Winter Blending

The Board will consider an addition to the wholesale price for diesel fuel when winter blending is required. Winter blending is the process used to ensure satisfactory diesel fuel performance in cold temperature environments where "gelling" is likely to occur.

Ultra-low sulfur kerosene (ULSKero) is the most commonly used additive for winter blending. It trades as a separate commodity and its market price impacts the price of diesel fuel.

The requirement for winter blending, and the amount of additive used, is determined based on the fluctuation of temperatures; the lower the temperature, the more additive required.