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Dear Mr. Peachey:

M12717 – North American Electric Reliability Corporation – Quarterly Application for Approval of Reliability Standards – Fourth Quarter 2025

The Board Member assigned to this matter is Richard J. Melanson, LL.B. The Board has reviewed the IESO Nova Scotia Recommendations dated March 25, 2026. With respect to the effective date, at p.5, the EISO Nova Scotia commented:

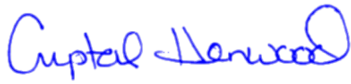
In this case, NERC applied for approval of revised glossary definitions for Generator Owner (GO) and Generator Operator (GOP) with an effective date of January 1, 2026. The IESO notes that the effective date is retroactive but does not anticipate any related negative impacts. Alternatively, the IESO does not object to a future effective date at the discretion of the NSEB.

While the Board would ordinarily not impose an effective date before the date of its decision, this recommendation is not inconsistent with this approach. However, the comment did cause the Board to consider the potential impact of its approval on entities other than NS Power and the IESO Nova Scotia. The Board is not directly involved in initial NERC registrations with the system operator in Nova Scotia, although that role will change once the relevant provisions of the *More Access to Energy Act* are proclaimed. To avoid unintended consequences, the Board has attached some background Information Requests about the current and future landscape related to generation entities that are, or will be, accessing the transmission grid and could potentially meet the revised glossary definitions of GO and GOP.

Please note that the Board understands the transition of system operator functions from NS Power to the IESO Nova Scotia is being done in phases. That said, the Board does not wish to unnecessarily complicate the process by asking the same IRs to both entities. If input from NS Power is required to respond to any aspect of these IRs, please seek the information from that source and it can be attributed as such in the response.

If you have any questions about the foregoing, please contact Mr. Singh, whose particulars are set out in the Information Requests document.

Yours truly,



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