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DLCA ANNOUNCES INCREASE RACK RATES AND LOWEST FUEL PRICE

St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands - The Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs (DLCA) is notifying the public of the latest rack rate prices issued by Gulf Oil at Lime Tree Bay Terminal effective February 15 – February 21, 2021. Rack rate prices have increased. The new rack prices with the .14/gallon tax are, \$2.2600 for regular, \$2.3300 for premium, and diesel (ULSD) is at \$2.2400. Additionally, DLCA territory-wide fuel price survey was conducted on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 on St. Croix, St. Thomas and St. John. Fuel surveys are included for comparative viewing and transparency.

Fuel surveys are designed to inform consumers of the most affordable fuel prices throughout the territory. Although the fuel prices have increased by at least \$0.50 at selected service stations, there are still fuel stations with prices under \$3.00 per gallon as of the time and date of the instant press release.

"DLCA is aware of and hears the community's outcry regarding the overnight exorbitant increase in fuel prices," stated Commissioner Evangelista. "DLCA is currently investigating the immediate price increase and shall inform the community about its findings when the investigation is complete and refer the matter to the Department of Justice, if necessary. In the interim, I encourage consumers to utilize the information contained in the fuel survey to make wise financial decisions. A penny saved is a penny earned a/k/a one one fill basket."

On St. Croix, the lowest prices for self-service regular and self-service premium under \$3.00 per gallon were found at Five Corners Service Station, Freedom City Service Station, One Love Service Stations - Golden Rock, LaGrande Princesse and Hannah's Rest, PUMA Golden Rock and Sunny Isles, Right Way Service Station and Ziggy's Market Service Station for self-service regular. The lowest price for diesel was \$2.499 per gallon at Freedom City Service Station.

On St. Thomas, the lowest prices for self-service regular fuel under \$3.00 were found at 1st Stop, 1st Stop Frydenjoj, Gas Works, Ali Baba, Petrus Polyberg, Race Track and Puma Bovoni. The lowest price for self-service premium under \$3.00 per gallon were found at 1st Stop, 1st Stop Frydenjoj, Gas Works, Ali Baba, Race Track and Puma Bovoni. 1st Stop and 1st Stop Frydenjoj has the lowest price for diesel at \$3.299 per gallon.

On St. John, the lowest self-service prices were found at Racetrack at \$3.49 per gallon for regular and \$3.59 per gallon for premium. The lowest price for diesel was found at Race Track for \$3.87 per gallon.

For more information on COVID-19, the new strain of coronavirus, please visit the USVI Department of Health's website, doh.vi.gov/coronavirus or text COVID19USVI to 888777. #COVID19USVI. For consumer related issues call (340) 727-SCAM (7226) in the District of St. Croix or (340) 771-SCAM (7226) on St. Thomas/St. John. You may also contact us via email at consumerawareness@dlca.vi.gov. Follow us on Facebook @dlcavi.



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