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Dear Mr. Gogan and Mr. Johnston:

M09096 – EfficiencyOne (E1) Application for Approval of Supply Agreement for Electricity Efficiency and Conservation Activities between E1 and Nova Scotia Power Inc. (NS Power), the establishment of a final agreement between the parties, and approval of a 2020 – 2022 Demand Side Management (DSM) Resource Plan

The Board panel reviewing this matter is Peter W. Gurnham, Q.C., Chair; Roberta J. Clarke, Q.C., Member; and Steven M. Murphy, P. Eng., Member.

Efficiency One (E1) and Heritage Gas Limited signed a Settlement Agreement regarding concerns expressed by Heritage Gas about proposed incentives for new construction multi-unit residential buildings under E1's Custom Incentives Program. The Settlement Agreement provided for a collaborative study of the program design and operation related to electric heat pump measures in such buildings where natural gas is available.

In its decision approving the 2020-2022 DSM Plan (2019 NSUARB 105), the Board approved the Settlement Agreement which provided that the study be completed by September 30, 2019, and the evaluation and review of the study be completed by October 15, 2019. The study, undertaken by Dunskey Energy Consulting, was filed with the Board on October 15, 2019.

Heritage Gas and E1 have agreed to incorporate the recommendations of the Dunskey report to existing New Construction service in the Custom Incentives Program as outlined in E1's October 15, 2019, letter to the Board. E1 stated it proposes to adopt the resulting amendments once the Board has confirmed its acceptance of the Dunskey report. By letter dated October 15, 2019, Heritage Gas advised the Board that it supported E1's position and recommended acceptance of the Dunskey report.

The Board invited stakeholders to review the Dunskey report and provide feedback by November 4, 2019. The only comments received were those of the Small Business Advocate who stated he had no concerns with the findings. Heritage Gas indicated by letter of November 15, 2019 that it had no reply comments. E1, by letter of November 15, 2019, also indicated it had no reply comments. Both E1 and Heritage Gas asked the Board to accept the report.

The Board accepts the Dunskey report as filed and confirms its understanding that the recommendations contained in it will be adopted by E1 for the 2020-2022 DSM Plan.

Yours truly,



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