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Ms. Nancy McNeil
Regulatory Affairs Officer/Clerk
Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board
1601 Lower Water Street, 3rd Floor
Halifax, NS B3J 3P6

Dear Ms. McNeil:

Re: Report on Load Retention and Surplus Energy Rates

In its Order NSUARB-NSPI-P-871 dated May 29, 2000, the Board approved the Load Retention Rate and directed NSPI to "report to the Board not later than March 31 each year on the total revenue received from customers on the Load Retention Rate, and the total energy sold to customers on the Load Retention Rate, for the previous calendar year".

In 2004, no customers took service under the Load Retention Rate.

In its Order NSPI-867 dated March 14, 1996, the Board approved the Industrial Expansion Rate, the Time-of-Day Expansion Interruptible Rate, and the Surplus Power Interruptible Rate. The Board also directed NSPI to "file a report at the end of each fiscal year demonstrating that all customers under these rates are fulfilling the availability requirements".

In 2004, no customers took service under any of those rates.

Yours truly,



Mel Whalen
Director
Regulatory Affairs and Rates

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