

Regarding Matter No. M12641

Dear Ms. Wallace

I acknowledge receipt of the reply from Kathleen Murray of Nova Scotia Power provided on January 6, 2026 that we were both copied on.

Ms. Murray seems to indicate that in the first billing of any following year we are given credit for any of the unused production from our self-generators that may have been produced for the entire previous year, that was not in excess of our usage... as I do not have this bill in hand until the end of this month and this will be my first year with this recalculation I will have to look over at that point and verify this... a couple of questions in the meantime, if I may, that may apply to both respondents:

1. Is there anywhere that shows me my self-generators excess production of kwh that have been transferred over to NS Power? I don't seem to see on my bill, if you can let me know if I should be looking elsewhere it would be appreciated.

As your billing periods are not conducive to calendar year (first bill of 2025 year went from Dec. 2, 2024 - Feb 3, 2025 and the bill you will be utilizing for our final credit goes from Nov 28, 2025 until end of January 2026) you must be tracking our overproduction credits monthly somewhere, where can I access this information? Or do you use your billing cycle for 6 periods which does not strictly follow the calendar year, if so again can I access the over-production credits for these periods somewhere?

2. I understand that Bill 145 states that we will not be paid back for any generated power over and above what we utilize in a given year but I do not understand why we would not simply hold a credit in our account for this amount for any over generation in a calendar year.

As our solar panels, or other power generators age, they become less productive, or in a year with a bad winter when snow covers our panels they are not producing while covered... as this is power we have generated why can we not retain these credits from the previous year to be utilized as our panels age and are less productive? Who made this decision that we cannot hold a credit for future use and why was this decision made?

3. If I am told no to question 2, and that there shall be no discussion; that the balance of any excess annual generated power must be relinquished to NS Power then why can this excess from all of us not perhaps be donated via a credit to the billing of charitable organizations? This is, again, power not generated by NS Power.

I thank you for your patience with my questions... As self-generation becomes more and more popular this annual re-set and zeroing out of our generation will become a larger and larger pool of energy that NS Power has resold for 100% profit... I think we have to rethink why homeowners cannot retain their overgeneration for leaner months/years. I would love to know the total of Nova Scotian's self-generated excess, that is reset to zero in January of every year, adds to the bottom line of NS Powers profit...

My best, Bonnie MacLean

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