

August 11, 2026

Lisa Wallace
Chief Clerk of the Board
Nova Scotia Energy Board
1601 Lower Water Street, 3rd Floor
Halifax, NS B3J 3S3

Re: M12544 – DRO Appeal – Leslie Axford – Compliance Filing

Dear Ms. Wallace:

On August 5, 2026, the Nova Scotia Energy Board (NSEB, Board) issued an Interim Decision on the Leslie Axford DRO Appeal. In its Decision, the Board directed Nova Scotia Power Inc. (NS Power, Company) to provide a full explanation of its proposed payment arrangement by August 12, 2026.

The requested information is set out below.

The proposed monthly payment of \$419 is comprised of the customer's Equal Billing Plan amount together with a repayment arrangement for the outstanding arrears balance on Ms. Axford's account.

As shown in the detailed calculations on page 3, the Equal Billing Plan amount was calculated based on the customer's historical electricity consumption of 19,329 kWh between June 2025 and April 2026. Applying the current residential energy rate of \$0.19128/kWh to this consumption results in estimated annual energy charges of \$3,697.25. Dividing this amount by 12 months results in a monthly energy cost of \$308.10. The monthly base charge of \$20.08 is then added, resulting in total monthly charges of \$328.19 before taxes and rebates. The calculation then incorporates applicable HST and the Provincial Government Rebate, resulting in an Equal Billing Plan amount of approximately \$344.69, which is rounded to \$345 per month. This amount represents the estimated monthly cost of the customer's ongoing electricity usage and associated fixed charges.

In addition, as of August 2026, Ms. Axford's account has an outstanding arrears balance of \$1,764.74. NS Power has proposed spreading repayment of this balance over 24 months, resulting in a monthly arrears repayment amount of \$73.53, which is rounded to \$74 per month.

Accordingly, the proposed monthly payment is comprised of \$345 for estimated ongoing electricity usage and \$74 for repayment of the outstanding arrears balance, for a total monthly payment of \$419.

No interest charges are included in the proposed payment arrangement. The arrears repayment amount reflects only the outstanding principal balance divided over the 24-month repayment period. No additional interest charges will be applied while the customer remains on the arrangement.

The Company considers this arrangement to be an appropriate means of addressing both ongoing electricity charges and repayment of the outstanding arrears balance.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Kind regards,



Kathleen Murray
Regulatory Counsel

Detailed Calculation of Equal Payment Amount:

Part A) Equal Billing Amount

Box A	Total kWh use for 2025:	19329	
Box B	Total monthly fixed fees:	\$20.082	Details: \$20.082 base charge
Box C	Credit/Balance remaining on account at the end of 2025:		Note: A negative amount indicates a credit.

Add any fixed fees (streetlight charges, etc.)

Step 1	Multiply the total kWh usage for the previous calendar year (see box A) by \$0.19128	\$3,697.25	This applies the current energy rate (\$0.19128/kWh).
Step 2	Divide this amount by 12 to get a monthly amount.	\$308.10	
Step 3	Add any monthly fixed fees (see box B).	\$328.19	Example: base charge.
Step 4	Multiply this by 1.05*	\$344.69	This applies both the 14% tax and 9% government rebate, the difference of which is 5%, hence the 1.05. *Note: Any monthly fixed fees other than the base charge are taxed at the full 14%, which may result in a higher amount.
Step 5	Take any credit/balance on the account that needs to be factored into the payment amount (see box C), divide it by 12, and add/subtract that amount from the above total.	\$344.69	

2026 Equal payment amount:	\$344.69
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Part B) Outstanding Arrears

Outstanding Balance as of August 2026 = \$1,764.74

24-Month Repayment Calculation = \$1,764.74 (/24 months) = \$73.53 (rounded to \$74)

Part C) Final Calculation of Equal Payment Amount

\$345 (Equal Billing Amount) + \$74 (Arrears Repayment Amount) = \$419 (Total Equal Payment Amount)