

NOVA SCOTIA ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF: *The Public Utilities Act*, RSNS 1989, c 380, as amended

– and –

IN THE MATTER OF: An Application by EfficiencyOne for Approval of a New Benefit-Cost Analysis Test for Evaluating Demand-side Management (“DSM”) Plans

INFORMATION REQUEST

To: **Patrick Bowman**
Industrial Group (“IG”)

From: **East Coast Environmental Law (“ECEL”)**

Responses Due: August 21, 2025

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1 **Request IR-1**

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3 Refer to Exhibit E-14, “Pre-filed Testimony of Patrick Bowman”, dated July 28, 2025 (revised),
4 at page 13, line 16:

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6 “DSM analyzed at the societal level for the purpose of regulator approvals is uncommon
7 in Canada”.

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9 a) Do other energy regulators in Canada have legislated responsibilities analogous to
10 those imposed by clause 6(2)(d) of Nova Scotia’s *Energy and Regulatory Boards Act*,
11 SNS 2024, c 2, which requires the Energy Board to consider sustainable development
12 and sustainable prosperity in its decision-making? For reference, that clause states:

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14 6 (2) In approving or fixing rates, tolls, charges, tariffs, capital applications and all
15 other matters over which the Energy Board has authority, the Board shall give
16 appropriate consideration to the extent to which such rates, tolls, charges, tariffs,
17 capital applications or other matters

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21 (d) support sustainable development and sustainable prosperity[,]

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25 with the goal of approving rates, tolls, charges, tariffs, capital applications or
26 other matters that are consistent with the purpose of this Act, the *More Access to*
27 *Energy Act* and the regulations.