



Blackburn Law Inc.

July 14, 2025

VIA EMAIL

Ms. Crystal Henwood
Regulatory Affairs Officer/Clerk
Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board
1601 Lower Water Street, 3rd Floor
Halifax NS B3J 3S3

Dear Ms. Henwood:

**Re: M11927 - Application by NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED (NS Power)
for approval of an Authorization to Overspend (ATO) on capital application project
CI 50518 – HYD Ruth Falls Main Dam Refurbishment**

The Small Business Advocate (SBA) is writing further to NS Power's Compliance Filing dated July 4, 2025, advising that the Fisheries Act Authorization had been approved by Fisheries and Oceans Canada, and the Board's subsequent letter from the same day.

Having reviewed all of the material, the SBA does not have any further comments to add to its submissions filed on March 25, 2025, but reiterate that it remains concerned about costs and continues to respectfully request that the Board require NSPI to provide regular status updates.

Yours very truly,

Melissa P. MacAdam
Small Business Advocate