Southeastern Metallurgy 2024 Fee Schedule Forensic Engineering Services

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General Notes:

- 1. Fees are billed monthly, typically between the 25th and 31st of the month. Invoice is due upon receipt and considered past due on the 25th day of the month following services.
- 2. A past due invoice is grounds for stopping or terminating services.

Activity	Fee Rate	Comments
Base rate: Any technical work requiring application of engineering experience, knowledge or insight.	\$325/Hour	Visual examination, optical microscopy, electron microscopy, X-ray microchemistry, manual labor, photography, technical research & analysis, document reviews, report writing.
The additional charges noted below are ONLY made when circumstances warrant. Each case is different. Estimates can be provided on request.		
(+) Scanning electron microscopy & X-ray microanalysis	\$200-250/Hour	Fees charged by service providers (UF, UNF ect) for the use of instruments.
(+) Chemical analysis	\$100-500 per specimen (rates vary by material & test)	Fee charged by analytical services provider.
(+) Misc. lab equipment, lab technician & machine shop fees.	\$50-150/hour typical.	Fees charged by machine shop/lab/NDI services provider to cut, machine or inspect specimens as specified by engineer.
(+) Technician	\$50/hour	Specimen cutting and preparation. Misc. work as necessary.
(+) Travel	½ Base rate/hour	Only travel hours or days.
(+) Transportation	Personal auto: \$0.65/Mile. Airline/rental car: actual cost.	Travel to and from: depositions, inspections & court attendance.
(+) Lodging	\$250-380/night.	Subject to availability in the area.
(+) Meals	\$175 max/day/person	B, L & D while on travel.
(+) Report Reviews	\$225/hour	All written reports reviewed by a second experienced engineer for technical accuracy.
(+) Additional specialized engineering or business services	Variable by explicit agreement.	When necessary to perform any special function or need of the case or client.