

December 1999

NSPI - P-871

NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT

- and -

**IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Nova Scotia Power Incorporated
for approval of a Load Retention Rate**

ORDER

BEFORE:  John A. Morash, C.A., Chair
Margaret A. M. Shears, Vice-chair
John L. Harris, Q.C., Member

UPON READING the Application of Nova Scotia Power Incorporated (hereinafter called the "Company") dated December 6, 1999;

IT IS ORDERED that the application and other matters outlined in the Public Notice, be heard at a sitting of the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board to be held at the Offices of the Board at Summit Place, 3rd Floor, 1601 Lower Water Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, commencing on Wednesday, January 12, 2000 at 10:00 a.m.;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following timetable will apply to this proceeding:

Interrogatories to the Company	Monday, December 20, 1999
Responses by the Company	Thursday, December 23, 1999
Filing Intervenors Evidence	Tuesday, January 4, 2000
Interrogatories to Intervenors	Friday, January 7, 2000
Response by the Intervenors	Tuesday, January 11, 2000
Hearing to Commence	Wednesday, January 12, 2000

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice of this hearing be given, in a form to be approved by this Board, by publishing it in accordance with the following schedule:

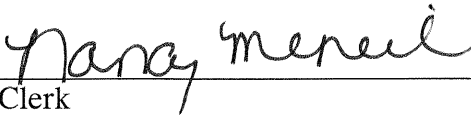
Halifax Chronicle-Herald and Mail Star	- Wednesday, December 8, 1999
	- Wednesday, December 15, 1999
	- Wednesday, December 22, 1999

The Sunday Edition of the Daily News - Sunday, December 19, 1999

The Cape Breton Post - Friday, December 17, 1999

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 8th day of December, 1999.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD


Clerk