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Re: M09548 - Nova Scotia Power Dispatch Study Action Plan – Quarterly Update – Q2 2025

In the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board's (NSUARB, Board) Decision on the NS Power Dispatch Study, provided the following:

The Board directs NS Power to file quarterly updates on its progress towards implementing the steps of the Action Plan, starting with an update by March 31, 2023.

The Board also directs NS Power to continue working with stakeholders to update and refine the Action Plan as necessary to work towards optimal dispatch through the FAM Small Working Group. This should include substantive responses to suggestions made by stakeholders where those suggestions are not included in the Action Plan. One such suggestion that has not been included in the Action Plan is the four additional tasks Bates White suggested under the goal of implementing real-time system optimization. If these additional tasks are not undertaken, the Board expects reasoning to be provided in NS Power's first quarterly update.¹

During the FAM Small Working Group meeting held on June 27, 2025, the ECC Optimization Tools Project Team provided an in-person update related to the impact of the recent Cyber Event which has impacted progress of the project. The final impact to the initial timelines presented to both the FAM Small Working Group and the NSEB on this matter is being determined. Once the project schedule recovery plan and new implementation dates are known, NS Power will provide the Board with an update as quickly thereafter as possible.

¹ M10453, NS Power Dispatch Study, Board Decision, October 12, 2022, page 2-3.

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In accordance with the Board's Order, NS Power continues to advance this initiative as a high priority.

Yours truly,



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