

**NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD**

**IN THE MATTER OF:        THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT**

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**IN THE MATTER OF:        AN APPLICATION by Nova Scotia Power Incorporated ("NSPI")**  
for Approval of 2010 ACE Plan Work Order Greater Than \$1  
Million: CI# 33562 - FAC Land Registration Act  
(P-128.10 / Matter No. 03718)

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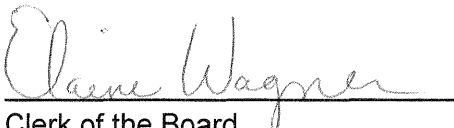
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**Responses Due:** January 7, 2011

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Clerk of the Board

1 **IR-1:**

2 With respect to CI# 25262, the Land Registration Act project:

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- 4 a) Please provide the actual activation and completion dates for this project.
- 5 b) How many properties had been or will be migrated under this capital item?
- 6 c) In its response to IR-GP21 (b) NSPI states that \$17,000 has been incurred to date.
- 7 Please elaborate on this amount.
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9 **IR-2:**

10 In the response to IR-P12 of March 13, 2009, related to CI# 33562, it is stated:

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12 NSPI estimates it has approximately 1500 freehold and property interests requiring

13 migration into the new land registry system. The estimated cost of migration using

14 external legal services is estimated to be approximately \$1,000 per parcel of land. NSPI

15 plans to register 300 parcels of land a year, over a five year period.

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17 In the approval request it is stated that this capital item would be used to migrate NSPI's

18 remaining lands to the new title system. According to the information provided with the request,

19 612 property identification numbers will be migrated to the new title system.

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- 21 a) Please reconcile the total number of NSPI's properties requiring migration into the
- 22 new land registry system with the work completed under CI# 25262, and the work
- 23 proposed under CI# 33562.
- 24 b) Please explain the forecasted increase in the average cost of migration per parcel of
- 25 land.
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27 **IR-3:**

28 What is the basis for the forecasted cost for "Royalties, Easements, App" in the amount of

29 \$566,668?