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NOVA SCOTIA ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF: **THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT**

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IN THE MATTER OF: **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by **NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED** for Approval of its 2026 Demand Side Management Cost Recovery Riders (DCRR)

INFORMATION REQUESTS

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Crystal Henwood, Clerk of the Board

Request IR-1:

Please provide a revised Figure 1 (and all related supporting information, including excel spreadsheets) under the assumption that DSM cost allocation remains as currently approved by the Board (i.e., 75 percent to the cost of programs undertaken for the rate class, with the remaining 25 percent allocated to the system benefit of the programs).

Request IR-2:

Please confirm, or explain otherwise, that the revised allocation of DSM costs does not affect the BA component of the DCRR because it simply tracks variances between what has been collected compared to amounts previously allocated to each rate class in the past (i.e., the new allocation does not impact costs allocated to rate classes up to January 1, 2026).

Request IR-3:

On page 3 of the application, NS Power proposes that if the 2026 DCRR is not approved by January 1, 2026, the 2025 DCRR continues to apply until the 2026 DCRR is approved. On page 9, NS Power requests that the 2026 DCRR be approved on an interim basis if it is not approved by January 1, 2026. Please clarify whether NS Power is proposing that the 2025 DCRR or the 2026 DCRR be used in the interim if formal approval is not provided by January 1, 2026.

Request IR-4:

Appendix A-1, tab Data Inputs-Alloc & Amount, please identify the source of the values for 2026.

a) Did NS Power estimate the spending by rate class for 2026 using the past estimated PCR values or the actuals? Please provide supporting information.

Request IR-5:

Please explain why the Board approved values for the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) are not applied in Appendix A-2 in keeping with the associated effective dates from M10431, M11563 and M11990.

Request IR-6:

Appendix A-2, tab Table 2 (BA with Int)(2026), why is WACC applied monthly rather than annually?

a) Does NS Power remit the collection of costs associated with DSM programs to EfficiencyOne monthly? If not, please provide the frequency of payments to EOne.