

September 4, 2025

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Dear Ms. Myatt:

M12372 – Nova Scotia Power Inc. – CI C0067906 – POA Boiler Refurbishment 2025 - \$1,218,254

The Board has reviewed an application by Nova Scotia Power Inc. (NS Power) dated July 8, 2025, in which Board approval was requested for the following non-confidential Point Aconi (POA) Boiler Refurbishment 2025 work order:

CI # C0067906 POA Boiler Refurbishment 2025 \$1,218,254

This capital item was included in NS Power's 2025 ACE Plan with a budget of \$1,213,152, listed among the projects pending subsequent approval. In its submission, NS Power indicated that further evaluation of the work scope led to an increase in the estimated cost.

NS Power explained that it is their standard annual practice to perform repairs and replacements on boiler components to ensure compliance with specific engineering standards and regulatory requirements. The proposed work is critical to preventing equipment failures that could compromise safety, system integrity, and operational reliability.

Board staff issued Information Requests (IRs) regarding this matter on July 31, 2025, and received responses on August 22, 2025.

In its responses to the Board staff's IRs, NS Power noted that the boiler is a complex system with multiple components. It is common practice to divide maintenance of boiler pressure parts into separate projects based on individual components. This approach provides clearer visibility into maintenance investments, facilitates proper work planning, and supports effective project execution.

NS Power also noted that it has adjusted its inspection criteria to align with the planned retirement of the plant by 2030, thereby optimizing maintenance expenditures during the remaining operational period.

The Board accepts that this project is necessary and finds the associated costs to be justified. Accordingly, this confirms that the Board has approved NS Power's request for \$1,218,254, with respect to this work order.

Yours truly,

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Jennifer L. Nicholson, CPA, CA
Member

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Darlene Willcott, LL.B.
Member



NSEB APPROVAL SHEET

Project Title: POA Boiler Refurbishment 2025

CI Number: C0067906

Date: July 7, 2025

Expenditure Profile			Type of Filing	
Year	Budget Amount	Project Estimate	☒	Capital Project Authorization
2025	973,152	1,218,254	☐	Unforeseen and Unbudgeted (U&U)
2026	240,000		☐	Planned & Advanced (P&A)
			☒	Subsequent Approval Item
			☐	Authorization to Overspend (ATO)
			☐	Scope Change
			☐	Final Cost (FIN)
Total	\$1,213,152	\$1,218,254		

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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