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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: M12663 – Nova Scotia Independent Energy System Operator (IESO Nova Scotia) –
2026/2027 Revenue Requirement – Proposed Temporary Financial Relief**

The Small Business Advocate (SBA) has reviewed the rebuttal evidence filed by IESO Nova Scotia yesterday, as well as the letters submitted by the Consumer Advocate (CA) and the Industrial Group representative (IG) today.

The SBA agrees with the comments from both the CA and IG with respect to the additional evidence included in the IESO-Nova Scotia rebuttal evidence. It represents new information that was not available to intervenors when their comments were first filed.

Accordingly, the SBA supports the requests set out in the correspondence from the CA and IG and respectfully requests that IESO Nova Scotia be required to respond to the information requests identified by the IG in their letter prior to the intervenors being provided the opportunity to file additional comments on the issue of the proposed Temporary Financial Relief.

Yours truly,



Melissa P. MacAdam
Small Business Advocate