

NOVA SCOTIA ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF: THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT

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**IN THE MATTER OF: AN APPLICATION by EfficiencyOne for Approval of New Benefit
Cost Analysis Test for Evaluating Demand Side Management
(DSM) Plans**

INFORMATION REQUESTS

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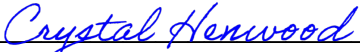
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1 **In Reference to PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF PATRICK BOWMAN**

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3 **Request IR-1:**

4 Please provide specific references to the "typical definitions and principles" applied to "sustainable
5 development" and "sustainable prosperity" by the United Nations or IISD.

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7 **Request IR-2:**

8 Please provide versions of the two tables on page 14 that also include a column for the total
9 resource cost test, adjusted to include non-energy benefits, as contemplated in "Option 1"
10 described on page 12.

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12 **Request IR-3:**

13 On pages 13-15, Mr. Bowman discussed why a focus on the program administrator test as the
14 primary test would be preferred to the "Proposed BCA". Please explain why a focus on the
15 program administrator test as the primary test would be preferred to the total resource cost test,
16 adjusted to include non-energy benefits, as contemplated in "Option 1" described on page 12.

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18 **Request IR-4:**

19 On page 15, it is stated that, "The use of a primary screening tool can help reach conclusions on
20 the cost-effectiveness of a plan, but is not an absolute requirement nor veto on any given plan
21 component." Given this, please explain why it matters whether the primary test is the program
22 administrator cost test or the "Proposed BCA".