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Dear Ms. Myatt:

M12596 – Nova Scotia Power Inc. – CI C0080228 – HYD Hollow Bridge Generator Refurbishment – \$2,587,170 (U&U)

The Board has reviewed Nova Scotia Power Incorporated's (NS Power) application dated December 1, 2025. NS Power requested Board approval of a capital expenditure for the refurbishment of the generator of the Hollow Bridge Hydro Unit, including the rewind of both the electrical generator - rotor and stator at an estimated cost of \$2,587,170. Board staff issued Information Requests (IRs) on December 12, 2025, to which the utility responded on January 9, 2026.

A request for confidentiality following *Rule 12* of the *Board Regulatory Rules* was submitted by NS Power on December 1, 2025. The Board approved NS Power's request for confidentiality.

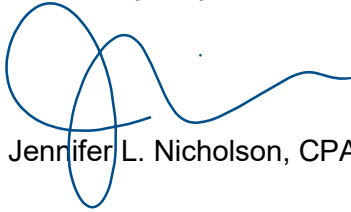
The Hollow Bridge Hydro Unit, located on the Black River Hydro System, has been operating since 1940. The utility stated that the unit is rated at 5.3 MW and produces approximately 25.5 GWh per year.

In the application, the utility noted that an unforeseen stator fault occurred in September 2025, causing significant winding damage and forcing the unit offline. Testing confirmed widespread insulation degradation in both the generator's rotor and stator, making partial repairs impractical. The utility also provided a third-party vendor assessment of the damage and the estimated cost.

In response to IR-2(f), the utility stated that, due to the type of construction and the widespread nature of the faults, it was determined that repairing the unit with bypassed coils alone was no longer feasible. All coils will be removed, and any faulty sections will be replaced.

Based on the information provided, the Board finds the work necessary, and the corresponding cost is justified. Accordingly, this will confirm that the Board has approved NS Power's request in the amount of \$2,587,170, with respect to this capital expenditure request.

Yours very truly,

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Jennifer L. Nicholson, CPA, CA



NSEB APPROVAL SHEET

Project Title: HYD Hollow Bridge Generator Refurbishment

CI Number: C0080228

Date: December 1, 2025

Expenditure Profile			Type of Filing	
Year	Budget Amount	Project Estimate	☐	Capital Project Authorization
2025		715,901	☒	Unforeseen and Unbudgeted (U&U)
2026		1,871,269	☐	Planned & Advanced (P&A)
			☐	Subsequent Approval Item
			☐	Authorization to Overspend (ATO)
			☐	Scope Change
			☐	Final Cost (FIN)
Total	\$0	\$2,587,170		

COMMENTS

Submitted on behalf of NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED



Authorized Signatory
Dave Pickles
Chief Operating Officer

DATE
November 28, 2025

Approved on behalf of NOVA SCOTIA ENERGY BOARD



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