Appendix J

Proposed Regulation Changes

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PRESENT REGULATION

NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

7.1 SCHEDULE OF CHARGES

The following charges shall apply:

(a)	Connection or reconnection of electric service, whether metered or unmetered, to any premises during the Company's normal working hours.	$21.00 standard charge
(b)	Connection or reconnection of electric service, whether metered or unmetered, to any premises after the Company's normal working hours, if requested by the Customer and is not a reconnection for non payment.	$21.00 standard charge plus $57.00 charge for additional costs.
(c)	Reconnection of electric service, whether metered or unmetered, to any premises after the Company's normal working hours, if requested by the Customer and is a reconnection associated with non payment.	$21.00 standard charge plus $57.00 charge for additional costs.
(d)	Connection or reconnection of electric service to any premises serviced by temporary service in accordance with these Regulations.	$21.00 standard charge plus all other costs incurred by the Company in connecting or reconnecting service
(e)	Collection Charge: • With Disconnection Notice • With Registered Mail Notification	$15.00 standard charge $8.00 standard charge
(f)	Disconnection-Seasonal Electric Service	$25.00 standard charge
(g)	Returned Cheque Charge	$17.00

PROPOSED REGULATION

NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

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(f)	Disconnection-Seasonal Electric Service	$25.00 standard charge
(g)	Returned Cheque Charge	$18.00

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(h)	Interest on Overdue Accounts	1.5% per month or part thereof, or a maximum of 19.56% per annum
(i)	Interest on Deposits	Interest Rate based on Royal Bank prime rate minus 1%; set January 1st of each year
(j)	Dispute Test Fee re satisfactory meter	$28.00
(k)	Standard Contribution for three-phase service 15 kW and under	$917.00
(l)	Charge for installation of Recording Equipment	
	• 240 volt single phase voltage recorder	$25.00
	• all other recording equipment	Actual Costs incurred by the Company
(m)	Service Charge for any miscellaneous requests.	Actual Costs incurred by the Company
(n)	All pole attachments for telecommunication common carriers, or broadcasters, exclusive of those under joint use agreements.	$14.15 per pole per year
(o)	Access to NSPI Mobile Radio Network	Monthly Charge
	- Basic Dispatch Service	$26.00
	- Individual/Group Call Feature	$21.00
	- Networking Features	$11.00
	- Interconnect Facility (PSTN) Access	$41.00

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NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

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PRESENT REGULATION

NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

7.2 SCHEDULE OF WIRING INSPECTION FEES

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Permits and inspections will normally be of three types:

a) Regular Permits and Inspections
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All persons, firms or corporations within Nova Scotia Power's inspection authority who are eligible to install electrical installations for the use of electrical energy shall, before commencing or doing any electrical installation of new equipment, or repairs, or altering or adding to any electrical installation or equipment already installed, submit and obtain approval in a manner prescribed by the inspection authority.

Individual permits shall be required for temporary and individual miscellaneous services and each dwelling unit of a single, duplex or row type housing, etc., whether supplied via an individual or multi-position metering devices.

Apartment type buildings, multi-tenant industrial and commercial installations shall be performed under one permit.

Permits are not transferable.

Permits shall be issued only to the firm or persons performing the work described on the Permit and in compliance with Section 4, "Permit" of the regulations made by the Fire Marshall pursuant to the Electrical Installation and Inspection Act.

Permit holders shall immediately notify the Electrical Inspection Authority upon the completion of an electrical installation requesting a FINAL inspection.

The fee for a Regular Permit and Inspection will be based on the Installed Value, including labour, material and sundries of the electrical installation, alteration, upgrade, repair or extension.

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NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

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7.2 SCHEDULE OF WIRING INSPECTION FEES

When a dispute arises regarding the cost of an electrical installation the permit applicant may be required, at the Inspection Authority discretion, to supply a letter from the owner indicating the value of the contract and/or a bill of materials for the project.

The fees for a Regular Permit and Inspection, including the number of Inspection Visits, shall be based on the Installed Value of the installation as shown in the Inspection Fee Schedule.

b) **Annual Permits and Inspections**

An annual maintenance permit shall be issued for an establishment to cover all minor repairs as required under sections 4(a) (B), (2) and (3) of the regulations made by the Fire Marshal pursuant to the Electrical Installation Act.

Such a permit does not entitle the holder to effect major electrical alterations or additions.

The number of inspection visits shall be at the discretion of the Inspection Authority. Notwithstanding the above, at least one inspection visit shall be made in the year for which the permit is issued.

c) **Special Permits and Inspections**

Where the fee for a Regular Permit and Inspection are inappropriate the special permit and inspection fee shall apply. (Ex. carnivals and travelling shows).

7.2.2 Late Application Fee

Where an electrical contractor fails to obtain an electrical wiring permit prior to commencing the electrical work, an additional fee shall be payable in the amount of fifty (50) percent of the regular fee, up to a maximum additional fee of $100.00.

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7.2 SCHEDULE OF WIRING INSPECTION FEES

7.2.3 Payment of Fees

Fees for permits and inspections shall be paid at the time of requesting the permit unless otherwise indicated by the inspection authority. Permits having fees in arrears in excess of 120 days shall be subject to cancellation and at the discretion of the inspection authority, no additional permits shall be issued to the holder of the unpaid permits until such time the outstanding fees have been adequately dealt with.

7.2.4 Refund of Fees

The holder of a permit may apply to the inspection authority for a refund less a $10.00 non-refundable portion of the permit fee with respect to a cancelled or unused permit. No refund shall be issued for a permit where an inspection call has been made at the request of the permit holder.

7.2.5 Expiry of Permits

A permit for electrical work is valid for 12 months from the date of issue in respect of residential and 24 months in respect of all others unless otherwise noted on the permit. Upon expiry, a renewal fee to a maximum of 50% of the cost of the original permit shall be charged.

7.2.6 Review of Plans and Specifications

The Inspection Authority may, prior to issuing a permit, request the submission of plans and specifications for any proposed electrical installation. Plans shall be submitted for all commercial, industrial institutional installations exceeding 250 volts or 250 amperes.

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NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

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7.2 SCHEDULE OF WIRING INSPECTION FEES

7.2.7 Inspection Fee Schedule

a) **Regular Permits and Inspection**

The fee for a regular permit and the maximum number of inspection visits, with respect to an installation will be calculated, as follows.

b) **Annual Permit and Inspection**

The fee for an annual permit and inspection for any one establishment shall be the appropriate hourly rate.

c) **Special Permit and Inspection**

The fee for a special permit and inspection for any one project shall be the appropriate hourly rate.

d) **Plans Examination**

The fees for the examination of electrical plans and specifications shall be per review:

0 – 1,000 amps	$ 86.00
Greater than 1,000 amps	$ 86.00

e) **Primary Services**

The fees for the inspection of a primary service (padmount, vault, etc.) shall be per installation. $109.00

f) **Letter of Acceptance**

The fees for a Letter of Acceptance shall be ..... $ 28.00

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d) **Plans Examination**

The fees for the examination of electrical plans and specifications shall be per review:

0 – 1,000 amps	$ 92.00
Greater than 1,000 amps	$ 92.00

e) **Primary Services**

The fees for the inspection of a primary service (padmount, vault, etc.) shall be per installation. $117.00

f) **Letter of Acceptance**

The fees for a Letter of Acceptance shall be ..... $ 30.00

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NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

7.2 SCHEDULE OF WIRING INSPECTION FEES

INSPECTION FEE SCHEDULE

INSTALLED VALUE OF ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION	INSPECTION VISITS	PERMIT FEE
$ 0,000 to $ 2,000	1	$ 51.00
$ 2,001 to $ 4,000	2	$ 103.00
$ 4,001 to $ 6,000	2	$ 172.00
$ 6,001 to $ 8,000	2	$ 217.00
$ 8,001 to $ 10,000	2	$ 263.00
$ 10,001 to $ 15,000	3	$ 344.00
$ 15,001 to $ 25,000	3	$ 436.00
$ 25,001 to $ 50,000	3	$ 631.00
$ 50,001 to $ 100,000	3	$ 974.00
$100,001 to $ 300,000	4	$1,489.00
$300,001 to $ 500,000	5	$1,948.00
$500,001 to $750,000	6	$2,521.00
$750,001 to $1,000,000	8	$2,979.00
+ $1,000,000	10	$3,438.00 + 0.15% of cost in excess of $1,000,000

New Installations are subject to the following minimum inspection fees:

RESIDENTIAL-ALL INSTALLATIONS	$103.00
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTIONAL	
Up to 100 AMPS	$103.00
Over 100 to 400 AMPS	$263.00
Over 400 to 800 AMPS	$344.00
Over 800 to 1000 AMPS	$436.00
Over 1000 AMPS	$631.00

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7.2 SCHEDULE OF WIRING INSPECTION FEES

INSPECTION FEE SCHEDULE

INSTALLED VALUE OF ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION	INSPECTION VISITS	PERMIT FEE
$ 0,000 to $ 2,000	1	$ 55.00
$ 2,001 to $ 4,000	2	$ 111.00
$ 4,001 to $ 6,000	2	$ 185.00
$ 6,001 to $ 8,000	2	$ 233.00
$ 8,001 to $ 10,000	2	$ 283.00
$ 10,001 to $ 15,000	3	$ 370.00
$ 15,001 to $ 25,000	3	$ 469.00
$ 25,001 to $ 50,000	3	$ 678.00
$ 50,001 to $ 100,000	3	$ 1,047.00
$100,001 to $ 300,000	4	$1,601.00
$300,001 to $ 500,000	5	$2,094.00
$500,001 to $750,000	6	$2,710.00
$750,001 to $1,000,000	8	$3,202.00
+ $1,000,000	10	$3,696.00 + 0.15% of cost in excess of $1,000,000

New Installations are subject to the following minimum inspection fees:

RESIDENTIAL-ALL INSTALLATIONS	$111.00
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTIONAL	
Up to 100 AMPS	$111.00
Over 100 to 400 AMPS	$283.00
Over 400 to 800 AMPS	$370.00
Over 800 to 1000 AMPS	$469.00
Over 1000 AMPS	$678.00

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NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

7.2 SCHEDULE OF WIRING INSPECTION FEES

g) **Hourly Rate Inspections**

Note: All fees are per inspection visit.

Normal Working Hours:

i)	For the first hour or fraction thereof	$ 50.00
ii)	For each additional half-hour or fraction thereof.....	$ 21.00

Outside Normal Working Hours:

Extension of a regular work day (before or after)

i)	For the first hour or fraction thereof.....	$ 67.00
ii)	For each additional half-hour or fraction thereof.....	$ 29.00

Weekends and Statutory Holidays:

Scheduled inspections on weekends (Saturday, Sunday) and statutory holidays:

i)	For the first hour or fraction thereof.....	$112.00
ii)	For each additional half-hour or fraction thereof.....	$ 40.00

h) **Inspections in Excess of Maximum Number of Visits**

For an inspection visit, in excess of the maximum number of visits permitted under the Regular Permit and Inspection Fee the Special Permit and Inspection Fee shall apply.

PROPOSED REGULATION

NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

7.2 SCHEDULE OF WIRING INSPECTION FEES

g) **Hourly Rate Inspections**

Note: All fees are per inspection visit.

Normal Working Hours:

i)	For the first hour or fraction thereof	$ 54.00
ii)	For each additional half-hour or fraction thereof.....	$ 23.00

Outside Normal Working Hours:

Extension of a regular work day (before or after)

i)	For the first hour or fraction thereof.....	$ 72.00
ii)	For each additional half-hour or fraction thereof.....	$ 31.00

Weekends and Statutory Holidays:

Scheduled inspections on weekends (Saturday, Sunday) and statutory holidays:

i)	For the first hour or fraction thereof.....	$120.00
ii)	For each additional half-hour or fraction thereof.....	$ 43.00

h) **Inspections in Excess of Maximum Number of Visits**

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PRESENT REGULATION

NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

7.3 SCHEDULE OF LOAD RESEARCH MONITORING, REPORTING AND ANALYTICAL CHARGES

The following schedule of charges shall apply to customers requesting Load Research information. **(Note: Customers must provide access to a shared phone line for data collection via automatic meter reading equipment):**

a) **Recovery of the Capital Cost of Installed Equipment** will be the actual costs incurred by the Company.

b) **Setup for Load Research** will be the actual cost incurred by Company plus a 25% markup.

c) **Analysis and Reporting Charges** will be the actual costs incurred by the Company plus at 25% markup.

d) **Specialized Customer Analysis** will be the actual costs incurred by the Company plus at 25% markup.

SCHEDULE OF LOAD RESEARCH CHARGES

		ONE-TIME	BI-MONTHLY	MONTHLY
1.0	**Recovery of Capital Cost of Meter Equipment**			
	Single or Three Phase	290.00	10.74	5.27
2.0	**Recovery of Installation Charges**			
	Single Phase Service Self-Contained	54.00		
	Single Phase Service, Transformer Rated and Three Phase Service	216.00		
3.0	**Load Research Setup**	36.00		

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SCHEDULE OF LOAD RESEARCH CHARGES

		ONE-TIME	BI-MONTHLY	MONTHLY
1.0	**Recovery of Capital Cost of Meter Equipment**			
	Single or Three Phase	312.00	11.55	5.67
2.0	**Recovery of Installation Charges**			
	Single Phase Service Self-Contained	58.00		
	Single Phase Service, Transformer Rated and Three Phase Service	232.00		
3.0	**Load Research Setup**	39.00		

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7.3 SCHEDULE OF LOAD RESEARCH MONITORING, REPORTING AND ANALYTICAL CHARGES

4.0	**Analysis and Reporting**	**See Charge per Billing Period**
	Base Package	
	Load profile for peak day billing period plus times and magnitude of six highest peaks	33.00
	Options	
	Data File	33.00
	Load profile for each day for each billing period	33.00
	Power factor for plot for peak day (kVA billed cust. only)	33.00
	Power factor plot for each day (kVA billed cust. only)	11.00
	Reports of billing period average load profile for each day of the week	33.00
	Report of billing period average load profile for an specific day of the week	11.00
	Daily summary	11.00
	Monthly summary	11.00
	Weekly or monthly detail	11.00
	Daily comparison: Any two customers specified days	11.00
	Load duration plot	11.00
	Daily consumption plot	11.00
	Complete package (all of the above options)	180.00
5.0	**Specialized Analysis**	
	Hourly Rate	88.00

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NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED

7.3 SCHEDULE OF LOAD RESEARCH MONITORING, REPORTING AND ANALYTICAL CHARGES

4.0	**Analysis and Reporting**	**See Charge per Billing Period**
	Base Package	
	Load profile for peak day billing period plus times and magnitude of six highest peaks	33.00
	Options	
	Data File	33.00
	Load profile for each day for each billing period	33.00
	Power factor for plot for peak day (kVA billed cust. only)	33.00
	Power factor plot for each day (kVA billed cust. only)	11.00
	Reports of billing period average load profile for each day of the week	33.00
	Report of billing period average load profile for an specific day of the week	11.00
	Daily summary	11.00
	Monthly summary	11.00
	Weekly or monthly detail	11.00
	Daily comparison: Any two customers specified days	11.00
	Load duration plot	11.00
	Daily consumption plot	11.00
	Complete package (all of the above options)	180.00
5.0	**Specialized Analysis**	
	Hourly Rate	95.00

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