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Ms. Nancy McNeil
Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board
1601 Lower Water Street, 3rd Floor
Halifax, NS B3J 3S3

Re: Closing Submission of Affordable Energy Coalition Regarding Miscellaneous Charges

Dear Ms. McNeil,

On January 29, 2007, the Affordable Energy Coalition (AEC) filed its Closing Submission related to NSPI's 2007 Rate Application.

In the "Miscellaneous Charges" section of their submission, they refer to a table of information provided by NSPI to the AEC on January 23rd, showing NSPI's proposal for certain miscellaneous charges, updated to reflect the settlement agreement. This information was prepared and provided to AEC in response to questions posed to NSPI on January 22nd. This table is attached.

NSPI's approach to miscellaneous charges under the rate settlement is unchanged from that outlined in Section 10 of NSPI's Direct Evidence. Proposed charges are based on the lower of:

- Current charge increased by the average general rate of increase for above the line (ATL) rates,
- The actual cost to deliver the service.

Rate Charges are rounded to the nearest dollar. All of the miscellaneous charges in the attached table were set using the average ATL increase of 3.83%. Any difference in calculated percentage increases is due to the effect of rounding.

This is the same approach that was approved in the 2006 Rate Case. I trust this clarifies the Company's perspective on how the settlement agreement affects miscellaneous charges.

Yours truly,

Rene Gallant
Regulatory Counsel

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All Intervenors

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NSPI Miscellaneous Charges
Credit and Collection related activities

Regulation Section	Description	Current Rate	Proposed 7.5% increase from Appendix I , October 2006 Direct Evidence	Proposed 3.8% increase from January, 2007 Settlement Agreement	Actual NSPI Cost from Appendix I , October 2006 Direct Evidence
7.1 (a)	Connection/reconnection during normal working hours	$21.00	$23.00	$22.00	$39.00
7.1 (b&c)	Connection/reconnection after normal working hours	$21.00 Standard charge plus $57.00	$23.00 Standard charge plus $61.00	$22.00 Standard charge plus $59.00	$39.00 Standard charge plus $76.00
7.1 (d)	Connection/reconnection to any premises serviced by temporary service	$21.00 Standard charge plus all costs incurred by the Company	$23.00 Standard charge plus all costs incurred by the Company	$22.00 Standard charge plus all costs incurred by the Company	$39.00 Standard charge plus all costs incurred by the Company
7.1 (e)	Collection charge ("Doorknob notice")	$15.00 standard charge	$16.00 standard charge	$16.00 standard charge	$29.00 standard charge
7.1 (e)	Collection charge ("Registered Letter")	$8.00 standard charge	$9.00 standard charge	$8.00 standard charge	$17.00 standard charge
7.1 (g)	Returned Cheque Charge	$17.00	$18.00	$18.00	$18.00