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Dear Mr. Willett:

**M12550 – To obtain a cost reasonableness review of NS Power - CI C0051815 – \$5,959,515 - RTU Replacements Program – Phase 6, as outlined in Section 2.1 of the 2025 Annual Capital Expenditure Plan decision (M12012)**

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In the Nova Scotia Energy Board's decision on the 2025 Annual Capital Expenditure (ACE) Plan (M12012), the Board, as outlined in Section 2.1 of the decision, stated that it intends to engage an expert to review the scope of project CI C0051815 and provide an opinion on the reasonableness of the estimated project costs.

The Board has engaged Protech Engineering Inc., acting as a subcontractor to Midgard Consulting Inc., to undertake the review of NS Power's CI C0051815 – \$5,959,515 - RTU Replacements Program – Phase 6, which was submitted for approval as part of the ACE application. The scope of work for Protech-Midgard includes the preparation of Information Requests (IRs) to NS Power, the preparation of an evidence report, and responses to IRs from NS Power and any ACE Intervenors regarding the evidence report. The purpose of this letter is to initiate the review process and engagements.

The following is a tentative timeline for this proceeding:

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| Notices of Participation                               | <b>Thursday, December 04, 2025</b>  |
| Information Requests from Protech/Midgard to NS Power  | <b>Wednesday, December 10, 2025</b> |
| Responses to Information Requests from NS Power        | <b>Wednesday, January 07, 2026</b>  |
| Evidence by Protech/Midgard (Board Counsel Consultant) | <b>Wednesday, January 28, 2026</b>  |

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| IRs to Board Counsel Consultants (if any)               | <b>Wednesday, February 11, 2026</b> |
| Responses to IRs from Intervenors and NS Power (if any) | <b>Wednesday, March 04, 2026</b>    |
| NS Power Rebuttal Evidence                              | <b>Wednesday, March 18, 2026</b>    |
| Written Submissions by Intervenors                      | <b>Wednesday, April 01, 2026</b>    |
| Written Reply Submissions by NS Power                   | <b>Friday, April 17, 2026</b>       |

Any of the Intervenors from the 2025 ACE Plan, M12012, proceeding who is interested in participating in this proceeding must notify the Clerk of the Board by December 04, 2025.

The Board's Regulatory Rules will apply to this matter, including Rule 7(3) with respect to filing by 2:00 pm on any date a document is due.

Yours very truly,



Crystal Henwood  
Clerk of the Board

- c. ACE 2025 Intervenors  
Midgard Consulting Inc.  
William L. Mahody, K.C., Board Counsel

