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VIA EMAIL

Ms. Crystal Henwood
Clerk of the Board
Nova Scotia Energy Board
1601 Lower Water Street, 3rd Floor
Halifax NS B3J 3S3

Dear Ms. Henwood:

Re: M12661 – NSPI – Application for Approval of an Above-the-Line Tariff applicable to Port Hawkesbury Paper (PHP)

I am writing further to the Industrial Group's letter of today's date, requesting that this Application be converted into an oral hearing.

The Small Business Advocate supports the comments and the request made by the Industrial Group, noting that this is a complicated application with multiple positions that require testing through cross-examination.

Yours truly,

Melissa P. MacAdam
Small Business Advocate