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Alliance of Nova Scotia Sawmillers

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Dear Ms. Rubin:

Renewable Energy Community Feed-in Tariffs - BRD-E-R-10/ Matter No. M03632

This is further to your letter of March 15, 2011 requesting an extension in the time for filing evidence and an adjournment of the hearing.

The panel assigned to this proceeding is Peter Gurnham, Chair and Board Members Roland Deveau and Murray Doehler.

Evidence Extension

In the circumstances you describe, and for the reasons outlined in your letter, the Board is prepared to grant your extension to Tuesday, March 22, 2011, as requested.

Adjournment Request

The Board is not prepared to adjourn the hearing. As noted in a communication yesterday, given the Board's heavy schedule this spring, the reconvening of this hearing would not be possible until October and the Board believes such an adjournment would prejudice the interests of parties who are anxious to proceed with this matter. In addition, the Board does not view bifurcation of the Biomass CHP tariff from the balance of the hearing to be an efficient process.

If the parties, in consultation with Board Counsel, could indicate to the Board they felt sure the hearing could take place and be completed in four days, the Board would be prepared to delay the start of the hearing until Tuesday, April 5th, to allow Monday, April 4th for consultations you

suggest should take place. Parties should communicate their views on this possibility to Board Counsel Bruce Outhouse at bouthouse@bloisnickerson.com.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nancy McNeil".

Nancy McNeil
Regulatory Affairs Officer/Clerk

cc S. Bruce Outhouse, Q.C., Board Counsel
BRD-E-R-10 Participants

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