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**By e-mail and courier**

Ms. Lee Thomson-Lutz  
Capital Manager  
Nova Scotia Power Inc.  
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Dear Ms. Thomson-Lutz:

**NSPI - Request for Approval of 2010 ACE Plan Work Order – CI# 38878 – 2010 Substation Cutout and Insulator Replacements – P-128.10 / Matter No. 03509**

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The Board has reviewed Nova Scotia Power Inc.'s ("NSPI") letter dated September 2, 2010, requesting Board approval for the following confidential 2010 ACE Plan Work Order:

**CI# 38878      2010 Substation Cutout and Insulator Replacements      \$1,506,414**

Board Staff issued Information Requests on February 5, 2010 and NSPI's responses were received by the Board on September 2, 2010. Additional clarification of project detail was received on October 5, 2010.

The Board has considered NSPI's Request in this matter and the Board understands that the purpose of this project is to replace the cutouts and insulators which are subject to developing hairline cracks in 28 substations. The result will be improved reliability for the approximately 135,000 customers served from these substations.

The Board accepts, as filed, the portions of the work order that are marked confidential.

The Board agrees that the project is necessary and the corresponding cost is justified. Accordingly, this will confirm that the Board has approved NSPI's request for the amount of \$1,506,414 with respect to this confidential Work Order.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Doehler'.

Murray E. Doehler, CA, P.Eng.  
Member

cc      Eric Ferguson, Director Regulatory Affairs

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