

August 20, 2025

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Dear Ms. Myatt:

M12371 – Nova Scotia Power Inc. – CI C0061005 – POA Cell Capping 2025 – \$2,530,405

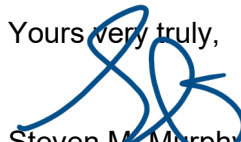
The Board has reviewed the application by Nova Scotia Power Inc. (NS Power) dated July 7, 2025. NS Power requested Board approval of a capital expenditure in the amount of \$2,530,405 for capping of Ash Disposal Cell 2 at the Point Aconi Residue Management Site. Board staff issued Information Requests on July 18, 2025, to which NS Power responded on August 11, 2025.

The Point Aconi generating station is a thermal power plant with a rated capacity of 183 MW. Ash is the byproduct of burning solid fuel at the plant to generate power, which is disposed of in Residue Management Site cells located on-site. When a cell reaches its capacity, it must be capped to minimize environmental impacts. This requirement is in accordance with Part V of the *Environment Act*, S.N.S. 1994–95, c. 1. Following an evaluation, NS Power identified that Cell 2 requires permanent capping in 2025. This capital project involves capping Ash Disposal Cell 2 and constructing an interceptor ditch to redirect uncontaminated water away from the ash management area and treatment ponds.

Based on the information provided, the Board finds the work necessary, and the corresponding cost is justified. Accordingly, this will confirm that the Board approves NS Power's request in the amount of \$2,530,405 with respect to this capital expenditure request.

Further, in accordance with the Board's directives regarding M11220, NS Power provided notice that the capital expenditure noted above is forecast to be included in the company's Decarbonization Deferral Account.

Yours very truly,



Steven M. Murphy, MBA, P.Eng.,
Panel Chair



Marc L. Dunning, P.Eng., LL.B.,
Member

NSEB APPROVAL SHEET

Project Title: POA Cell Capping 2025

CI Number: C0061005

Date: July 7, 2025

Expenditure Profile			Type of Filing	
Year	Budget Amount	Project Estimate	☒	Capital Project Authorization
2024	9,025	30,321	☐	Unforeseen and Unbudgeted (U&U)
2025	1,017,701	2,500,084	☐	Planned & Advanced (P&A)
2026	2,228,714		☒	Subsequent Approval Item
			☐	Authorization to Overspend (ATO)
			☐	Scope Change
			☐	Final Cost (FIN)
Total	\$3,255,440	\$2,530,405		

COMMENTS

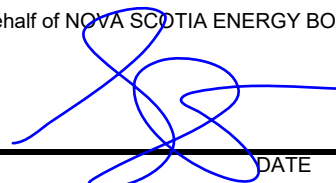
Submitted on behalf of NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED



Authorized Signatory
Dave Pickles
Chief Operating Officer

DATE
July 4, 2025

Approved on behalf of NOVA SCOTIA ENERGY BOARD



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August 20, 2025