted by the Employer may be referred in writing to the Council within fifteen (15) full days of the occurrence of the circumstances giving rise to the grievance, and the Council shall meet within ten (10) working days thereafter with the Employer to consider the grievance. If final settlement of the grievance is not completed within five (5) working days of such meeting, the grievance may be referred, by either party, to a Board of Arbitration as provided in Article 18.05 at any time within ten (10) calendar days thereafter, but not later.

18.06 Where an Employer is in default on any obligation to the Council or an affiliated Union, the council or the affiliated Union may file a grievance commencing with a meeting between the designated Council representative and an official of the Employer. Failing settlement the grievance may be pursued to arbitration as provided by Article 18.05.

18.07 The QCCC may refer a grievance concerning violation of Article 27.01 to arbitration at any time after the tenth (10th) day of the month following the month in which the remission(s) is (are) due.

18.08 It is agreed that notes taken during negotiations are not admissible evidence in any legal proceedings involving the collective agreement.

## **ARTICLE 19      TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGE**

19.01 There shall be no restrictions or additional conditions imposed against the use of any type of machinery, equipment, tools or methods provided that the Employer will consult with the Union where the introduction of new and substantially different equipment not previously used in the industry will result in the layoff of employees from a job.

## **ARTICLE 20      WORK STOPPAGES**

20.01 When employees covered by this Agreement are working out of the Employer's shop, they shall not be involved in any illegal work stoppages and shall be entitled to continue work notwithstanding such work stoppages. In any case, the Employer shall be entitled to remove its equipment from the job site.

20.02 It shall not be considered a violation of this Agreement for an employee to refuse to cross a picket line. There will be no discrimination for refusal to cross a picket line. In such cases the Council will co-operate with the Employer in seeking the removal of the Employer's equipment from the job site.

20.03 In view of the orderly procedures established by this agreement for the settling of disputes and the handling of grievances, the Council agrees that during the life of this Agreement, there shall be no strike, picketing, slowdown, or

stoppage of work, either complete or partial, and the Employer agrees that there will be no lockout.

## **ARTICLE 21 SAVING CLAUSE**

21.01 If any article or provision of this Agreement shall be declared invalid, inoperative, or unenforceable by any competent authority of the executive, legislative, judicial, or administrative branch of the Federal or any Provincial Government, the Employer and the Council shall suspend the operation of such article or provision during the period of its invalidity and shall negotiate with a view to substituting by mutual consent, in its place and stead, an article or provision which will meet the objections to its invalidity and which will be in accord with the intent and purpose of the article or the provision in question.

If any article or provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid, inoperative, or unenforceable by operation of law, jurisdiction, the remainder of this Agreement or the application of such article or provision to persons or circumstances other than those to which it has been held invalid, inoperative or unenforceable shall not be affected thereby.

## **ARTICLE 22 MANAGEMENT RIGHTS**

22.01 The Council recognizes and acknowledges that the management of the business and the direction of the working force are fixed exclusively in the Employer and without restricting the generality of the foregoing, the Council acknowledges that it is the exclusive function of the Employer to:

- (a) maintain order and efficiency;
- (b) hire, promote, demote, geographically transfer, discipline or discharge any employee for just cause provided that a claim by an employee who has completed his probationary period that he has been discharged or disciplined without just cause may be the subject of a grievance and dealt with as provided in this Agreement;
- (c) make and enforce and alter from time to time rules and regulations (provided they are not in conflict with the terms of this Agreement) to be observed by the employees;
- (d) determine the kinds and locations of shops and jobs, equipment and materials to be used, the control of equipment and materials, the methods and techniques of work, the content of jobs, schedules of production, the number of employees to be employed, the extension, limitation or termination of business or any part thereof.

22.02 The Employer agrees that the foregoing management rights will not be exercised contrary to the express provisions of this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 23    BEREAVEMENT LEAVE**

23.01 In the event of the death of a member of an employee's immediate family, the employee will be allowed to take time off without loss of pay to a maximum of three (3) days for sister, brother, mother in law, father in law, son in law, daughter in law, grandparents and grandchildren, five (5) days for spouse or common law spouse, parents and dependent children, for the purpose of attending the funeral. Pay shall be eight (8) hours per day at the employee's chargeable straight time day shift rate provided the employee was scheduled for work.

### 23.02 Jury Duty

If an employee is summoned or subpoenaed for jury duty selection, the employer shall grant the employee leave-of-absence with pay up to a maximum of one (1) month. The rate of pay shall be the difference between his regular pay at the non-chargeable rate and the monies received for jury duty. This shall apply to any employee covered by this Agreement who is employed at the time of the employee's receipt of a call for jury duty.

## **ARTICLE 24    PIPELINE WORK**

24.01 In the event that the collective agreement between the Pipeline Contractors' Association and the United Association is amended with respect to Articles 7.03, 9.07, 9.08 and Appendix "A", this Agreement shall be amended accordingly provided that the changed provisions shall not exceed the provisions of this Agreement for other kinds of work, and provided that changed provisions shall take effect only from the date of receipt by the NDT Management Association Secretary of the notice of change.

**[Central Region – See Appendix C]**

## **ARTICLE 25    ADMINISTRATION FUND**

25.01 Each Employer shall contribute an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the gross employee earnings each month to the NDT Administration Fund. Contributions shall be remitted to the QCCC not later than the 20th of the following month and there shall be a ten percent (10%) assessment as liquidated damages and not as a penalty for remissions made more than three (3) days late.

25.02 The contributions so remitted shall be divided equally between the QCCC and the NDT Management Association to defray the costs of those organizations in negotiating and administering the Agreement and furthering the industry. The QCCC shall remit one-half (½) of the contributions to the Treasurer of the NDT Management Association not later than the 15th day of the month following.



25.03 The Employer contributions together with assessments, if any, may and shall be enforced by the way of grievance by the Council, the cost of which shall be borne equally by the parties. In the event of the Council's failure to enforce this obligation or failure to remit to the Association the obligations on the Council shall be enforceable by grievance by any signatory Employer in the right of the Association or by the Association in its own right in the same manner as if it were an Employer signatory to this Agreement. In the event of such a claim the grievor shall have the right to audit the accounts, receipts and remissions of the Council with respect to the Employer contributions.

## **ARTICLE 26     AUDIT**

26.01 Prior to the request for an audit, the Council or the Trustees will state in writing the grounds and nature of the proposed audit. Where the Council or Trustees have grounds to believe that proper payments have not been made under this Agreement, they shall have the right to inspect the Employer's records, and the employer shall grant access for same. Where the employer has denied access and a violation has been determined at arbitration, the employer shall pay the audit and arbitration costs.

## **ARTICLE 27     ENFORCEMENT**

27.01 All remittances required by this Agreement including dues, administration funds, health and welfare contributions, training funds and pension contributions shall be remitted not later than the 20th day of the month following the month in which the deductions were made or contributions were earned. Such remittances will be in accordance with the minimum contribution requirement of Article 1.01.

27.02 There shall be a ten percent (10%) assessment as liquidated damages and not as a penalty for remittances not received within three (3) days after the 20th of the month following the month in which the deductions were made or the contributions were earned.

27.03 Audit, administration, collection and arbitration costs authorized by the Trustees appointed under Article 16.05 shall be paid by the employer when the proper remittances referred to above are not paid. The maximum amount of such costs payable by the employer shall be three times the amounts listed in Articles 27.01 and 27.02 which are determined to be due.

27.04 All employers shall, prior to signing this Agreement, post with the Administrator and maintain a \$5,000 bond or irrevocable letter of credit or a cash deposit in a form agreed between the NDTMA and QCCC which shall be forfeited to a maximum of the amount due including liquidated damages, audit, collection, administration and arbitration costs in the case of late payment or non-payment of the remittances required by this agreement. The bond or letter of credit or cash deposit, as the case may be, shall be forfeited within one (1) week of the

date that the Trustees find the employer in default under Article 27.01 and 27.02 unless the default is paid in full.

The bond or letter of credit or cash deposit, as the case may be, shall be returned to the employer after two years if the employer has made all remittances required under Article 27.01 within the time limits provided in Article 27.02. The employer shall be required to reinstate such security if remittances required under 27.01 within the time limits provided in Article 27.02, are late for any two (2) occurrences, within any twelve (12) month period, following the return of the security.

Failure to reinstate such security within seven (7) days of any default under Article 27.01 and 27.02 shall be grievable and the full costs of any arbitration to enforce such reinstatement of the grievance if successful, be paid by the employer.

## **ARTICLE 28 ENABLING AGREEMENT**

28.01 Where a particular article or articles of the NDT Collective Agreement is or are found to work a hardship for a particular project or work or specific geographical area the terms and conditions of the Agreement may be modified by mutual consent of the QCCC and the NDTMA when they deem it prudent.

## **ARTICLE 29 DURATION**

29.01 This Agreement shall remain in force from May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2015 and shall continue in force from year to year thereafter unless in any year not more than one hundred and eighty (180) days, and not less than thirty (30) days, before the date of its termination, either party shall furnish the other with notice of termination of, or proposed revision of, this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 30 APPENDICES, LETTERS OF UNDERSTANDING AND INTERPRETATION**

The following Appendices are attached hereto and form a part hereof:

Appendix "A"	–	Northern Work
Appendix "B"	–	Atlantic Region
Appendix "C"	–	Central Region
Appendix "D"	–	Prairie Region
Appendix "E"	–	Pacific Region
Appendix "F"	–	Pipeline Agreement
Appendix "G"	–	Quebec Region

The following Letters of Understanding form part of this agreement.

- Letter of Understanding #1 – National – Practical Mentoring
- Letter of Understanding #2 – Atlantic Region – Heat Treating
- Letter of Understanding #3 – Atlantic Region – Offshore Work
- Letter of Interpretation #A – Atlantic Region – Meals
- Letter of Understanding #4 – Province of Ontario – Heat Treating
- Letter of Understanding #5 – Central Region – OHP Premium Tax
- Letter of Interpretation #B – Central Region – Meals
- Letter of Understanding #6 – Prairie Region – Heat Treating
- Letter of Interpretation C – Prairie Region – Meals
- Letter of Understanding #7 – Pacific Region – Travel Enabling Clause
- Letter of Understanding #8 – Pacific Region – RAT Rates

The following Letters are attached hereto and form a part hereof:

- Letter of Interpretation – Central Region - LOA - Meals
- Letter of Interpretation – Prairie Region - LOA - Meals

Negotiated at St. John's, Halifax, Toronto, Montreal, Edmonton and Vancouver and subsequently ratified by all parties.

**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #1 – PRACTICAL MENTORING**

**Between**

**Quality Control Council of Canada**

**-and-**

**NDT Management Association**

The parties agree that some technicians may require additional on the job training in order to have confidence and proficiency as a level II or in advanced specialty methods of inspection.

In an effort to make that additional training available to the Technicians the parties agree to implement a “Voluntary Mentoring Program”. All technicians will be provided fair and reasonable access to the mentoring program.

Technicians interested in improving their advanced practical skills may request that their employer provide them with additional training through the mentoring program. Technician must sign “Mentoring Agreement” recording, the inspection method, the individuals CGSB qualifications, the length of the training period and the rate of pay. A copy of the agreement must be provided to the QCCC regional office for authorization and registration.

Technicians registered in the Mentoring program participating in on the job training must be under the constant and immediate supervision of the designated Mentor to which they have been assigned.

No mentor may train more than one technician at a time.

The technician will receive 80% of the rate to which the employee would otherwise be entitled for the time spent in the registered mentoring program.

This voluntary program can be cancelled upon either party providing 30 day written notice.

For the QCCC

For the NDTMA

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**NDT MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION**

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International Brotherhood of Boilermaker, Iron and  
Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers  
Lodge 203

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Ray Flaherty

United Association of Journeyman and Apprentices of  
the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United  
States and Canada, Local 740

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Jim Meyers

Boilermakers Lodge 73

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Derrick Carey

United Association Local 325

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Bruce Myles

Boilermakers Lodge 271

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Michel Trépanier

United Association Local 144

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Gerard Cyr

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Terry Snooks

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Heiko Wiechern

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Emile Gareau

United Association Local 488

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Larry Matychuk

Boilermakers Lodge 146

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Arnie Stadnick

United Association Local 496

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Ken Jones

United Association Local 179

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## APPENDIX "A" -- REQUIREMENTS FOR NORTHERN WORK

### A.01 PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

- (a) Each employee engaged for pipeline construction which is located north of 60 degrees latitude and whose employment will be during the time periods indicated below must have in his possession, prior to departure for the job, the following items of cold weather clothing in addition to his basic work clothing:

#### Cold Weather Clothing:

Between 60 degrees and 66 degrees 23 minutes latitude – October 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>.

North of 66 degrees, 23 minutes latitude – August 15<sup>th</sup> to June 15<sup>th</sup>.

JACKET – Parka of quality brand\*, complete with hood.

COVERALLS – Dacron 88 or similar material fully insulated.

MITTS – Leather or similar material with two (2) pair of wool liners.

FOOTWEAR – Insulated boot (flight or snowmobile type).

HEADGEAR – Heavy cap with ear flaps.

\*North Slope, Pioneer, Woods or the equivalent.

#### Recommended Basic Work Clothing:

UNDERWEAR – Thermal type wool or flannel union suit.

SHIRTS – Wool or flannel, full sleeve.

PANTS – Heavy denim or similar.

SWEATER – Heavy wool pullover.

SOCKS – Medium weight wool.

- (a) The Employer shall, if required by the employee, provide the employee with an advance by voucher or otherwise not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00) to assist him in purchasing the required cold weather clothing, such advance to be deducted from the employee's pay in the event that the employee does not remain on the job until job completion or layoff.



- (b) The Union will assist the Employer in every way possible to recover from any of its member's advances for the purchase of cold weather clothing which may not be recovered from the employee's pay.
- (c) Each employee shall be credited, for each week of employment during the time periods herein above specified, with an amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per week up to a maximum of ten (10) weeks (\$500.00) to assist in defraying the cost of purchasing and/or replacing cold weather clothing. Any amount so credited, less any amount advanced by the Employer, shall be paid to the employee upon layoff or termination due to bona fide illness or substantiated compassionate reasons. Any employee who remains on the job beyond ten (10) weeks and until job completion shall be reimbursed a total of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for cold weather clothing (less any amount advanced).

Employer reserves the right to supply outerwear "Cold Weather Clothing" of a proper size and fit in lieu of payments under Appendix "A" A.01 (d).

- (d) The Union will, when requested by the employer, provide evidence to substantiate compassionate reasons for which any employee may terminate his employment.

## **A.02 TRANSPORTATION**

- (a) The Employer shall designate a staging area to which all employees shall report for employment documentation and transportation to the job site.
- (b) Each employee shall be entitled to travel expense to and from the staging area in accordance with the provisions of Article IX.
- (c) Each employee engaged by the Employer at the staging area shall be placed on the payroll and provided by the Employer with transportation from the staging area to the job site and, following termination of employment, from the job site to the staging area, at no cost to the employee.
- (d) The Employer shall make arrangements for delivery from the staging area to the job site and return, of the employee's personal effects, up to a maximum of seventy-five (75) pounds in weight, together with any tools which the Employer may require the employee to supply.

**A.03 EMPLOYMENT CONTINUATION INCENTIVE**

- (e) Each employee shall accrue to his credit, for each week of seven (7) consecutive days of employment up to a maximum period of sixteen (16) weeks, an employment continuation incentive in the following amounts:

<b>PROJECT WAREHOUSE OR CAMP LOCATION</b>	<b>PER WEEK</b>
(i) Between 60 degrees 0 minutes and 62 degrees 30 minutes latitude	\$35.00
(ii) Between 62 degrees 30 minutes and 66 degrees 23 minutes latitude	\$60.00
(iii) North of 66 degrees 23 minutes latitude	\$75.00

- (f) Each employee who remains on the project from commencement of employment until job completion or layoff due to shortage of work shall be entitled to receive the employment continuation incentive which has accrued to his credit upon termination of employment.
- (g) Any employee who terminates due to bona fide illness or authentic compassionate reasons shall be entitled to the incentive which has accrued to his credit, provided that the Employer shall have the right to require substantiation of such illness or compassionate reasons from the employee or the Union.
- (h) Any employee who, after eight (8) weeks of employment, is discharged for cause shall be entitled to fifty percent (50%) of the incentive which has accrued to his credit.

**A.04 WEEKLY GUARANTEE**

- (i) The Employer shall guarantee to each employee from date of departure from the staging area to date of return to the staging area, both days inclusive, not less than the equivalent of forty (40) hours pay at the employee's regular straight time hourly rate for each week of seven (7)

consecutive days, provided that the employee is available for work, except for reasons of illness or emergency.

**A.05 GENERAL**

- (j) The Employer shall insure the personal effects of each employee against loss by fire in an amount not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00).
- (k) The possession of firearms and/or ammunition on the Employer's premises shall be prohibited and any violation of this provision by an employee shall be cause for instant dismissal.

## **APPENDIX "B" -- ATLANTIC REGION**

The following conditions shall apply to work performed in the Provinces of Newfoundland and Labrador, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

The following modifications to the collective agreement apply to the Province of Newfoundland. References in the collective agreement and Appendix "B" to the "QCCC member" are deemed to include employees under this agreement represented by the Newfoundland Unions.

With respect to work undertaken within the Commercial and Industrial sector of the Construction Industry in the Province of Nova Scotia, the Quality Control Agreement has been signed by the Construction Management Bureau Limited, as the employers' accredited bargaining agent under Part II of the Nova Scotia Trade Union Act.

### **ARTICLE II - SCOPE**

#### **2.01 Scope Addition to that in the National Agreement Article 2.00**

CWB Inspectors performing visual inspection of welds onsite as part of construction, revamp work, or scheduled maintenance shutdown covered by an on-site building trades agreement, shall be performed by employees covered by this agreement and shall include but not be limited to all metal fabrications, piping and fibreglass fabrications.

### **ARTICLE III - UNION SECURITY**

#### **3.02 New Employees – See National**

### **ARTICLE VI - WORK DAY & WORK WEEK**

**6.01** The normal work week shall be forty (40) hours; however, this shall not be construed as a guarantee of hours of work per day or per week, or of days of work per week, except as provided for in Article XI or Standby Time.

**6.02** Overtime rates shall apply for all work performed beyond eight (8) hours in any normal shift and there shall be a ten (10) minute coffee break at the commencement of overtime.

**6.03** The normal shifts shall be as follows:

- (a) A normal shift will be any shift commencing at/or between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. as required. There will be a thirty (30) minute unpaid lunch break for each shift and a ten (10) minute paid coffee break for each four (4) hours worked. For normal shifts commencing at or between the

hours of 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., overtime will apply to all hours worked beyond 6:30 p.m.

- (b) A Shift Premium of fifteen percent (15%) of the employee's straight time base rate will be added to the employee's wages for all hours worked on any shift commencing at times other than described above.
- (c) A shift commencing at 10:00 p.m. or later on a given day will be considered to have started on the following day.
- (d) On work performed on-site as part of new construction or revamp work or a scheduled maintenance shutdown covered by an on-site building trades agreement, where an employee is required to work on one (1) shift for more than five (5) days, if the employees shift is changed from one shift to another shift, with less than twenty four (24) hours notice, he shall be paid the applicable overtime rate for the first shift worked on the new schedule.

#### Scenario #1 (normal shift)

A member normally reports for work at 0800. For the purposes of this scenario, he is on 10 hour shifts and is being paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime.

- a) The member is asked to report to work at 0630. This is considered to be an early start within his normal shift, and no additional overtime is applied. If he works ten hours, he is paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime.
- b) The member is asked to report to work at 0500. This is considered to be a shift change. If 24 hours notice has not been given, he will be paid overtime for all hours of this shift + the applicable shift premium as per 6.03 (a).

#### Scenario #2 (second shift)

A member normally reports for work at 1700 (5 PM). For the purposes of this scenario, he is on 10 hour shifts and is being paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime + shift premium.

- a) The member is asked to report to work at 1500 (3 PM). This is considered to be an early start within his normal shift, and no additional overtime is applied. If he works ten hours, he is paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime + shift premium.
- b) The member is asked to report to work at 12 noon. This is considered to be a shift change. If 24 hours notice has not been given, he will be paid overtime for all hours of this shift.

Flexible Work Week – See National

## ARTICLE VII - OVERTIME

**7.01** (a) Overtime work performed shall be paid for under the following provisions:

**Monday through Friday** – Time and one-half (1.5x) shall be paid for the first two (2) hours with double (2x) time thereafter before the addition of shift differential where applicable.

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Employees moved from contract maintenance to the shutdown shall receive double time (2x) for all overtime for the duration of the shutdown period.

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**7.04** a) When an employee works more than ten (10) hours, a free meal (hot when possible) and beverage will be provided by the Employer immediately after the conclusion of ten (10) hours, and at each four (4) hour interval

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### **9.02 Call Out Travel**

When an employee is required to report for work to a job away from the Employer's shop and the job is located in an area where the employee can commute daily between his normal place of residence and the job, he shall be paid his applicable rate of pay for the time spent in commuting. In all such cases, the time spent in travelling shall be measured as follows:

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- (b) **Daily Travel** – he shall travel to and from the assigned living accommodation on the Employer's time.
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The on-site offices or trailers shall not be considered as the Employer's shop except for jobs where employees are being paid living expenses according to Article 9.08 or 9.09.

**9.08** Room, board and travel expenses for an employee who cannot reasonably return daily to his normal place of residence shall be paid as follows:

(a) Where camp accommodation is provided, no subsistence allowance will be paid to any employee.

(b) Where no camp accommodation is available, the Employer shall provide room and board as follows:

(i) in a customarily acceptable hotel or commercial lodging; or condominiums or supplied room which must be in good repair and meet the reasonable satisfaction of the employee. Employees shall be responsible for damage. Members cannot move in and out unless there is significant or material change to living conditions. Meal allowance must be provided when the condominiums or other supplied accommodations are provided.

(ii) a minimum subsistence allowance will be paid as follows:

May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2015: \$133.00 - \$82.00 per night in hotel plus \$51.00 per working day for meals for the duration of this agreement.

If an employee chooses to stay after the completion of his final night shift he shall be compensated for that stay. Hotel receipt to be provided for the final stay. The employee may elect (ii) instead of (i) provided he makes communication arrangements satisfactory to the Employer and provided that does not increase the Employer's travel time liability.

**9.09** On pipeline projects not covered by APPENDIX "F", Article 9.08 shall apply.

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**9.11** At no time will an employee be required to use his own money to provide his own room and board when working away from his normal place of residence on the direction of the Employer.

**9.12 Travel and Overtime**

Maximum overtime rate for time spent in travel shall be time and one-half (1.5x). Travel time shall not be used for computing double time for article 7.01 of this appendix. The employee shall have the right to refuse to drive after twelve (12) hours in one day.

## ARTICLE X - CLASSIFICATIONS, WAGES & PREMIUMS

### WAGES

#### 10.01 Classifications

"Certificates" shall mean a CGSB Certificate in any of the following:

- Aircraft Structures
- Magnetic Particle (Tech II - M.P.)
- Liquid Penetrant (Tech II - L.P.)
- CWB Certification (Tech II)
- Other Level I or Level II

	<u>May 1, 2012</u>	<u>May 1, 2013</u>	<u>May 1, 2014</u>
<b>Level II Technician</b>			
<i>RT2 UT2 or EC2</i>			
- with 3 Certificates	35.52	36.66	38.00
- with less than 3 Certificates	33.51	34.60	35.88
<b>Level I Technician</b>			
<i>RT1 UT1 or EC1</i>			
- with 2 Certificates	28.58	29.54	30.68
- with less than 2 Certificates	26.83	27.76	28.84
<b>Level II Magnetic Particle and Liquid Penetrant (both)</b>	26.83	27.76	28.84
<b>Trainee</b>			
- with 1 Certificate	21.81	22.60	23.53
- CEDO or Qualified Operator	21.81	22.60	23.53
- with 1500 Earned Hours	16.27	16.92	17.68
- with Less Than 1500 Hours	12.87	13.44	14.09
<b>For QCCC Members only:</b>			
CWB Level III	33.51	34.60	35.88

CWB Level II	26.83	27.76	28.84
CWB Level I	21.81	22.60	23.53

No member shall have a reduction in rate as a result of the implementation of these rates.

**Unchargeable Time** – eighty percent (80%) of the rate to which the employee would otherwise be entitled, except that the unchargeable time rate for Trainee with no certificates shall be the regular rate.

Within each classification (i.e. Level II, Level I, Trainee) when the Employer is laying off from a project it will not lay off employees for the reason that they are over-qualified.

Any employees with less than 1,500 hours will be laid off first on a project-by-project basis (no bumping).

**10.02** National.

**10.03** National.

**10.04 Supervisors - Premium for Record Keeping**

On each project where an employee is assigned the responsibility of directing a crew of six (6) employees or more and keeping records of their hours of work he shall be paid a premium of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per hour worked. Premium is not to be calculated in overtime rates.

- (a) Supervisors are to be appointed by management.
- (b) No minimum or maximum number of technicians is required on a job site to necessitate the appointment.
- (c) "Level II Technicians" are responsible for technical performance on a project. The responsibility to interpret film for other technicians on a site does not necessarily mean that a supervisor's rate applies.

**10.05 Isolation Pay**

Hourly rates of wages for employees covered by this Agreement when employed north of 60 degrees latitude shall be one dollar and seventy five cents (\$1.75) per hour higher than those provided in Article X. Isolation pay to apply to work performed on off-shore oil platforms in their final working position. If the premium for offshore work is increased in both the U.A. and Boilermaker agreements, then the same increase will apply.

**10.06** Left Blank.

**10.07 Certified Exposure Device Operator**

See *National*.

## ARTICLE XI - REPORTING FOR WORK

**11.01** An employee reporting for work at the scheduled starting time, unless notified the previous day not to report, and for whom no work is available shall receive four (4) hours' pay at the applicable rate. If an employee is working on a compressed work week they shall not receive less than five (5) hours pay for the period spent at work. An employee who is only paid four (4) hours' pay for each of three (3) scheduled days may, commencing with the third day, request and be granted a layoff.

(a) 11.01 does not apply to employer work ready training requirements as per National 10.02.

**11.02** An employee reporting for work and commences work and is then sent home by the Employer during his first half shift shall receive not less than four (4) hours' pay for the period spent at work. If an employee is working on a compressed work week they shall not receive less than five (5) hours pay for the period spent at work.

An employee who has completed the first half of his shift and reports for work and commences work on the second half of his shift and is then sent home by the Employer shall receive not less than eight (8) hours' pay for the entire shift. If the employee is working on a compressed work week they shall receive not less than ten (10) hours for the period spent at work. This paragraph does not apply to work in fabrication shops. This paragraph shall apply to work performed as part of construction, revamp work, or scheduled maintenance shutdown covered by an on site building trades agreement as set out in 7.01(b).

## ARTICLE XII - RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS

**12.01** (a) The holidays shall be as follows:

New Year's Day	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday in August	Christmas Day
Good Friday	Labour Day	Boxing Day
Victoria Day	Thanksgiving Day	1 Floater
Canada Day	Remembrance Day	

(b) Payment for such holidays shall be by way of an addition of four percent (4%) of gross earnings paid on each pay cheque.

**12.02** If any of the said holidays falls on other than a working day then the holiday will be celebrated on what would otherwise be the preceding or following working day subject to the customer's requirements. Employees who work on both the preceding and following work days will have one of the days paid at the overtime pay required by Article 7.01.

**12.03** The employees who work on any of the above-noted holidays shall be paid the overtime pay required by Article 7.01.

### **ARTICLE XIII - VACATION PAY**

**13.01** All employees covered by this Agreement shall be entitled to and receive annual vacation pay as follows:

- (a) All employees shall be paid vacation pay at the rate of six percent (6%) of their gross earnings. An employee with more than one (1) year's service with the Employer shall be entitled to a four (4) week vacation annually.
- (b) Accrued vacation pay shall be paid prior to the commencement of the employee's vacation (or, at the written request of the employee, will be paid each pay period), or upon layoff or termination in accordance with Article 14.02.

**13.02** The vacation time shall be taken at a time or times mutually agreed between the employee and the Employer or upon three (3) weeks notice by the employee.

### **ARTICLE XV – INDUSTRY AND TRAINING FEES – SEE NATIONAL**

### **ARTICLE XVI - HEALTH, BENEFITS & PENSION**

#### **16.06 Pension**

The Employer shall make the following contributions to the NDT Industry Pension Fund for each hour earned for the duration of this agreement.

May 1, 2009 - \$5.50

#### **Post Retirement Health Plan**

All employers shall deduct from the payroll of all employees and shall remit \$0.25 per earned hour, to the "National Post Retirement Health Benefit Plan". This will be included in the monthly employer's remittance and submitted to the administrator. This does not increase the Employer's obligation.

**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING # 2 – HEAT TREAT  
(ATLANTIC REGION)**

**Between:**

**Quality Control Council of Canada (QCCC)**

**-and-**

**NDT Management Association**

**-and-**

**Other Contractors Signatory Hereto**

**Re: Heat Treating Industry for the Provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Labrador.**

It is understood and agreed by the parties to this letter, that all work performed by the companies who's signatures are affixed thereto shall be governed by the Quality Control Council agreement and the terms and conditions of the appendix for the above captioned Provinces.

**Wages and Classifications:**

	<u>May 1, 2012</u>	<u>May 1, 2013</u>	<u>May 1, 2014</u>
0 - 1000 hours	17.20	17.88	18.67
1000 - 2500 hours	21.22	22.00	22.91
2500 - 4000 hours	26.84	27.77	28.85
4000 - 6000 hours	28.58	29.54	30.68
Thereafter	35.52	36.66	38.00

**Training:**

The parties further agree that when the trade of Heat Treating Technician is designated and the criterion for certification is in place the parties will meet and amend the agreement accordingly.

**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #3 – OFFSHORE WORK  
(ATLANTIC REGION)**

**Between  
Quality Control Council of Canada (QCCC)  
-and-  
NDT Management Association**

The following agreement will apply to offshore NDT work on operating platforms, performed offshore from the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador until April 30, 2012.

- All shifts worked offshore from 1 to 21 days will be paid at ST for the first twelve (12) hours.
- Overtime will be paid at time and one-half (1.5x) for time worked after twelve (12) hours.
- Travel time will be considered as time worked to a maximum of twelve (12) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period.
- Base rates for offshore work will be paid at twenty-five percent (25%) above the regular rate of pay.

Example:

- ST top rate \$38.00 plus \$9.50 hr. = \$47.50 hr
- OT 1.5 = \$57.00 plus \$9.50 hr. = \$66.50 hr
- Night shift \$38.00 plus \$9.50 + \$2.00 PM shift = \$49.50 hr
- OT Night shift \$57.00 plus \$9.50 plus \$2.00 hr. = \$68.50 hr

If employees are required to remain offshore for more than twenty-one (21) days, an overtime rate of time and one-half (1.5x) will apply for all hours worked, calculated as in the above example.

The general shift conditions and overtime provisions in this agreement will extend for the term of any maintenance agreement entered into by a signatory contractor.

By mutual consent at any time, both parties may revisit this agreement.

Agreed at St. John's, NFLD this 24 day of May 2006.

For the QCCC

For the NDTMA

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**LETTER OF INTERPRETATION A – MEALS  
(ATLANTIC REGION)**

**Between**

**Quality Control Council of Canada  
-and-  
NDT Management Association**

The undersigned parties agree to the following interpretation of Article 9.06(b)(ii) for the Atlantic Provinces.

The subsistence allowance under the circumstances of Article 9.06(b)(ii) shall be one hundred thirty three (\$133.00) effective May 1, 2012, per night spent in a hotel. The subsistence shall cover the costs of both hotel and three (3) meals in a twenty-four (24) hour period of such work/travel plus an allowance for meals reasonably taken in conjunction with such work/travel outside of the twenty-four (24) hour period in a day in which he does not stay in a hotel. Where the total hours worked and traveled after the end of a twenty-four (24) hour period is at least eight (8) actual hours, the meal allowance shall include all three (3) meals. Such allowance shall be in the following amount:

Breakfast     \$14.00

Lunch             \$17.00

Dinner            \$20.00

[As an example, an employee who departs on a six (6) hour drive at noon on Day 1, works on Day 2, stays overnight on Days 1 and 2, works two (2) hours on Day 3 and travels six (6) hours on Day 3 to arrive back at 4:30 p.m. shall receive:]

Day 1 – One hundred thirty three (\$133.00)

Day 2 – One hundred thirty three (\$133.00)

Day 3 – Seventeen dollars (\$17.00) for Lunch

For the QCCC

For the NDTMA

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## **APPENDIX "C" -- CENTRAL REGION**

The following conditions shall apply to work performed in the province of Ontario.

### **ARTICLE II - SCOPE**

#### **2.01 Scope Addition to that in the National Agreement Article 2.00**

CWB Inspectors performing visual inspection of welds onsite as part of construction, revamp work, or scheduled maintenance shutdown covered by an on-site building trades agreement, shall be performed by employees covered by this agreement and shall include but not be limited to all metal fabrications, piping and fibreglass fabrications.

### **ARTICLE III - UNION SECURITY**

#### **3.02 New Employees – See National**

### **ARTICLE VI - WORK DAY & WORK WEEK**

6.01 The normal work week shall be forty (40) hours; however; this shall not be construed as a guarantee of hours of work per day or per week, except as provided for in Article XI or Standby Time.

6.02 Overtime rates shall apply for all work performed beyond eight (8) hours in any normal shift and there shall be a ten (10) minute coffee break at the commencement of overtime.

6.03 The normal shifts shall be as follows:

(a) A normal shift will be any shift commencing at/or between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. as required. There will be a thirty (30) minute unpaid lunch break for each shift and a ten (10) minute paid coffee break for each four (4) hours worked. For such normal shifts commencing at or between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., overtime will apply to all hours worked beyond 6:30 p.m.

(b) A shift premium of fifteen percent (15%) of the employee's straight time base rate will be added to the employee's wages for all hours worked on any shift commencing at times other than described above.

(c) On work performed on site as part of construction, revamp work, or scheduled maintenance shutdown covered by an on-site building trades agreement, where an employee is required to work on one (1) shift for more than five (5) days, if the employee's shift is changed from one shift to

another shift, with less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice he shall be paid at the applicable overtime rate for the first shift worked on the new schedule.

#### Scenario #1 (normal shift)

A member normally reports for work at 0800. For the purposes of this scenario, he is on 10 hour shifts and is being paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime.

- a) The member is asked to report to work at 0630. This is considered to be an early start within his normal shift, and no additional overtime is applied. If he works ten hours, he is paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime.
- b) The member is asked to report to work at 0500. This is considered to be a shift change. If 24 hours notice has not been given, he will be paid overtime for all hours of this shift + the applicable shift premium as per 6.03 (a).

#### Scenario #2 (second shift)

A member normally reports for work at 1700 (5 PM). For the purposes of this scenario, he is on 10 hour shifts and is being paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime + shift premium.

- a) The member is asked to report to work at 1500 (3 PM). This is considered to be an early start within his normal shift, and no additional overtime is applied. If he works ten hours, he is paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime + shift premium.
- b) The member is asked to report to work at 12 noon. This is considered to be a shift change. If 24 hours notice has not been given, he will be paid overtime for all hours of this shift.
- (c) A shift commencing at 10:00 PM or later on a given day will be considered to have started on the following day.

FLEXIBLE WORK WEEK – SEE *NATIONAL*

Saturday and Sunday as per the Collective Agreement.

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applicable. This overtime rate shall be double (2x) time on that work to which Article 7.01(b) applies.

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**Recognized Holidays** – Double (2x) time shall be paid for all hours worked.

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  - o Work on equipment not operating during a scheduled maintenance shutdown, because of the shutdown
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- (b) In all other cases as follows:
  - (i) from the Employer's shop to which he is assigned on hire provided that with respect to a construction project for the purposes of this clause the shop must have been established one (1) year before the job was contracted, or,
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Where the Employer does not have a local shop, the travel time shall be paid from the employee's home.

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When an employee is required to report for work to a job away from the Employer's shop and the job is located in an area where the employee cannot

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- (a) **Move-in and Move-Out** – at the commencement and conclusion of his work on the project, for travelling time from the Employer's shop or agreed point of hire, as the case may be, to a maximum of twelve (12) hours per day on a combination of air and taxi transportation. All travel time shall be considered as time worked and overtime rates shall apply where applicable.
- (b) **Daily Travel** – he shall travel to and from the assigned living accommodation on the Employer's time.

When an employee is moving the employer's vehicle or is being paid mileage allowance to drive his own vehicle to and from a job site the time spent in travel shall be considered as time worked for both the driver and passenger(s).

- c) Notwithstanding the express provisions of Article 9.02 and 9.03 a) and b) travel time shall not be counted for the purpose of computing double time.
- d) Notwithstanding the express provisions of Article 9.02 and 9.03 a) and b) time spent in travel shall be paid as follows:
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  - (ii) Saturday, Sunday and Holidays – all travel time shall be paid at time and one-half (1.5x).
  - (iii) The foregoing shall apply to both driver and passenger(s).
  - (iv) Travel time shall count as time worked for the purpose of Article 7.04 and its Appendix.

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**9.08 Room, board and travel** expenses for an employee who cannot reasonably return daily to his normal place of residence shall be paid as follows:

(a) Camp accommodation, where provided except that the past practice in Ontario will be continued whereby employees may opt out of camp accommodation and receive the subsistence allowance instead.

Except as defined in the following, subsistence allowance shall be paid for waiting time, inclement weather or a Paid Holiday.

An employee shall forfeit subsistence allowance for absenteeism on any working days. When an employee is absent on the working day immediately preceding or following bad weather days or Paid Holidays, he shall forfeit subsistence allowance for such absenteeism and for the bad weather days or Paid Holidays. When Saturday is not a working day and an employee is absent on Friday when work is available, he shall forfeit subsistence allowance for Friday and for Saturday. When Sunday is not a working day and an employee is absent on Monday, when work is available, he shall forfeit subsistence allowance for Sunday and Monday.

The above forfeiture of subsistence allowance shall be waived when the employee's absenteeism on any working day or on Friday and/or Monday, as outlined above, is due to a bona fide illness or absence is due to compassionate grounds satisfactory to the Employer and the Council.

Forfeiture of subsistence allowance may also be waived in other cases if the reason for absenteeism is acceptable to the Employer.

(b) Where no camp accommodation is available, the Employer shall provide room and board as follows (including pipelines):

(i) in a customarily acceptable hotel or commercial lodging; or condominiums or supplied room which must be in good repair and meet the reasonable satisfaction of the employee. Employees shall be responsible for damage. Members cannot move in and out unless there is significant or material change to living conditions. Meal allowance must be provided when the condominiums or other supplied accommodations are provided.



## ARTICLE X - CLASSIFICATIONS, WAGES & PREMIUMS

### WAGES

#### 10.01 Classifications

"Certificates" shall mean a CGSB Certificate in any of the following:

Aircraft Structures  
Magnetic Particle (Tech II – M.P.)  
Liquid Penetrant (Tech II – L.P.)  
CWB Certification (Tech II)  
Other Level I or Level II

	<u>May 1, 2012</u>	<u>May 1, 2013</u>	<u>May 1, 2014</u>
<b>Level II Technician</b>			
<i>RT2 UT2 or EC2</i>			
- with 3 Certificates	40.42	41.43	42.67
- with less than 3 Certificates	38.06	39.01	40.18
<b>Level I Technician</b>			
<i>RT1 UT1 or EC1</i>			
- with 2 Certificates	32.88	33.70	34.71
- with less than 2 Certificates	30.86	31.63	32.58
<b>Level II Magnetic Particle and Liquid Penetrant (both)</b>	30.86	31.63	32.58
<b>Trainee</b>			
- with 1 Certificate or AECB Operator/CEDO	26.05	26.70	27.50
- no Certificates	18.04	18.49	19.04
<b>For QCCC Members only:</b>			
CWB Level III	37.60	38.54	39.69
CWB Level II	30.86	31.63	32.58
CWB Level I	26.05	26.70	27.50

No member shall have a reduction in rate as a result of the implementation of these rates.

**Unchargeable Time Rate** – eighty percent (80%) of the rate to which the employee would otherwise be entitled except that the unchargeable rate for Trainee with no certificates shall be the regular rate.



Certified Exposure Device Operator – see National

Persons performing probing on Eddy Current work shall be classified as Trainees and are within the scope of this Agreement.

"Crawler Technician" is defined as a person who is operating and performing full maintenance on a crawler.

**10.02** National.

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**10.04 Supervisors - Premium for Record Keeping**

On each project where an employee is assigned the responsibility of directing a crew of six (6) employees or more and keeping records of their hours of work he shall be paid a premium of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per hour worked. Premium is not to be calculated in overtime rates.

- (a) Supervisors are to be appointed by management.
- (b) No minimum or maximum numbers of technicians are required on a job site to necessitate the appointment.
- (c) "Level II technicians" are responsible for technical performance on a project in the same manner as previously without being appointed as supervisors. The responsibility to interpret film for other technicians on a site does not necessarily mean that a supervisor's rate applies.

**10.05 Isolation Pay – Moved to National**

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**10.08 Working outside of Canada**

For jobs outside of Canada, the Employer shall provide, to the employee, all terms and conditions of employment. The written agreement shall be signed by both the Employer and the employee. A copy of the agreement shall be provided to the employee. A copy of the agreement shall be provided, upon request, to the QCCC Representative. Any breach, of that written agreement, shall be subject to Article 18 – Grievance Procedure and Arbitration.

**10.09 Working in Radiation Area**

On work contracted from an employer whose employees receive the following premiums, employees working in a radiation area and in plastic suits or replacement material of the fully enveloping type with an independent air supply, will receive the following: May 1, 2006, \$15.00, May 1, 2013, \$16.00, May 1,

2014 \$17.00 per day plus any increase negotiated by the other employer. A day for the purpose of this article shall be defined as any period up to twelve (12) hours.

## **ARTICLE XI - REPORTING FOR WORK**

**11.01** An employee reporting for work at the scheduled starting time, unless notified the previous day not to report, and for whom no work is available, shall receive four (4) hours' pay at the applicable rate. An employee who is only paid four (4) hours' pay for each of three (3) scheduled days may, commencing with the third day, request and be granted a layoff.

(a) 11.01 does not apply to employer work ready training requirements as per National 10.02.

**11.02** An employee who reports for work and commences work and is then sent home by the Employer during the first half of his shift shall receive not less than four (4) hours' pay for the period spent at work. If the employee is working on a compressed work week they shall not receive less than five (5) hours pay for the period spent at work.

An employee who has completed the first half of his shift and reports for work and commences work on the second half of his shift and is then sent home by the Employer shall receive not less than eight (8) hours' pay for the entire shift. If the employee is working on a compressed work week they shall receive no less than ten (10) hours for the period spent at work. This paragraph shall apply to work performed as part of construction, revamp work, or scheduled maintenance shutdown covered by an on site building trades agreement as set out in 7.01(b).

## **ARTICLE XII - RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS**

**12.01** (a) The holidays shall be as follows:

New Year's Day	Canada Day	Remembrance Day
Family Day	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday in August	Christmas Day
Good Friday	Labour Day	Boxing Day
Victoria Day	Thanksgiving Day	

(b) Payment for such holidays shall be by way of an addition of four percent (4%) of gross earnings paid on each pay cheque.

**12.02** If any of the said holidays falls on other than a working day then the holiday will be celebrated on what would otherwise be the preceding or following working day subject to the customer's requirements. Employees who work on both the preceding and following work days will have one of the days paid at the overtime pay required by Article 7.01

**12.03** The employees who work on any of the above-noted holidays shall be paid the overtime pay required by Article 7.01

### **ARTICLE XIII - VACATION PAY**

**13.01** All employees covered by this Agreement shall be entitled to and receive annual vacation pay as follows:

- (a) All employees shall be paid vacation pay at the rate of six percent (6%) of their gross earnings. An employee with more than one (1) year's service with the Employer shall be entitled to a four (4) week vacation annually.
- (b) Accrued vacation pay shall be paid in one lump sum at the commencement of the employee's vacation (or at the written request of the employee, will be paid each pay period for the balance of the current collective agreement), or upon layoff or termination in accordance with 14.02.

**13.02** The vacation time shall be taken at a time or times mutually agreed between the employee and the Employer or upon 3 weeks notice by the employee.

### **ARTICLE XV – TRAINING FEES – SEE NATIONAL**

### **ARTICLE XVI - HEALTH, BENEFITS & PENSION**

#### **16.06 Pension**

The Employer shall make the following contributions to the NDT Industry Pension Fund for each hour earned for the duration of this agreement.

May 1, 2009 \$5.50 per earned hour.

#### **Post Retirement Health Plan**

All employers shall deduct from the payroll of all employees and shall remit \$0.25 per earned hour, to the "National Post Retirement Health Benefit Plan". This will be included in the monthly employer's remittance and submitted to the administrator. This does not increase the Employer's obligation.

## **DeNovo**

Each Contractor working under the terms of this Agreement shall submit four (4) cents for each hour worked to the administrator effective May 1, 2009 for the trust fund who shall distribute these funds as per the joint DeNovo Trust Agreement to be established by the parties to this agreement. Said funds are to be used for the Benefit of QCCC members and association members and their families.

It is understood that the forgoing four (4) cents is comprised of two (2) cents of employer contribution and two (2) cents of employee contribution. The above has been reflected on the current schedule of rates

## **ARTICLE XVII - GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**17.05** The Employer and the employee will comply with safety conditions of the radioisotope licenses issued by the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission.

**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #4 – HEAT TREAT**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE QUALITY CONTROL COUNCIL OF CANADA AND**  
**OTHER SIGNATORY CONTRACTORS HERETO**  
**RE: HEAT TREATING INDUSTRY FOR THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO**

It is understood and agreed by the parties to this letter that all work performed by the company whose signatures are affixed hereto, shall be governed by the terms and conditions of the Quality Control Council Agreement for Canada and regional appendix “C”, Central Region.

<b>Hours</b>	<b>May, 2012</b>	<b>May, 2013</b>	<b>May, 2014</b>
3 Month Probationary Rate	\$18.04	\$18.49	\$19.04
Probationary – 1799 Hrs. (Level I)	\$22.03	\$22.58	\$23.26
1800 - 3599 Hrs. (Level II)	\$26.18	\$26.84	\$27.64
3600 - 5399 Hrs. (Level III)	\$30.33	\$31.09	\$32.02
5400 - 7200 Hrs. (Level IV)	\$34.50	\$35.36	\$36.42
Journeyman	\$40.42	\$41.43	\$42.67
Supervisor	\$43.26	\$44.34	\$45.67

**Classifications:**

Technician Trainees must complete the requisite hours, successfully complete certification training and testing and spend at least one (1) year in each classification before advancing to the next level. All employees are “Red Circled” in their present classification and will not be demoted for lack of hours or training.

**Training:** Technician level training will be as established by the Heat Treatment Training Trustees and administered by the designated training coordinator. The parties agree that every technician will be provided with a fair opportunity to take the training courses and no one will be unfairly held back from wage increases because courses have not been made available, however technicians advancing without completing training will be required to complete that level training as soon as it becomes available and reasonably scheduled by the training coordinator, in order to maintain the level increase.

**Journeyman:** A Journeyman is defined as any person who has been certified as a “Field Heat Treatment Technician” in any Province by the provincial authority having jurisdiction, or has successfully completed the National Training Program requisite training and testing and been approved by the certifying board.

Supervisor: A supervisor is defined as anyone directing a crew of 6 or more persons or as may otherwise be appointed by management.

Record Keeping: It is understood that record keeping is a normal function of a Technician duties and no additional allowances will be paid.

Remote Monitoring Station: Employees assigned to "Remotely Monitor" Field Heat Treatment Equipment for Heat Treat work performed within the scope the agreement will remain in the bargaining unit and be compensated based on their job functions as per the following criteria:

<b>Control Room Monitor level I</b>	Strictly Monitors Equipment	Level I Technician Trainee Rate
<b>Control Room Monitor level II</b>	Monitors and makes adjustments to equipment	Level II Technician Trainee Rate
<b>Control Room Supervisor</b>	Supervises 6 or more employees	Supervisor Rate

A minimum ratio of one (1) Control Room Monitor level II for every two (2) Control Room Monitor level I will be maintained.

**Unchargeable:**

Time Rate: Field Heat Treatment Contractor's may apply Article 10.02 Unchargeable Time provisions; however, in no case will any employee be paid less than the Level I rate.

**15.01 Industry Training Fees and Upgrading**

- (b) The Heat Treatment/ Stress Relief Employer's shall contribute one dollar (\$1.00) per hour worked into the National Heat Treatment Training Fund which shall be a trusted fund with an equal number of trustees appointed by the recognized Management Association and the Council. The trustees of the fund shall determine all training curriculum and/or requirements for employees training and/or certification.

For the QCCC

Lance Yearley

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For the NDTMA

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #5 – OHP PREMIUM TAX  
(CENTRAL REGION)**

**Between**

**Quality Control Council of Canada**

**-and-**

**Other Signatory Contractors Hereto**

For the QCCC

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For the NDTMA

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**LETTER OF INTERPRETATION B– MEALS  
(CENTRAL REGION)**

The undersigned parties agree to the following interpretation of Article 9.08(b)(ii) for the Province of Ontario. Payments made for expenses, prior to July 7, 2009 cannot be adjusted.

Effective May 1,2009, the subsistence allowance under the circumstances of Article 9.08(b)(ii) shall be one hundred forty five dollars (\$145.00) per night spent in a hotel, for the duration of this agreement. The subsistence shall cover the costs of both hotel and three (3) meals in a twenty-four (24) hour period of such work/travel plus an allowance for meals reasonably taken in conjunction with such work/travel outside of the twenty-four (24) hour period in a day in which he does not stay in a hotel. Where the total hours worked and traveled after the end of a twenty-four (24) hour period is at least eight (8) actual hours, the meal allowance shall include all three (3) meals. Such allowance shall be in the following amounts for the duration of this agreement.

Breakfast	\$15.00
Lunch	\$17.00
Dinner	\$20.00

[As an example, an employee who departs on a six (6) hour drive at noon on Day 1, works on Day 2, stays overnight on Days 1 and 2, works two (2) hours on Day 3 and travels six (6) hours on Day 3 to arrive back at 4:30 p.m. shall receive:]

**July 7, 2009 Payments made for expenses, prior to this date cannot be adjusted.**

Day one	One hundred forty five (\$145.00)
Day two	One hundred forty five (\$145.00)
Day three	Fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for lunch



## **APPENDIX "D" -- PRAIRIE REGION**

The following conditions shall apply to all construction, non-construction and maintenance work performed in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

### **PARTIES**

In respect to the Prairie Region, the QCCC is signatory to the attached Agreement on behalf of Boilermakers' Lodges 146 and 155, and United Association Locals 179, 254, 488 and 496 which are jointly deemed to be the union party.

### **ARTICLE II - SCOPE**

**2.01 Scope - See National.**

**2.01 d) It is understood and agreed that for those contractors signatory to this agreement at April 30, 2006 Article 2:00 Section 2.01 a) scope shall include the words "But does not include Visual Inspection, Destructive Testing, Stress Relieving, or Material Characterization unless it becomes part of the scope of the agreement through voluntary recognition or certification of that company".**

### **ARTICLE III - UNION SECURITY**

**3.02 New Employees – See National**

**4.04 (b)** There shall be no subcontracting, contracting out or subletting, either directly or indirectly, of any work which comes under the scope and operation of this Collective Agreement save and except where the employer to whom the work is let is an employer who is bound to, and complies with, the terms and conditions of this Agreement. In the event that such a subcontractor shall fail to abide by the terms and conditions of this Agreement then the employer who has let such work shall cause each and every subcontractor to abide by this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE VI - WORK DAY AND WORK WEEK**

**6.01** The normal work week shall be forty (40) hours; however, this shall not be construed as a guarantee of hours of work per day or per week, or of days of work per week.

**6.02** Overtime rates shall apply for all work performed beyond eight (8) hours in any normal shift.

**6.03** The normal shifts shall be as follows:

- (a) A normal shift will be any shift commencing at/or between the hours of 6:00 AM and 1:00 PM as required. There will be a thirty (30) minute unpaid break for lunch for each shift and one (1) ten (10) minute paid coffee break for each four (4) hours worked.
- (b) The normal shift start time may be adjusted by one hour to accommodate travel time provided that the on-site shift does not start prior to 6:00 AM.
- (c) A Shift Premium of fifteen percent (15%) of the employee's straight time base rate will be added to the employee's wages for all hours worked on any shift commencing at times other than described above.
- (d) Where an employee is required to work one (1) shift for more than five (5) days, if the employee's shift is changed from one shift to another shift with less than twenty-four (24) hours notice, he shall be paid at the applicable overtime rate for the first shift worked on the new schedule.

**6.04 Compressed Work Week**

Where a compressed work week has been agreed between the employer and the QCCC area representative, the Employer may schedule the regular work week in four (4) consecutive ten (10) hour days, Monday to Friday at straight time rates. Once established, this becomes the regular hours of work for those employees so assigned.

**ARTICLE VII - OVERTIME**

**7.01** Overtime work performed shall be paid as set out in the conditions below:

- (a) On pipeline work constructed by a contractor bound to the Collective Agreement between the United Association and the Pipeline Contractors' Association, the overtime conditions of Appendix F shall apply.
- (b) On all other pipeline work, the overtime rate prevailing on the job shall apply, but in no case shall it be less than the legislation governing the project.
- (c) When on a field site where members of the Boilermaker and/or United Association are employed, overtime will be paid at time and one half (1.5x) shall be paid for the first two (2) hours of overtime Monday to Friday. All other overtime hours shall be paid at double (2x) time.
- (d) On all other sites overtime rates will be in accordance with the following:

**Monday through Friday** - Time and one-half (1.5x) shall be paid for the first two (2) hours with double (2x) time thereafter before the addition of shift differential where applicable.

**Saturday** – Time and one-half (1.5x) shall be paid for the first eight (8) hours with double (2x) time thereafter before the addition of shift differential where applicable.

**Sunday** – Double (2x) time shall be paid for all hours worked before the addition of shift differential where applicable.

**Recognized Holidays** – Double (2x) time shall be paid for all hours worked.

## **7.02 Overtime for Compressed Work Week**

When a compressed work week is scheduled, all hours in excess of ten (10) hours per day shall be paid at double (2x) time. Fridays or Mondays, depending on the schedule of the compressed work week, shall be paid at the rate of time and one half (1.5x) for the first ten (10) hours with double time (2x) thereafter. Saturday, Sunday and Holidays shall be double time (2x).

Where a holiday occurs during the normal work week the maximum of thirty (30) hours per week shall form the basis of the maximum straight time rate. A minimum of forty (40) hours is required to implement the compressed work week schedule.

**7.03** Pipeline overtime – See National.

## **7.04 Overtime Meals**

(a) When an employee works more than ten (10) hours, a free meal (hot when possible) and beverage will be provided by the Employer immediately after the conclusion of ten (10) hours, and at each four (4) hour intervals thereafter. The employee shall be allowed a thirty (30) minute meal break and shall be compensated at the applicable rate of pay. When such meals are not provided, the employee affected shall receive an amount of twenty dollars (\$20.00) in lieu of the foregoing, plus a 10 minute paid coffee break.

On projects of 5 days or more, where employees are regularly scheduled for 10 hour shifts, Article 7.04 shall not apply if the employee is already receiving full LOA (living out allowance). Article 7.04 shall apply if employees are required to work (excluding travel) beyond the scheduled work hours.

(b) It is understood that when subsistence allowance is paid, it must include the cost of three (3) square meals each normal working day. When an employee is assigned to a job where more than ten (10) hours is scheduled,

then the subsistence allowance shall be calculated to include the cost of the extra meals as provided in Article 7.04.

- (c) It has been agreed that Article 7.04 does not apply to pipeline work.

## **ARTICLE IX - EXPENSES, TRAVEL AND STANDBY TIME**

**9.01** Moved to *National*.

### **9.02 Call out Travel/Unassigned**

Call out applies to work for which the employee returns to the employer's shop on a daily basis and excludes "Daily Commute" travel to a fixed location as defined in section 9.04.

Such travel time shall be considered time worked. Travel time is counted for the purposes of shift premium and the calculation of overtime and overtime meals.

### **9.03 Mobilizing and Demobilizing**

Initial move in and terminal move out travel is from the employer's shop to the destination and return where the employee does not return to the employer's shop on a daily basis.

- (a) When traveling in the employer's vehicle the maximum overtime paid will be time and one half (1.5x) for both the driver and the passenger(s). Travel time is counted for the purpose of the calculation of overtime meals.

When traveling by public transportation or in the employee's vehicle all travel will be paid at straight time

- (b) The transportation vehicle and all drivers will be licensed in accordance with the governing regulations.
- (c) Expenses shall be paid from the employer's shop to the destination and return.
- (d) On the day following termination, a terminated employee's departure shall be by 10.00 a.m. All time spent in waiting past this time shall be compensated at the employee's applicable rate of pay to a maximum of eight (8) hours for each day spent in waiting.

### **9.04 Daily Commute**

Daily commute travel applies to daily travel to and from a construction, shutdown, project, or maintenance contract site.

Where the employee is not commuting from his normal place of residence, the travel distance is measured between the worksite and his assigned point of accommodation.

Where the employee commutes from his normal place of residence, the travel distance is measured between the worksite and the nearest of his residence or the shop whichever is the lesser.

For the purposes of calculating daily travel on these projects, there will be a travel free zone of twenty-five (25) road kilometres from the work site. Travel will be paid outside the travel free zone to and from the assigned accommodation at the applicable rate, calculated at 80 km per hour. The maximum overtime payable for such travel time shall be 1.5X straight time rates and such travel shall not be used to compute double (2x) time calculations.

When the transportation provided by the employer, for the conveyance of the employee, is delayed by extenuating circumstances beyond the control of the employee, the employee shall be paid for all such time at the applicable rate. This does not apply to slow moving traffic, construction delays, or traffic congestions. This does apply if the road is closed to vehicle traffic for at least 15 minutes for any reason including accident investigation, construction, or to allow passage of a convoy or large equipment.

#### **9.05 Transportation**

The employer shall determine the mode of travel except that the employee shall have the right to refuse to use their own vehicle.

Where the employee and employer mutually agree the employee may choose not to use company assigned transportation. The employer shall pay the equivalent in travel time and expenses but no additional amount for personal mileage except where agreed in writing.

**9.06** A standby day is a day for which work was scheduled but not performed at the direction of the customer. The employee shall be paid five (5) hours' pay at the applicable rate for a standby day where approved in writing by the customer; or as directed by the employer; provided that where an employee is required to remain available for work or at the work site and that requirement is approved in writing by the customer, the day shall be a regular work day and not a standby day even though no work is performed.

(b) If an employee has four or more consecutive scheduled days off then he shall be demobilized back to the point of hire and paid standby starting on the fourth day.

**9.07** Left blank

**9.08** Room and board expenses for an employee who cannot reasonably return daily to his normal place of residence shall be paid as follows:

- (a) Where camp accommodation is provided, no subsistence allowance will be paid to any employee;
- (b) Where no camp accommodation is available, the Employer shall provide room and board as follows:
  - (i) in a customarily acceptable hotel or commercial lodging, or condominiums or supplied room which must be in good repair and meet the reasonable satisfaction of the employee. Employees shall be responsible for damage. Members cannot move in and out unless there is significant or material change to living conditions. Meal allowance must be provided when the condominiums or other supplied accommodations are provided.
  - (ii) a minimum subsistence allowance will be paid as follows:

<b>Effective</b>	<b>Per Diem</b>	<b>Meal Portion</b>
May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2015	\$140.00	\$52.00

The employee may elect (ii) instead of (i) provided he makes communication arrangements satisfactory to the Employer and provided that does not increase the Employer's travel time liability.

**9.09** On pipeline projects which are not covered by APPENDIX "F", Article 9.08 shall apply.

**9.10** On pipeline projects, the time of the shift shall start when the employees leave the warehouse for the job site and shall end upon their return to the warehouse from the job site, however, the lunch period shall be excluded.

**9.11** At no time will an employee be required to use his own money to provide his own room and board when working away from his normal place of residence on the direction of the Employer.

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**9.13** Deleted

**ARTICLE X - CLASSIFICATIONS, WAGES & PREMIUMS**

**WAGES**

**10.01 Classifications**

"Certificates" shall mean a CGSB Certificate in any of the following:

- Aircraft Structures
- Magnetic Particle (Tech. II - M.P.)
- Liquid Penetrant (Tech. II - L.P.)
- CWB Certification (Tech. II)
- Other Level I or Level II

	<b>May 1, 2012</b>	<b>May 1, 2013</b>	<b>May 1, 2014</b>
<b>Level II Technician</b>			
<i>RT2 UT2 or EC2</i>			
- plus 2 Certificates	40.46	41.47	42.71
- with less than 2 Certificates	38.10	39.05	40.22
<b>Level I Technician</b>			
<i>RT1 UT1 or EC1</i>			
- plus 1 Certificates	32.93	33.75	34.76
- with less than 1 Certificates	30.89	31.66	32.61
<b>CEDO Operator</b>	26.09	26.74	27.54
<b>Trainee</b>	18.05	18.50	19.05

**Unchargeable Time** – eighty percent (80%) of the rate to which the employee would otherwise be entitled.

Within each classification (i.e. Level II, Level I, Trainee) when the Employer is laying off from a project, he will not lay off employees for the reason that they are overqualified.

**MPI and/or LPI Level II** to be paid the equivalent of Level I with no certificates.

**Crawler Technicians** to be paid equivalent of Level I with no certificates or his classification, whichever is higher.

**Scanner Operators** on mechanized ultrasonic crews are to be paid equivalent to a Qualified Operator rate.

"**Crawler Technician**" is defined as a person who is operating and performing full maintenance on a crawler.

**10.02** National.

**10.03** Left Blank.

**10.04 Supervisors - Premium for Record Keeping – Not to be Calculated in Overtime Rates**

On each project where an employee is assigned the responsibility of directing a crew of six (6) employees or more and keeping records of their hours of work he shall be paid a premium of three dollars (\$3.00) per hour over his regular rate.

Where an employee in a shop has been designated responsibility for making work assignments to other employees he shall be paid a premium of three dollars (\$3.00) per hour over his regular rate.

On a project where an employee is assigned the responsibility for directing a crew and keeping records for same, he shall be paid a premium of three dollars (\$3.00) per hour worked. This shall not be construed to mean a single technician working with a trainee(s).

The foregoing is subject to the following:

- (a) Supervisors are to be appointed by management;
- (b) No minimum or maximum number of technicians are required on a job site to necessitate the appointment;
- (c) "Level II technicians" are responsible for technical performance on a project. The responsibility to interpret film for other technicians on a site does not necessarily mean that a supervisor's rate applies.

**10.06** Not applicable in this Region.

**10.07 Certified Exposure Device Operator- see National 10.01**

**SEE NATIONAL ARTICLE XI - REPORTING FOR WORK**

**11.01** An employee reporting for work at the scheduled starting time, unless notified the previous day not to report, and for whom no work is available, shall receive four (4) hours' pay at the applicable rate. An employee who is paid only a half shift for each of three (3) scheduled days may, commencing with the third day, request



and be granted "a layoff". This does not apply to employer work ready training requirements as per National 10.02.

In the case of a compressed work week as per 6.04 an employee reporting for work at the scheduled starting time, unless notified the previous day not to report, and for whom no work is available, shall receive (5) hours pay at the applicable rate.

**11.02** An employee who reports for work and commences work and then is sent home by the Employer during his first half shift shall receive not less than four (4) hours' pay, (5) five hours pay in the case of a compressed work week as per 6.04 for the period spent at work. Records of employment will be issued in accordance with the applicable legislation

An employee who has completed the first half of his shift and reports for work and commences work on the second half of his shift and is then sent home by the Employer shall receive not less than eight (8) hours' pay, (10) ten hours pay in the case of a compressed work week as per 6.04 for the entire shift.

**11.03** (c) An employee who is recalled to work on the same calendar day will receive overtime after eight and a half hours, including a half hour lunch break, from the start of the initial shift.

## **ARTICLE XII - RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS**

**12.01** (a) The holidays shall be as follows:

New Year's Day	Labour Day	1 Floater in Manitoba,
Good Friday	Thanksgiving Day	Saskatchewan & Northwest
Victoria Day	Remembrance Day	Territories, Nunavut and
Canada Day	Christmas Day	Family Day in Alberta
1 <sup>st</sup> Monday in August	Boxing Day	

(b) Payment for such holidays shall be by way of an addition of four percent (4%) of gross earnings paid on each pay cheque.

(c) If an additional holiday with pay is declared by the federal or provincial government, the floater shall be observed on that day.

**12.02** If any of the said holidays falls on other than a working day then the holiday will be celebrated on what would otherwise be the preceding or following working day subject to the customer's requirements

The Employees who work on both the preceding and the following work day will have one of the days paid the overtime pay required by Article 7.01.

**12.03** The Employees who work on any of the above-noted holidays shall be paid the overtime pay required by Article 7.01

## **ARTICLE XIII - VACATION PAY**

**13.01** All employees covered by this Agreement shall be entitled to and receive annual vacation pay as follows:

- (a) All employees shall be paid vacation pay at the rate of six percent (6%) of their gross earnings. An employee with more than one (1) year's service with the Employer shall be entitled to a three (3) week vacation annually.
- (b) Accrued vacation pay shall be paid prior to the commencement of the employee's vacation (or, at the written request of the employee, will be paid each pay period), or upon layoff or termination, in accordance with Article 14.02.

**13.02** The vacation time shall be taken at a time or times mutually agreed between the employee and the Employer.

## **ARTICLE XV - INDUSTRY AND TRAINING FEES – SEE NATIONAL**

## **ARTICLE XVI - HEALTH, BENEFITS & PENSION**

### **16.06 Pension**

The employer shall make the following contributions to the NDT Industry Pension Fund for each hour earned.

May 1, 2011            \$5.50

#### **Health Benefit Plan**

All employers shall remit two cents (\$0.02) per hour worked for all employees and include this in the monthly remittance to the administrator. One cent (\$0.01) will be deducted from the employee's payroll and the employer will be responsible for one cent (\$0.01). This fund will be used as an employee assistance program for the treatment of drug and alcohol addiction.

#### **Post Retirement Health Plan**

All employers shall deduct from the payroll of all employees and shall remit \$0.25 per earned hour, to the "National Post Retirement Health Benefit Plan". This will be included in the monthly employer's remittance and submitted to the administrator. This does not increase the Employer's obligation.

## **ARTICLE XVIII - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE AND ARBITRATION – SEE NATIONAL**

**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #6 – HEAT TREAT**

**BETWEEN**

**THE QUALITY CONTROL COUNCIL OF CANADA**

**AND**

**OTHER SIGNATORY CONTRACTORS HERETO**

**RE: HEAT TREATING INDUSTRY FOR THE PROVINCES OF ALBERTA, SASKATCHEWAN, MANITOBA, THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES AND NUNAVUT**

It is understood and agreed by the parties to this letter that all work performed by the company whose signatures are affixed hereto, shall be governed by the Quality Control Council Agreement for Canada and the terms and conditions of this appendix for the captioned Provinces and Territories.

<b>Hours</b>	<b><u>May 1, 2012</u></b>	<b><u>May 1, 2013</u></b>	<b><u>May 1, 2014</u></b>
3 Month Probationary Rate	18.05	18.50	19.05
Probationary Rate - 1799 hours (Level I)	22.04	22.59	23.27
1800 - 3599 hours (Level II)	26.19	26.85	27.65
3600 - 5399 hours (Level III)	30.34	31.10	32.04
5400 - 7200 hours (Level IV)	34.51	35.37	36.43
Journeyman	40.46	41.47	42.71
Supervisor	43.27	44.35	45.68
Pension	5.50	5.50	5.50

Classification: Technician Trainees must complete the requisite hours, successfully complete certification training and testing and spend at least one (1) year in each classification before advancing to the next level. All employees are “Red Circled” in their present classification and will not be demoted for lack of hours or training.

Training: Technician level training will be as established by the Prairie Regional Heat Treatment Training Trustees PRHTTT and administered by the designated training coordinator. The parties agree that every technician will be provided with a fair opportunity to take the training courses and no one will be unfairly held back from wage increases because courses have not been made available, however technicians advancing without completing training will be required to complete that level training as soon as it

becomes available and reasonably scheduled by the training coordinator, in order to maintain the level increase.

**Journeyman:** A Journeyman is defined as any person who has been certified as a “Field Heat Treatment Technician” by the provincial authority having jurisdiction.

**Supervisor:** A supervisor is defined as anyone directing a crew of 6 or more persons or as may otherwise be appointed by management.

**Record Keeping:** It is understood that recording keeping is a normal function of a Technician duties and no additional allowances will be paid.

**Unchargeable**

**Time Rate:** Prairie Region Heat Treatment Contractor’s may apply Article 10.02 Unchargeable Time provisions; however, in no case will any employee be paid less than the full probationary rate.

**15.01 Industry Training Fees and Upgrading**

(b) The Heat Treatment/ Stress Relief Employer’s shall contribute one dollar (\$1.00) per hour worked into the Prairie Region Heat Treatment Training Fund (PRHTTF) which shall be a trusted fund with an equal number of trustees appointed by the Prairie Region Heat Treatment Management Association and the Council. The trustees of the PRHTTF shall determine all training curriculum and/or requirements for employees training and/or certification.

**LETTER OF INTERPRETATION C – PRAIRIE REGION – MEALS**

The undersigned parties agree to the following interpretation of Article 9.08(b)(ii) for the Prairie Region.

The subsistence allowance under the circumstances of Article 9.08(b)(ii) shall be one hundred and forty dollars (\$140.00) effective May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2015, per night spent in a hotel to cover the costs of both hotel and three (3) meals in a twenty-four (24) hour period of such work/travel plus an allowance for meals reasonably taken in conjunction with such work/travel outside of the twenty-four (24) hour period in a day in which he does not stay in a hotel. Where the total hours worked and traveled after the end of a twenty-four (24) hour period is at least eight (8) actual hours, the meal allowance shall include all three (3) meals. Such allowance shall be in the following amounts:

	<b>May 1, 2012</b>	<b>May 1, 2013</b>	<b>May 1, 2014</b>
Breakfast	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$12.00
Lunch	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$16.00
Dinner	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00

[As an example, an employee who departs on a six (6) hour drive at noon on Day 1, works on Day 2, stays overnight on Days 1 and 2, works two (2) hours on Day 3 and travels six (6) hours on Day 3 to arrive back at 4:30 p.m. shall receive:]

	<b>May 1, 2012</b>	<b>May 1, 2013</b>	<b>May 1, 2014</b>
Day 1:	\$140.00	\$140.00	\$140.00
Day 2:	\$140.00	\$140.00	\$140.00
Day 3:	\$16.00 for lunch	\$16.00 for lunch	\$16.00 for lunch

## **APPENDIX "E" -- PACIFIC REGION**

The following conditions shall apply to work performed in the Province of British Columbia and the Yukon Territory.

### **ARTICLE II - SCOPE**

#### **2.01 Scope**

This Agreement shall apply in respect of all nondestructive testing work and field heat-treating work performed by the Employer or by any person, firm or corporation owned or financially controlled by the Employer in Canada. Nondestructive testing includes ultrasonic, radiography, magnetic particle, dye penetrant, eddy current and visual inspectors. Field heat-treating work includes all activities necessary in the performance of electric resistance field heat-treating services and shall only be performed by employees covered by this Agreement.

"Visual Inspection" as used in this Agreement shall not be limited to the techniques described in the body of this Agreement but will include and not be limited to the following:

Inspection of all metal fabrications, piping and coating applied thereto. Inspection of all plastics and fibreglass fabrication and piping are included.

### **ARTICLE III - UNION SECURITY**

#### **3.02 New Employees – See National**

### **ARTICLE VI - WORK DAY & WORK WEEK**

**6.01** The normal work week shall be forty (40) hours; however, this shall not be construed as a guarantee of hours of work per day or per week, or of days of work per week. For the purposes of this agreement, the work week shall commence at midnight on Sunday and shall end at midnight Friday.

**6.02** Overtime rates shall apply for all work performed beyond eight (8) hours in any normal shift.

**6.03** The normal shifts shall be as follows:

(a) Day shift shall be from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with thirty (30) minutes unpaid break for lunch.

- (b) Afternoon shift shall be from 4:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. with a thirty (30) minute unpaid break for lunch
- (c) (i) The foregoing shift starting and stopping times may be adjusted by not more than two (2) hours.
- (ii) Start times for day shift can be anytime between 6:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. for fabrication shop work only.

In addition to the meal breaks noted above, the following coffee/rest breaks will be provided:

Two (2) rest or work (coffee) breaks of ten (10) minutes duration will be allowed each day during normal working hours, one in the first half and one in the second half of each shift, or shifts. Where the scheduled shift exceeds nine (9) hours or if unscheduled overtime is worked beyond the normal working day and if the duration of overtime is to exceed one hour, then the employee will be allowed a coffee break at the end of the normal shift. Such breaks and a suitable location to be determined by the Employer, in consultation with the job steward.

- (d) The starting time for night shift shall be any time between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

When an employee is requested to work night shift he shall be guaranteed a minimum of eight (8) hours' pay plus fifteen percent (15%) shift differential with a minimum of four (4) hours at chargeable rate.

- (e) A shift premium of fifteen percent (15%) of the employee's straight time base rate shall be added to the wages otherwise earned for all hours worked on an afternoon shift or an evening shift.
- (f) On work performed on a project site of at least five (5) consecutive regular working days if the employee's shift is changed, from one shift to another shift, with less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice he shall be paid at the applicable overtime rate for the first shift worked on the new schedule.

Members on LOA shall receive daily mileage from the normally assigned location as if they had taken assigned accommodation.

- (g) When working shutdowns on scheduled overtime shifts the following hours shall be paid (including overtime payment):

		<b>S.T</b>	<b>O.T.</b>
9 hour shifts:	Days	8	1.25
	Nights	6	3
10 hour shifts:	Days	8	2.5

	Nights	6	4
12 hour shifts:	Days	8	4
	Nights	6	6

Up to one (1) hour of daily travel time and the overtime meal break are included in the hours of pay on a scheduled twelve (12) hour shift (12 hours on site).

When the above shifts are in effect, this provision supersedes items (a) to (e) inclusive.

## **ARTICLE VII – OVERTIME**

### **7.01 OVERTIME WORK PERFORMED SHALL BE PAID AT DOUBLE (2X) TIME RATES.**

For the purpose of this Agreement the work week shall commence at midnight on Sunday and shall end at midnight on Friday.

### **7.03 Pipeline overtime – See National.**

### **7.04** When an employee works more than ten (10) hours, a free meal (hot when possible) and beverage will be provided by the employer immediately after the conclusion of ten (10) hours and at the conclusion of sixteen (16) hours. The employee shall be allowed a thirty (30) minute meal break and shall be compensated at the applicable rate of pay. On projects less than 3 shifts, when such meals are not provided the employee affected shall receive twenty dollars (\$20.00) in lieu of the foregoing. For projects of 3 or more continuous shifts OT meal allowance will be thirty dollars (\$30.00).

On scheduled twelve (12) hour shifts all employees shall be supplied a catered hot meal, where possible, on the job at the conclusion of eight (8) hours and allowed one-half (½) hour in which to eat said meal.

It has been agreed that Article 7.04 does not apply to pipeline work or to work where an employee has been told prior to his dispatch to a job that the hours of work will exceed ten (10) hours per day and the employee and the Employer have agreed to an allowance in lieu of expense and meal allowance claims.

It is understood that when subsistence allowance is paid, it must include the cost of three (3) square meals each normal working day. When an employee is assigned to a job where more than ten (10) hours is scheduled, then the subsistence allowance shall be calculated to include the cost of the extra meals as provided in Article 7.04.



## ARTICLE IX - EXPENSES, TRAVEL AND STANDBY TIME

9.01 Moved to *National*.

### 9.02 Call Out Travel

When an employee is required to report for work to a job away from the Employer's shop and the job is located in an area where the employee can commute daily between his normal place of residence and the job, he shall be paid his applicable rate of pay for time spent in commuting as follows:

- (a) from the Employer's shop provided that with respect to a construction project for the purposes of this clause the shop must have been established one (1) year before the job was contracted or
- (b) from the municipal office in the municipality in which the employee is domiciled, whichever is the lesser.

#### **Industrial Fabrication Shops outside the Free Zone:**

"Industrial Fabrication Shop" shall mean a contract shop, not an "on-site" shop in a customer's facility set up for "on-site" fabrication.

Where an employee is not required to report to the Employer's shop the shift shall start and finish at the customer's premises providing the employee is using the employer's vehicle.

In addition the employee shall receive forty-nine cents (\$0.49) per kilometre from the Free Zone to the customer's premises.

Travel within the Free Zone shall be on the employee's own time providing he is using the Employer's vehicle.

**City of Vancouver Free Zone:** (For projects identified by the QCCC and the NDTMA, work of 5 or more consecutive days)

Northern Boundary: Burrard Inlet

**Western Boundary:** Strait of Georgia

**Southern Boundary:** North Arm Fraser River to include Annacis Island and Sea Island.

**Eastern Boundary:** Port Mann Bridge, North on Lougheed Highway to Barnet Highway, West to Mountain Blvd. (From this point on a direct line to end of Burrard Inlet)

Where the Employer does not have a local shop the travel time shall be paid from the employee's home.

### **9.03 Mobilizing and Demobilizing**

Employees will be reimbursed for travel expenses to and from the Employer's shop to the job site as directed on the following basis:

Public Transportation: reasonable actual cost substantiated by receipt:

It shall not be a condition of employment that an employee must use his own vehicle for company use.

#### **Shutdown work - (defined as 4 days or more)**

##### Definition - Local Resident

- (a) A local resident is defined as a Union member who resides within eighty (80) road kilometres from the project or employer's shop, at the time of hire. An employee's residence is the place where he has maintained for a period of at least 90 days, a self-contained domestic establishment (a dwelling place, apartment, or similar place of residence where a person generally sleeps and eats) in which he resides and for which he can show proof acceptable to the Employer.
- (b) Local residents, as defined in Article 9.03 (e)(i), shall not be entitled to initial or terminal transportation as set out in Article 9.04 (c) nor shall he be entitled to a Turnaround as set out in Article 9.09. Local residents shall receive a Daily Travel Allowance.
- (c) Local residents living beyond a twenty-five (25) road kilometre free zone around the job site of the project shall receive Employer supplied transportation from an Employer supplied accommodation, and be paid sixty cents (60¢) per road kilometre from the edge of the twenty-five (25) road kilometre free zone around the job site to his place of residence as a daily travel allowance for each day worked or reported for work. When driving their own vehicle, daily travel will be paid both ways. When driving a company vehicle travel will be paid one way. Where weather or road conditions do not allow the employee to travel to his residence, the Employer shall provide Room and Board in lieu of daily travel.

No employee shall be discharged for refusing to drive his own vehicle for transportation from the Employer's shop to the job site.

The on-site offices or trailers shall not be considered as the Employer's shop except for jobs where employees are being paid living expenses according to Article 9.08 or 9.09.

### **9.04 Job Site / Shutdown / Project Travel**

When an employee is sent by an employer to a job site or is dispatched from the hiring board to a job site, he shall be paid travel time from the employer's shop and travel expenses from the employee's home area. This shall not include travel expenses to the employer's shop in the employee's home area.

When an employee is required to report for work to a job away from the Employer's shop and the job is located in an area where the employee cannot reasonably commute daily to his normal place of residence, he shall be paid his regular rate of pay for the time spent in travelling as follows:

**(a) Move-in and Move-Out**

Other than local residents, All employees shall be entitled to travel time as set out in section (c), for areas not listed in section (c) an employee shall be paid the actual time spent in travelling, at the commencement of his work on the project, for travelling time from the Employer's shop or agreed point of hire, as the case may be, to a maximum of eight (8) hours per day. When an employee is not required to travel back to the Employer's shop or agreed point of hire upon the conclusion of his work on the project, he shall be entitled to his out-of-town subsistence for that day.

**(b) Daily Travel**

On subsistence projects, the Employer shall provide daily transportation from the Employer supplied accommodation to the project and return for each day worked or reported for work by the employee, and pay sixty cents (60¢) per road kilometre from the edge of the 25 road kilometre free zone around the job site one way as a daily travel allowance. Where no employee requires Employer supplied transportation, the employees' daily travel will be paid both ways.

Where transportation is provided by the Employer and is delayed by mechanical breakdown or other causes attributable to the condition or operation of the vehicle, the following shall apply. If the employee is delayed in arriving at the job site, his hours of work and pay shall nonetheless be considered to start at the normal time. If the employee is delayed in departing from the job site or arriving to his normal pickup point due to mechanical breakdown or other causes attributable to the condition or operation of the vehicle, the actual time of such delay shall be added to the employee's earnings calculated at the straight time rate. A driver who is transporting other employees to and from a project job site and has been assigned a vehicle responsibility by the employer, will be paid a minimum of ten dollars (\$10.00) a day or \$0.30 KM both ways from the assigned accommodation to the project worksite. This applies to one (1) person per vehicle per day.

**(c) Initial/Terminal Travel**

On those projects where subsistence applies, the employee shall choose initial and terminal transportation of:

- (i) A regularly scheduled full fare economy airplane ticket, Employer supplied, from Vancouver to the nearest airport relative to the project, where original boarding pass is provided to the Employee; plus ground transportation from the airport to the Employer supplied accommodation and return where the Employer does not supply such transportation.

Airfare will be reimbursed at 100% of the costs that are posted by the employer seven (7) days in advance of the travel date, at which time the employee will confirm his choice of travel. If these are not posted, reimbursement will be at 100% of the costs of a regular scheduled economy class ticket.

Notwithstanding the above, for projects in the Lower Mainland, initial and terminal transportation shall be based on sixty cents (60¢) per road kilometre from the edge of the free zone to the project, and return.

All employees shall be paid Travel Time as per Travel Table for move in only.

For projects lasting seven (7) or fewer shifts, move-out travel will also be paid for the hours as shown on this table (return travel).

	Travel Time to:		
Castlegar	4.0 hrs	Fort St. John	4.5 hrs
Crofton	5.0 hrs	Kitimat	4.0 hrs
Elk Falls	3.5 hrs	Skookumchuck	5.0 hrs
Fort Nelson	7.5 hrs	Port Alberni	6.0 hrs
Gold River	7.5 hrs	Port Alice	5.0 hrs
Harmac	4.0 hrs	Port Mellon	4.0 hrs
Hudson Hope	7.5 hrs	Powell River	3.0 hrs
Kamloops	4.0 hrs	Prince George	4.0 hrs
Quesnel	4.0 hrs	Prince Rupert	4.5 hrs

- (d) All travel time shall be paid at straight time rates unless an employee is directed to travel to another work site on the same day. When the Employer's vehicle is the means of travel under Article 9.03, up to two (2) employees may travel in the vehicle and both shall be considered as working. Otherwise all other employees shall travel on an individual basis as provided for in the appropriate section of the Collective Agreement.

Travel time on weekends or Statutory Holidays shall be at straight time rates.

**9.08** Room, board and travel expenses for an employee who cannot reasonably return daily to his normal place of residence shall be paid as follows. Room shall mean a single room per person, where possible.

- (a) Where camp accommodation is provided, no subsistence allowance will be paid to any employee.
- (b) Where no camp accommodation is available, the Employer shall provide the employee with the following options:
  - (i) Effective May 1, 2012 L.O.A. of \$135.00 per day will be paid for the duration of this agreement.
  - (ii) A supplied room plus a meal allowance.

Where rooms are supplied by the Employer:

- Effective May 1, 2012, a daily meal allowance will be \$60.00.

- Effective January 1, 2013 a daily meal allowance will be \$62.50.

Note: It is the intention that for a four (4) day project, meal allowances would be paid for a full five (5) days.

- (iii) or condominiums or supplied room which must be in good repair and meet the reasonable satisfaction of the employee. Employees shall be responsible for damage. Members cannot move in and out unless there is significant or material change to living conditions. Meal allowance must be provided when the condominiums or other supplied accommodations are provided.
- (c) If an employee elects subsistence, he will advise the employer seven (7) days in advance of his shift start or at the time of dispatch, whichever is less. Employees on L.O.A. will get daily mileage for travel from the normally assigned location as if they had taken assigned accommodation. The employee may elect (i) instead of (ii) provided he makes communication arrangements satisfactory to the Employer and provided that does not increase the Employer's travel time liability.

**9.09** Subsistence allowance on pipeline projects covered by the Collective Agreement between the Pipeline Contractors' Association and the United Association will be paid in accordance with that Agreement.

**9.11** At no time will an employee be required to use his own money to provide his own room and board when working away from his normal place of residence on the direction of his Employer.

**9.13** Periodic Leave--on out-of-town projects of over fifty (50) calendar days duration will be provided by the Employer every forty (40) calendar days. When the entitlement to such leave is earned and desired, the Employer shall provide the standard transportation and expenses to the point of departure and back to the job.

The extent of the leave shall be for a minimum of five (5) days to a maximum of one (1) week, or a number of days mutually agreed between the employee and the Employer's representative. The timing of the leave shall also be decided by mutual agreement. In no event will an employee receive leave unless he actually returns to his place of departure. Living-out-allowance shall not be paid during leave periods.

**ARTICLE X - CLASSIFICATIONS, WAGES, AND PREMIUMS**

**10.01** Classifications

"Certificates" shall mean a CGSB Certificate in any of the following:  
 Aircraft Structures  
 Other (Tech I) RT 1,UT 1,ET 1.  
 Magnetic Particle (Tech II – M.P.) & Liquid Penetrant (Tech II – L.P.)  
 Eddy Current (Tech II – E.C.)  
 CWB Certification (Tech II)  
 Certified Exposure Device Operator Certificate (for Trainees only)

**WAGES**

	<b>Hourly Rates Effective</b>		
	<u>May 1, 2012</u>	<u>May 1, 2013</u>	<u>May 1, 2014</u>
<b>Technician Level I or Level II</b>			
<b>Technician II - Radiography or Ultrasonics or Eddy Current</b>			
- plus 2 Certificates	40.55	41.77	43.02
- with less than 2 Certificates	37.45	38.57	39.73
- Unchargeable time	32.29	33.26	34.26
 <b>Level I Technician</b>			
<i>Radiography Level I or, Ultrasonics Level I or, M.P. &amp; L.P. Level II</i>			

- plus 1 Certificates	34.24	35.26	36.32
- with less than 1 Certificates	31.29	32.23	33.20
- Unchargeable time	26.79	27.59	28.42

**Trainee**

- with 1 Certificate	26.32	27.11	27.92
- Unchargeable time	20.95	21.58	22.23
- other trainee	19.15	19.72	20.31
- Unchargeable time	16.04	16.52	17.01

Trainees without certificates, who have completed 2080 hours under this agreement, will be paid a rate equal to the trainee with 1 certificate at the unchargeable rate.

**Visual Inspectors notwithstanding NDT Certifications**

	<u>May 1, 2012</u>	<u>May 1, 2013</u>	<u>May 1, 2014</u>
1. CWB certified Level III	37.45	38.57	39.73
Unchargeable	29.81	30.70	31.62
2. CWB certified Level II	34.24	35.26	36.32
Unchargeable	26.79	27.59	28.42
3. CWB certified Level I	31.32	32.26	33.23
Unchargeable	24.92	25.66	26.43
<b>Stress Relief Technician II</b>	40.55	41.77	43.02
Unchargeable	32.29	33.26	34.26
<b>Stress Relief Technician I</b>	34.24	35.26	36.32
Unchargeable	26.79	27.59	28.42

All work performed on pipeline work up to sixteen inch (16") diameter and related metering stations and secondary pumping stations, will be paid at the following rates:

	<u>May 1, 2012</u>	<u>May 1, 2013</u>	<u>May 1, 2014</u>
<b>Technician Level II</b>			
- plus 1 Certificates	41.08	42.31	43.58
- with less than 1 Certificates	37.98	39.12	40.29
- Unchargeable time	32.82	33.80	34.81
<b>Technician Level I</b>			

- plus 1 Certificates	34.76	35.81	36.88
- with less than 1 Certificates	31.82	32.77	33.75
- Unchargeable time	27.77	28.60	29.46

**Trainees**

- Qualified Operators	22.98	23.67	24.38
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All unchargeable time will be at 80% of the top rate for each category. No reductions will occur in unchargeable rates below 1991 unchargeable rates.

For pipeline work as defined in Appendix F performed within the Pacific region the rates shall be as in Appendix F except for the Trainee who shall be paid one dollar (\$1.00) more than the Appendix F rate.

"Crawler Technician" is defined as a person who is operating and performing full maintenance on a crawler.

**10.02 Stress Relief Crew:**

- (a) It is understood that some small and/or short duration projects may only require a single man per shift. Such projects must have a minimum of one (1) Technician II per project.
- (b) Larger projects requiring more than one man per shift shall have a minimum of one (1) Stress Relief Technician II for each shift.

**10.03 NDT Supervisor/Dispatcher**

- (a) Where an employee in a shop has been designated responsible for making work assignments to other employees he shall be paid a premium of eight percent (8%) over his regular rate.

**10.04 Supervisors**

- (a) On a project where an employee is assigned the responsibility for directing a crew and keeping records for same, he shall be paid a premium of eight percent (8%) over his regular rate. This shall not be construed to mean a single Technician working with a Trainee(s).

The foregoing is subject to the following:

- (i) Supervisors are to be appointed by management.
- (ii) No minimum or maximum number of technicians are required on a job site to necessitate the appointment.



- (iii) "Level II technicians" are responsible for technical performance on a project in the same manner as previously without being appointed as supervisors. The responsibility to interpret film for other technicians on a site does not necessarily mean that a supervisor's rate applies.

(b) General Superintendent

If a General Superintendent is appointed for an individual project, by management, to supervise other supervisors appointed as per Article 10.04(a) that individual will receive a premium of twelve percent (12%) for day shift only and ten percent (10%) for night shift, over his regular rate for the time spent on that project.

**10.05 Isolation Pay – see national.**

**10.06 Safety Watch – See letter of understanding.**

**10.07 Certified Exposure Device Operator**

*See National.*

**10.08 Out of Country work assignments**

"For jobs outside of Canada, the Employer shall provide, to the employee, all terms and conditions of employment. The written agreement shall be signed by both the Employer and the employee. A copy of the agreement shall be provided to the employee. A copy of the agreement shall be provided, upon request, to the QCCC Representative. Any breach, of that written agreement, shall be subject to Article 18 – Grievance Procedure and Arbitration."

**ARTICLE XI - REPORTING FOR WORK**

**11.01** When an employee is sent to a job which is in an area where LOA or living accommodations apply, and the project is not ready to proceed, he shall be paid his regular rate of wages for any time up to eight (8) hours in each twenty-four (24) hour period spent by him waiting to commence work. The Employer may send such employee back to the place from which he was sent. If the Employer returns the employee to the place from which he was sent, the Employer shall pay the employee's transportation costs and shall pay the employee at his regular rate of wages for the time spent in travelling, in accordance with this Agreement. When work commences, Articles 11.02 and 11.03 will apply.

**11.02 (a)** When an employee reports for work and commences work and is sent home by the Employer, the employee shall be paid four (4) hours pay at the applicable rate if sent home prior to the first meal period. If the employee is sent home after the first meal period said employee shall be paid the full shift as scheduled. If the employee is to be available for work for any period

beyond the scheduled shift, this time will be paid as if the employee was working. Should the employee leave the place of work on his own accord the employee shall be paid for the actual time worked.

(b) Standby/Waiting Time

When an employee reports to work and is unable to commence work, the employee, when requested to standby either at the work place or other area designated by the Employer, shall be paid as in (a) above, providing however, that the employee is available and capable of returning to work upon notification.

- (c) When an employee commences work and is requested by the Employer to stop work and report back at a later time, the employee shall be paid, as if there had been no interruption in the shift at the applicable rate up to a maximum of twelve (12) hours, providing however, that the employee is available and capable of returning to work upon notification.

11.03 (a) Show-Up Time

When an employee shows up for work and the shift is cancelled and the employee is sent home by the Employer, the employee shall be paid two (2) hours show-up time.

- (b) When an employee who is on an LOA/Out of town project, is notified eight (8) hours prior to the commencement of a scheduled shift not to report for work, the employee will be eligible for four (4) hours pay. If this should occur on any two consecutive days, then the employee will, at his option, be entitled to a layoff.
- (c) When a technician who is not a regular employee is requested to work on a local project and not on LOA or outside of his home area, the minimum call out time will be paid in accordance with the time actually worked and in any case a minimum of 2 hours.

## **ARTICLE XII - RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS**

**12.01** All employees covered by this Agreement shall be entitled to holidays with pay as set out in the appropriate sub-section of this Article.

**12.02** If any of the said holidays falls on other than a working day then the holiday will be celebrated on what would otherwise be the preceding or following working day subject to the customer's requirements.

**12.03** The employees who work on any of the applicable holidays shall receive overtime pay for all such work performed.

**12.04 (a)** The recognized holidays shall be as follows:

New Year's Day	B.C. Day
3rd Monday in February	Friday preceding Labour Day
Good Friday	Labour Day
Easter Monday	Thanksgiving Day
Victoria Day	Remembrance Day
Canada Day	Christmas Day
Friday preceding BC Day	Boxing Day

(b) Payment for such holidays shall be by way of an addition of six percent (6%) of gross earnings paid on each pay cheque.

### **ARTICLE XIII - VACATION PAY**

**13.01** All employees covered by this Agreement shall be entitled to and receive annual vacation pay as follows:

- (a) All employees shall be paid vacation pay at the rate of six percent (6%) of their gross earnings. An employee with more than one (1) year's service with the Employer shall be entitled to a three (3) week vacation annually.
- (b) Accrued vacation pay shall be paid prior to the commencement of the employee's vacation (or, at the written request of the employee, will be paid each pay period), or upon layoff or termination in accordance with Article 14.02 (National).

**13.02** The vacation time shall be taken at a time or times mutually agreed between the employee and the Employer.

### **ARTICLE XIV - PAY DAY**

**14.01** For work carried out in the Pacific Region, employees may be paid either weekly or bi-weekly. Such pay shall be in the form of cash or negotiable payroll cheques.

### **ARTICLE XV – INDUSTRY AND TRAINING FEES – SEE NATIONAL**

**15.02 (a)** Where the Employer requires the employee to take a CGSB test the Employer will pay the employee's reasonable expenses in connection therewith and will reimburse the employee for the straight time wages necessarily lost in order to write the test.

Where an employee is not requested to take a CGSB exam and travels on his own time and pays his own expenses and successfully completes this exam or exams he shall be paid by the employer, for all time lost and out-of-pocket expenses providing the exams are in the Province of B.C.

(b) Lost wages to apply only if employees were employed and lost time.

## **ARTICLE XVI - HEALTH, BENEFITS & PENSION**

### **16.06 Pension**

The Employer shall make the following contributions to the NDT Industry Pension Fund for each hour earned.

May 1, 2011 \$5.50

The Fund shall be managed by an equal number of trustees appointed by each of the NDTMA and QCCC.

All breakage from BC employees to go to BC members.

#### **Post Retirement Health Plan**

All employers shall deduct from the payroll of all employees and shall remit \$0.25 per earned hour, to the "National Post Retirement Health Benefit Plan". This will be included in the monthly employer's remittance and submitted to the administrator. This does not increase the Employer's obligation.

#### **Employee Assistance Fund**

Three cents (3¢) per hour will be directed to a fund set up by the H&W administrator's office to cover costs for member with drug/alcohol problems.

## **ARTICLE XVII - GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **17.04 Safety**

Each employer is responsible for the health and safety program for their workers. Every supervisor is responsible for the proper instruction of workers under the supervisor's direction and control and for ensuring their work is performed without undue risk. In an effort to ensure that safe working conditions are observed and where conditions warrant and especially when work is being carried out in a confined space, the employer will ensure that the employees shall have proper assistance or vigilance from other persons who will act as a safety watch outside the area whenever any workers are inside the confined space. In order to satisfy the requirements of confined space entry procedures, all safety watch persons shall be properly trained and familiar with the tools and equipment, understand the hazards of the space and of the materials used in the nondestructive testing industry. All persons so designated shall be members of the QCCC.

**SELF TRAVEL SCHEDULES**

NOTE: WHERE “FERRY ALLOWANCE” IS PROVIDED, THE AMOUNT PAID WILL BE BASED ON ONE UNDERSIZED VEHICLE AND ONE DRIVER. The Employer shall reimburse an Employee, for any and all ferry fares or road toll charges which are incurred in the course of initial and terminal travel. Ferry allowance will be paid to the employee based on the submitted receipts.

**CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION**

**Crofton  
Move-In/Out**

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
All Employees	see schedule	Ferry Allowance

**Daily Travel and LOA**

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
All Employees	Nil	Hotel and Meals or LOA -

Company to provide transportation from hotel to mill site.

**HARMAC PACIFIC**

**Nanaimo**

**Dispatch Point**

Nanaimo Office  
All Others

**Time**

Nil  
see schedule

**Expenses**

Nil  
Ferry Allowance

**Daily Travel and LOA**

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Local Residents	Nil	Daily Mileage beyond free zone
All Others	Nil	Hotel and Meals or LOA -

Company to provide transportation from hotel to mill site.

**CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION**

**Elk Falls  
Move In/Out**

**Dispatch Point**

Campbell River Office  
All Others

**Time**

Nil  
see schedule

**Expenses**

Nil  
Airfare as provided

Technicians using company supplied transportation will be paid actual travel time plus ferry costs if applicable.

**Daily Travel and LOA**

**Time**

Local Residents  
All Others

Nil  
Nil

**Expenses**

Daily Mileage beyond free zone  
Hotel & Meals or LOA

**CARIBOO PULP - QUESNEL**

**Move-In/Daily Travel**

<b><u>Resident</u></b>	<b><u>Accommodation</u></b>	<b><u>Daily Travel</u></b>	<b><u>LOA or Accommodation</u></b>
Local Resident	Home	\$120.00/Day	No
Non-Resident	Prince George	\$60.00/Day	Yes

**Move-In/Out**

Prince George: Two (2) hours travel if not commuting daily.  
Non Resident: Four (4) hours plus airfare as provided.  
No daily travel if accommodations are in Quesnel, or if LOA is claimed.

**PORT MELLON**

**Dispatch Point**

All Employees

**Time**

See Schedule

**Expenses**

Ferry Allowance

**PORT ALBERNI**

**Dispatch Point**

Local Residents  
All Others

**Time**

Nil  
See Schedule

**Expenses**

Mileage beyond free zone  
Ferry Allowance

**SKOOKUMCHUCK**  
**Move In/Out**

<b><u>Dispatch Point</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Expenses</u></b>
Cranbrook Office	Nil	Nil
All Others	see schedule	Airfare as provided
Technicians using company supplied transportation will be paid actual travel time.		

**Daily Travel and LOA**

	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Expenses</u></b>
Local Residents	Nil	Daily Mileage beyond free zone
On a 12 hour Shift	Nil	Nil
All other shifts:		
Accommodations in Cranbrook	Nil	Daily Mileage beyond free zone
Accommodations in Kimberley	Nil	Daily Mileage beyond free zone

**MACKENZIE**

<b><u>Dispatch Point</u></b>	<b><u>Time Payment</u></b>	<b><u>Expenses</u></b>
Vancouver	7.5 hours	as per agreement (Air Etc.)
Prince George	3.5 hours	Travel to be supplied or mileage As per agreement



**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #7 – ENABLING AGREEMENT – TRAVEL**

**Between:**

**Quality Control Council Of Canada**

**-and-**

**NDT Management Association**

**-and-**

**Other Contractors Signatory Hereto**

**This letter applies to Appendix “E” Pacific Region**

It is understood and agreed by the parties to this letter that in the event that it becomes necessary for the purposes of securing project work that may take place within the Vancouver area, the parties will meet to negotiate a mutually acceptable modification to the travel time allowance within this agreement. Any such arrangement will be intended to provide a standard travel time allowance, for all employees covered under this agreement.

Signed at Vancouver, BC this 1st Day of May, 2006

FOR QCCC

FOR NDTMA

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #8 – RAT – PACIFIC REGION**

**BETWEEN**

**Quality Control Council of Canada**

**-and-**

**NDT Management Association**

**RAT Rates for the period May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2015**

It was agreed that the following premium payment, “per hour worked”, for all NDT personnel working as industrial rope access technicians, will be as follows:

- Level one IRATA Certified           \$2.50 / hr.
- Level two IRATA Certified           \$4.00 / hr.
- Level three IRATA Certified         \$5.00 / hr.

These premiums will be above the rates of pay based on the technician’s qualifications in the QCCC agreement.

The above premium rates will be paid by all signatory contractors in the Pacific Region.

**Agreed to in Toronto, 15 Feb. 2012.**

**For the QCCC:**

Budrow Tozer, Boris Lessy.

**For the NDTMA:**

Gerry Sieben, Adam Stasuk, J. M. MacDonald

## APPENDIX "F" -- PIPELINE AGREEMENT

This Agreement forms part of the Collective Agreement between the NDT Management Association and the Quality Control Council of Canada.

### SCOPE

This agreement shall apply to all on site NDT work performed on:

- a) Pipelines over sixteen inch (16") in diameter completed under the collective agreement between the Pipeline Contractors Association and the U.A. in the Pacific and Prairie Regions.
- b) All pipelines completed under the Collective Agreement between the Pipeline contractors Association and the U.A. in the Central and Atlantic Regions.
- c) Pipelines over twenty-four inches (24") in diameter, completed under any collective agreement.
- d) The only exclusion to a), b) and c) is defect/condition assessment. If such assessment results in pipe replacement, item a), b) or c) shall apply.

### EXPENSES

On work covered by this Temporary Agreement where camps are not provided an employee who cannot reasonably return daily to his normal place of residence will be paid a subsistence allowance as follows:

May 1, 2009            One hundred thirty-five dollars (\$135.00) per day.

Overtime work performed shall be paid for under the following provisions:

**Monday through Friday** – Time and one-half (1.5x) shall be paid for the first two (2) hours with double (2x) time thereafter.

**Saturday** – Time and one-half (1.5x) shall be paid for the first ten (10) hours with double (2x) time thereafter.

**Sunday** – Double (2x) time shall be paid for all hours worked.

**Recognized Holidays** – Double (2x) time shall be paid for all hours worked.

**TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT -- May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2015.**

## **ENABLING CLAUSE**

It is agreed that if and when the United Association and the Pipeline Contractors Association are entering into enabling meetings, the Council will notify the NDTMA prior to these meetings taking place.

On all work covered by appendix "F" for which a U.A. Local (s) has agreed to "enabled" conditions which are less than the PCA/UA agreement, the local(s) shall promptly send a copy of the enabling agreement to the NDTMA directors for the region.

(This notice is for information purposes only.)

**APPENDIX “F”**

**WAGES**

	<u>May 1, 2012</u>	<u>May 1, 2013</u>	<u>May 1, 2014</u>
<b>Project Supervisor \$1.00/hr. over the Level II</b>			
<b>Level II Ultrasonic and/or Radiography Technician Front end Level II Technician (includes poor boy unit)</b>	45.80	47.01	48.42
<b>Tie-In Repairs Level II Technician</b>	44.03	45.19	46.55
<b>Level I Technician</b>	33.37	34.25	35.28
<b>Crawler Maintenance Technician</b>	33.37	34.25	35.28
<b>Radiography CEDO Operator / UT Scanner Operator</b>	28.89	29.65	30.54
<b>Trainee-Helper</b>	22.38	22.97	23.66

(Ultrasonic Scanner Operator - Same as Radiography CEDO Operator)

**Pension Contributions:** (This provision supersedes all references to Pension remittance amounts shown for each region in the Appendix for each region within this Agreement.)

The Employer shall make the following contributions to the NDT Industry Pension Fund for each hour earned for all work covered by Appendix “F”. The amounts noted are fixed for the duration of this agreement.

<b>Atlantic Region</b>	\$4.60
<b>Central Region</b>	\$4.80
<b>Prairie Region</b>	\$5.00
<b>Pacific Region</b>	\$6.00
<b>Quebec Region</b>	\$4.60

Post Retirement Health Plan

All employers shall deduct from the payroll of all employees and shall remit \$0.25 per earned hour, to the “National Post Retirement Health Benefit Plan”.

This will be included in the monthly employer's remittance and submitted to the administrator. This does not increase the Employer's obligation.

**Subject to amendment by the QCCC following ratification**

"Crawler Technician" is defined as a person who is operating and performing full maintenance on a crawler.

## APPENDIX "G" -- PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

The following conditions shall apply to work performed in the province of Quebec.

### ARTICLE III - UNION SECURITY

#### 3.02 New Employees – See National

### ARTICLE VI - WORK DAY & WORK WEEK

- 6.01** The normal work week shall be forty (40) hours; however, this shall not be construed as a guarantee of hours of work per day or per week, or of days of work per week except as provided for in Article XI and standby time.
- 6.02** Overtime rates shall apply for all work performed beyond eight (8) hours in any normal shift.
- 6.03** The normal shifts shall be as follows:
- (a) A normal shift will be any shift commencing at/or between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. as required. There will be a thirty (30) minute unpaid lunch break and a ten (10) minute paid coffee break for each four- (4) hours worked.
  - (b) A Shift Premium of ten percent (10%) of the employee's straight time base rate will be added to the employee's wages for all hours worked on any shift commencing at times other than described above.
  - (c) A shift commencing at 10:00 p.m. or later on a given day will be considered to have started on the following day.
  - (d) On work performed on site as part of new construction or revamp work covered by an on-site building trades agreement, where an employee is required to work on one (1) shift for more than five (5) days, if the employee's shift is changed, from one shift to another shift, with less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice he shall be paid at the applicable overtime rate for the first shift worked on the new schedule.

#### Scenario #1 (normal shift)

A member normally reports for work at 0800. For the purposes of this scenario, he is on 10 hour shifts and is being paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime.

- a) The member is asked to report to work at 0630. This is considered to be an early start within his normal shift, and no additional overtime is applied. If he works ten hours, he is paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime.

- b) The member is asked to report to work at 0500. This is considered to be a shift change. If 24 hours notice has not been given, he will be paid overtime for all hours of this shift + the applicable shift premium as per 6.03 (a).

Scenario #2 (second shift)

A member normally reports for work at 1700 (5 PM). For the purposes of this scenario, he is on 10 hour shifts and is being paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime + shift premium.

- a) The member is asked to report to work at 1500 (3 PM). This is considered to be an early start within his normal shift, and no additional overtime is applied. If he works ten hours, he is paid 8 regular hours and 2 overtime + shift premium.
- b) The member is asked to report to work at 12 noon. This is considered to be a shift change. If 24 hours notice has not been given, he will be paid overtime for all hours of this shift.

**FLEXIBLE WORK WEEK – See National**

**ARTICLE VII - OVERTIME**

- 7.01** (a) Overtime work performed shall be paid for under the following provisions:

**Monday through Friday** – Time and one-half (1.5x) shall be paid after the first (8) hours before the addition of shift differential where applicable.

**Saturday** – Time and one-half (1.5x) shall be paid for all hours before the addition of shift differential where applicable.

**Sunday** – Double (2x) time shall be paid for all hours worked before the addition of shift differential where applicable.

**Recognized Holidays** – Double (2x) time shall be paid for all hours worked.

- (b) On work performed on-site as part of new construction or revamp work covered by an on-site building trades agreement, or as part of a maintenance project covered by a United Association or Boilermaker agreement to the extent that that agreement requires double (2x) time, the overtime rate shall be double (2x) time. The overtime rate shall also be double (2x) time where the work is performed in a fabrication shop or industrial plant in which the regular employees are paid double (2x) time for all overtime.

- 7.02** If an employee is required by the Employer to return to work before an eight (8) hour break occurs, he will be paid the applicable overtime rate.



**7.03** Pipeline overtime – See National.

**7.04** (a) When an employee works more than ten (10) hours, a free meal (hot when possible) and beverage will be provided by the Employer immediately after the conclusion of ten (10) hours, and at each four (4) hour intervals thereafter. The employee shall be allowed a thirty (30) minute meal break and shall be compensated at the applicable rate of pay.

It has been agreed that Article 7.04 does not apply to pipeline work or to work where an employee has been told prior to his dispatch to a job that the hours of work will exceed ten (10) hours per day and the employee and the Employer has agreed to an allowance in lieu of expense and meal allowance claims.

When such meals are not provided the employee so affected shall receive a meal allowance in the amount of, twenty dollars (\$20.00) in lieu of such meal but will be entitled to have a coffee break.

(b) On projects of 5 days or more, where employees are regularly scheduled for 10 hours shifts, Article 7.04 shall apply if employees are required to work (excluding travel) beyond the scheduled work hours.

## **ARTICLE IX - EXPENSES, TRAVEL AND STANDBY TIME**

**9.01** See National

### **9.02 Call Out Travel**

When an employee is required to report for work to a job away from the Employer's shop and the job is located in an area where the employee can commute daily between his normal place of residence and the job, he shall be paid his applicable rate of pay for the time spent in commuting. In all such cases, the time spent in travelling shall be measured as follows:

(a) Where a fixed travel time allowance has been negotiated for the project between the owner or general contractor and the Boilermakers or the United Association, the greater of those shall be paid provided it is known before the NDT bids are submitted.

(b) In all other cases as follows:

(i) from the Employer's shop to which he was assigned on hire provided that with respect to a construction project for the purposes of this clause the shop must have been established one (1) year before the job was contracted or

- (ii) from the municipal office in the municipality in which the employee is domiciled, whichever is the lesser.

Where the Employer does not have a local shop, the travel time shall be paid from the employee's home.

### **9.03 Mobilizing and Demobilizing**

When an employee is required to report for work to a job away from the Employer's shop and the job is located in an area where the employee cannot reasonably commute daily to his normal place of residence, he shall be paid his regular rate of pay for the time spent in travelling as follows:

- (a) **Move-in and Move-Out** – at the commencement and conclusion of his work on the project, for travelling time from the employer's shop or agreed point of hire, as the case may be, to a maximum of eight (8) hours per day on a combination of air and taxi transportation. This travel time shall not be considered as time worked and will be paid at straight time.
- (b) A travel free zone of 25km applies to the following conditions:
  - (1) Daily travel - he shall travel to and from the assigned living accommodation on the Employers time.
  - (2) Daily commute to and from a job site.

When an employee is moving the Employer's vehicle or is being paid mileage allowances to drive his own vehicle to and from a job site the time spent in travel shall be considered as time worked.

**9.04** National.

**9.05** Left Blank.

**9.06** A standby day is a day for which work was scheduled but not performed at the direction of the customer. The employee shall be paid five (5) hours' pay at the applicable rate for a standby day or demobilized or re-assigned at the discretion of the employer; provided that where an employee is required to remain at the work site and that requirement is approved in writing by the customer, the day shall be a regular work day and not a standby day even though no work is performed. An employee shall not be entitled to payment under both Article 9.04 and Article XI.

**9.07** Employees will be reimbursed for travel expenses to and from the Employer's shop to the job site as directed on the following basis:

Public Transportation – at reasonable actual cost substantiated by receipt;

The on-site offices or trailers shall not be considered as the Employer's shop except for jobs where employees are being paid living expenses according to Article 9.08 or 9.09.

**9.08** Room, board and travel expenses for an employee who cannot reasonably return daily to his normal place of residence shall be paid as follows:

- (a) Where camp accommodation is provided, no subsistence allowance will be paid to any employee.
- (b) Where no camp accommodation is available, the Employer shall provide room and board as follows:
  - (i) in a customarily acceptable hotel or commercial lodging;
  - (ii) or a daily subsistence allowance of \$130.00 per day will be paid as follows for the duration of this agreement: \$79.00 for hotel \$51.00 for meals.

The meal allowance will be paid as follows:

Breakfast \$14.00, Lunch \$16.00, Dinner \$21.00

- (iii) or condominiums or supplied room which must be in good repair and meet the reasonable satisfaction of the employee. Employees shall be responsible for damage. Members cannot move in and out unless there is significant or material change to living conditions. Meal allowance must be provided when the condominiums or other supplied accommodations are provided.

The employee may elect (ii) instead of (i) provided he makes communication arrangements satisfactory to the Employer and provided that does not increase the Employer's travel time liability.

**9.09** On pipeline projects not covered by APPENDIX "F", Article 9.08 will apply.

**9.10** Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 9.02 and 9.03(b) on pipeline projects the time of the shift shall start when the men leave the warehouse for the job site and shall end at quitting time on the job site; however the lunch period shall be excluded. Should the trip to the warehouse at the end of the shift exceed one-half (½) hour the Employer shall pay the equivalent of one-half (½) hour at straight time rates for each thirty (30) minutes or portion thereof travelling in excess of thirty (30) minutes.

**9.11** At no time will an employee be required to use his own money to provide his own room and board when working away from his normal place of residence on the direction of the Employer.

## 9.12 Travel and Overtime

**Maximum overtime rates for time spent in travel shall be time and one half (1.5x) except for mobilization/demobilization where the maximum overtime rates for the time spent in travel shall be straight time. Travel time shall not be used for computing double (2x) time for Article 7.01 of this appendix.**

When an employee is on a job where room and board expenses are not being covered as per Article 9.08, travel time shall be paid at a maximum of 1.5 times his regular rate where the combination of work and travel time exceeds 8 hours per day.

## ARTICLE X - CLASSIFICATIONS, WAGES AND PREMIUMS

### WAGES

#### 10.01 Classifications

"Certificates" shall mean a CGSB Certificate in any of the following:

- Aircraft Structures
- Magnetic Particle (Tech II - M.P.)
- Liquid Penetrant (Tech II - L.P.)
- CWB Certification (Tech II)
- Other Level I or Level II

<b>Classification</b>	<b><u>May 1, 2012</u></b>	<b><u>May 1, 2013</u></b>	<b><u>May 1, 2014</u></b>
<b>Level II Technician</b>			
<i>RT2 UT2 or EC2</i>			
- with 3 Certificates	33.33	33.58	33.83
- with less than 3 Certificates	30.40	30.65	30.90
<b>Level I Technician</b>			
<i>RT1 UT1 or EC1</i>			
- with 2 Certificates	26.76	26.76	26.76
- with less than 2 Certificates	24.36	24.36	24.36
<b>Level II Magnetic Particle and Liquid Penetrant (both)</b>	23.77	23.77	23.77
<b>Trainee</b>			
- with 1 Certificate or CEDO	18.30	18.30	18.30
Over 1500 hrs trainee	15.00	15.00	15.00

- no Certificates	12.50	12.50	12.50
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**For QCCC Members only:**

CWB Level III	30.15	30.15	30.15
CWB Level II	23.77	23.77	23.77
CWB Level I	20.00	20.00	20.00

No member shall have a reduction in rate as a result of the implementation of these rates.

**Unchargeable Time** – 80% of the rate to which the employee would otherwise be entitled, except that the unchargeable time rate for Trainee with no certificates shall be the regular rate.

Within each classification (i.e. Level II, Level I, Trainee) when the Employer is laying off from a project it will not lay off employees for the reason that they are over-qualified.

**10.02** National.

**10.03** Left Blank.

**10.04 Supervisors - Premium for Record Keeping**

On each project where an employee is assigned the responsibility of directing a crew of six (6) employees or more and keeping records of their hours of work he shall be paid the following premium over his regular rate.

May 1, 2009 \$ 1.75 per hour.

This premium is subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Supervisors are to be appointed by management.
- (b) No minimum or maximum number of technicians is required on a job site to necessitate the appointment.
- (c) "Level II Technicians" are responsible for technical performance on a project in the same manner as previously without being appointed as supervisors. The responsibility to interpret film for other technicians on a site does not necessarily mean that a supervisor's rate applies.

**10.06** Left Blank.

**10.07 Certified Exposure Device Operator**

See *National*.

## **ARTICLE XI - REPORTING FOR WORK**

**11.01** An employee reporting for work at the scheduled starting time, unless notified the previous day not to report, and for whom no work is available shall receive four (4) hours' pay at the applicable rate. An employee who is only paid four (4) hours' pay for each of three (3) scheduled days may, commencing with the third day, request and be granted his termination papers.

**11.02** An employee reporting for work and commences work and is then sent home by the Employer during his first half shift shall receive not less than four (4) hours' pay for the period spent at work.

An employee who has completed the first half of his shift and reports for work and commences work on the second half of his shift and is then sent home by the Employer shall receive not less than eight (8) hours' pay for the entire shift. This paragraph does not apply to work in fabrication shops. This paragraph shall apply to work performed as part of construction, revamp work, or scheduled maintenance shutdown covered by an onsite building trades agreement as set out in 7.01 (b).

## **ARTICLE XII - RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS**

**12.01** (a) The holidays shall be as follows:

New Year's Day	Canada Day	Christmas Day
Good Friday	Labour Day	Boxing Day
Victoria Day	Thanksgiving Day	1 Floater
June 24, St. Jean de Baptiste Day	Remembrance Day	

(b) Payment for such holidays shall be by way of an addition of four percent (4%) of gross earnings paid on each pay cheque.

(c) If an additional holiday with pay is declared by the Federal or Provincial Government the floater shall be observed on that day.

**12.02** If any of the said holidays falls on other than a working day then the holiday will be celebrated on what would otherwise be the preceding or following working day subject to the customer's requirements.

**12.03** The employees who work on any of the above-noted holidays shall be paid the overtime pay required by Article 7.01.

## **ARTICLE XIII - VACATION PAY**

**13.01** All employees covered by this Agreement shall be entitled to and receive annual vacation pay as follows:

- (a) All employees shall be paid vacation pay at the rate of six percent (6%) of their gross earnings. An employee with more than one (1) year's service with the Employer shall be entitled to a four (4) week vacation annually.
- (b) Accrued vacation pay shall be paid prior to the commencement of the employee's vacation (or, at the written request of the employee, will be paid each pay period), or upon layoff or termination in accordance with Article 14.02.

**13.02** The vacation time shall be taken at a time or times mutually agreed between the employee and the Employer.

## **ARTICLE XV – INDUSTRY AND TRAINING FEES – SEE NATIONAL**

## **ARTICLE XVI - HEALTH, BENEFITS & PENSION**

### **16.06 Pension**

The Employer shall make the following contributions to the NDT Industry Pension Fund for each hour earned for the duration of this agreement.

May 1, 2012 - \$4.00.

May 1, 2013 - \$4.50.

May 1, 2014 - \$5.00.

Notwithstanding National Clause 16.06, trainees with less than 1,500 earned hours, pension contributions do not apply. All other benefits are payable.

The Fund shall be managed by an equal number of trustees appointed by each of the NDTMA and QCCC.

### **Post Retirement Health Plan**

All employers shall deduct from the payroll of all employees and shall remit \$0.25 per earned hour, to the "National Post Retirement Health Benefit Plan". This will be included in the monthly employer's remittance and submitted to the administrator. This does not increase the Employer's obligation.

## **STANDARD FOR EXCELLENCE QCCC MEMBERS & CONTRACTORS**

### **MEMBER AND LOCAL UNION RESPONSIBILITIES:**

To ensure the QCCC Standard for Excellence platform meets and maintains its goals, the QCCC Rep/ managers, in partnership with his implementation team, including shop stewards and the local membership, shall ensure all members:

- Meet their responsibilities to the employer and their fellow workers by arriving on the job ready to work, every day on time (Absenteeism and tardiness will not be tolerated.)
- Adhere to the contractual starting and quitting times, including lunch and break periods. (Personal cell phones will not be used during the workday with the exception of lunch and break periods.)
- Meet their responsibility as highly skilled craftworkers by providing the required tools as stipulated under the local Collective Bargaining Agreement while respecting those tools and equipment supplied by the employer.
- Use and promote the local union/QCCC and international training and certification systems to the membership so they may continue on the road of lifelong learning, thus ensuring QCCC craftworkers are the most highly trained and sought after workers.
- Meet their responsibility to be fit for duty, ensuring a zero tolerance policy for substance abuse is strictly met.
- Be productive and keep inactive time to a minimum.
- Meet their contractual responsibility to eliminate disruptions on the job and safely work towards the on-time completion of the project in an auspicious manner.
- Respect the customers' property. (Waste and property destruction, such as graffiti, will not be tolerated.)
- Respect the QCCC, the customer, client and contractor by dressing in a manner appropriate for our highly skilled and professional craft (offensive words and symbols on clothing and buttons are not acceptable).
- Respect and obey employer and customer rules and policies.
- Follow safe, reasonable and legitimate management directives.



## **EMPLOYER AND MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Nondestructive Testing Companies , NDTMA and their signatory contractors have the responsibility to manage their jobs effectively, and as such have the following responsibilities under the QCCC Standard for Excellence.

- Replace and return to the Respective QCCC Office ineffective superintendents, general foremen, foremen, technicians, helpers, trainees.
- Provide worker recognition for a job well done.
- Ensure that all necessary tools and equipment are readily available to employees.
- Minimize workers' downtime by ensuring blueprints, specifications, job layout instructions and material are readily available in a timely manner.
- Provide proper storage for contractor and employee tools.
- Provide the necessary leadership and problem-solving skills to jobsite Supervision.
- Ensure jobsite leadership takes the necessary ownership of mistakes created by management decisions.
- Encourage employees, but if necessary, be fair and consistent with discipline.
- Create and maintain a safe work environment by providing site specific training, proper equipment and following occupational health and safety guidelines.
- Promote and support continued education and training for employees while encouraging career building skills.
- Employ an adequate number of properly trained employees to efficiently perform the work in a safe manner, while limiting the number of employees to the work at hand, thereby providing the customer with a key performance indicator of the value of the QCCC Standard for Excellence.
- Treat all employees in a respectful and dignified manner, acknowledging their contributions to a successful project.
- Cooperate and communicate with the Job Steward.

## **PROBLEM RESOLUTION THROUGH THE QCCC STANDARD FOR EXCELLENCE POLICY:**

Under the QCCC Standard for Excellence it is understood that members through the local union, and management through the signatory contractors, have duties and are accountable in achieving successful resolutions.

### **MEMBER / LOCAL UNION/ QCCC RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- The Local Union/QCCC and the Steward will work with members to correct and solve problems related to job performance.
- Job Stewards shall be provided with steward training and receive specialized training with regard to the QCCC Standard for Excellence.
- Regular meetings will be held where the job steward along with QCCC Supervision will communicate with the management team regarding job progress, work schedules, and other issues affecting work processes.
- The Job Steward shall communicate with the members about issues affecting work progress.
- The Business Representative or his delegate will conduct regularly scheduled meetings to discuss and resolve issues affecting compliance of the QCCC Standard for Excellence policy.
- The Steward and management will attempt to correct such problems with individual members in the workplace.
- Individual members not complying with membership responsibility shall be brought before the Local Union Executive Board and or QCCC Region, which will address such members' failure to meet their obligation to the Local and the QCCC, up to and including filing charges. The Local Union's/QCCC role is to use all available means to correct the compliance problem.

### **EMPLOYER AND MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Regular meetings will be held where the management team and QCCC Supervision will communicate with the Job Steward regarding job progress, work schedules, and other issues affecting the work process.
- Management will address concerns brought forth by the Steward or QCCC Supervision in a professional and timely manner.
- A course of action shall be established to allow the Job Steward and/or QCCC Supervision to communicate with higher levels of management in the event there is a breakdown with the responsible manager.

- In the event that the employee is unwilling or unable to make the necessary changes, management must make the decision whether the employee is detrimental to the QCCC Standard for Excellence platform and make a decision regarding his further employment.

**ADDITIONAL JOINTLY SUPPORTED METHODS OF PROBLEM RESOLUTION:**

- In the event an issue is irresolvable at this level, the Local/QCCC or the Contractor may call for a contractually established Labor Management meeting to resolve the issues.
- Weekly job progress meetings should be conducted with Job Stewards, QCCC Supervision and Management.
- The Local/QCCC or the Contractor may involve the customer when their input is prudent in finding a solution.
- Foremen, General Foremen, Superintendents and other management should be educated and certified as leaders in the QCCC Standard for Excellence policy.

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