
Fee Schedule

Bio-Industrial Opportunities Section, Food and Bio Processing Branch

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GST will be applied to all goods and services supplied by the Minister.

These fees apply to Alberta companies or companies that have processing facilities in Alberta.

Fees for out-of-province clients will be negotiated prior to signing a contract; in most cases they will be double those quoted below.

TABLE 1. FEE SCHEDULE – BIO-INDUSTRIAL OPPORTUNITIES SECTION

Service	Fee
Engineering services	\$350 per day*
Technical consultation	\$350 per day
Benchtop development – by section staff	\$350 per day
Benchtop development – by client staff	\$200 per day
Pilot plant development	\$500 per day
Interim processing	\$500 to \$1,200 per day
Post-processing cleaning	\$25 per person per hour
Handling and storage	\$0.10 per kg per day
Seminars and demonstrations	Cost plus 10 per cent

Services

Engineering services and technical consultation

Section scientists or engineers may provide these services. The charges relate to the time spent on a contracted project and can apply to work done at the facility or at the client's facility.

Benchtop development

This refers to the use of the laboratory for product development. Clients may use the facility on their own, or with assistance from a branch scientist or engineer (note the difference in fees).

Pilot plant development

This refers to the use of the BPIC facility for the commercialization of products under development, or the production of products for testing or marketing purposes. Included in this fee is a technologist who will assist you with equipment use.

Services (continued)

Interim processing

This refers to the use of BPIC for a specified period of time beyond the developmental period. Clients may contract the use of the pilot plant to manufacture their products for the market while their own facilities are being upgraded or constructed. The daily fee will depend on the complexity of the process and the amount and type of space being used. All costs related to ingredients, manufacturing, packaging and shipment of products produced in the pilot plant, and cleaning by a third-party contractor are the responsibility of the client.

Post-processing cleaning

Fees are charged to recover the cost of pilot plant cleaning services to meet building requirements.

Handling and storage

Storage of finished products in a controlled temperature environment and of dry goods is limited by the availability of space. Fees will be applied only when excessive amounts or lengths of storage occur.

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