

NOVA SCOTIA ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT

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IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION by **EFFICIENCYONE** for approval of the 2027-2031 Demand-Side Management (DSM) Purchase Agreement between EfficiencyOne and Nova Scotia Power Incorporated, the establishment of a final agreement between the parties, and approval of a 2027-2031 Demand-Side Management (DSM) Resource Plan

BEFORE:



Stephen T. McGrath, K.C., Chair
Steven M. Murphy, MBA, P.Eng., Member
Darlene Willcott, LL.B., Member

HEARING ORDER

On March 31, 2026, EfficiencyOne (E1) applied to the Board to approve the 2027-2031 Demand-Side Management Purchase Agreement between EfficiencyOne and Nova Scotia Power Incorporated, the establishment of a final agreement between the parties, and approval of a 2027-2031 Demand-Side Management (DSM) Resource Plan.

The Board orders that:

1. The public hearing for this matter will start on **Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at 9:00 am**, at the **Offices of the Board, Summit Place, 3rd Floor, 1601 Lower Water Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia**, and continue until **Friday, August 7, 2026, if necessary**.
2. There will be an evening session on **Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at 6:30 pm**, **provided there are registered speakers by the deadline of Monday, July 6, 2026**.
3. The following timetable will apply to this proceeding:

Notices of Formal Intervention

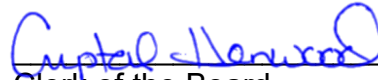
Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Information Requests to E1	Thursday, May 7, 2026
Responses to IRs from E1	Thursday, May 28, 2026
Filing of Verification Report	Tuesday, June 2, 2026
IRs on Verification Report	Tuesday, June 9, 2026
IR Responses on Verification Report	Tuesday, June 16, 2026
Evidence filed by Formal Intervenors	Tuesday, June 23, 2026
Requests for Virtual Appearances of Witnesses	Tuesday June 30, 2026
Objections to Virtual Appearances	Monday, July 6, 2026
IRs to Intervenors	Monday, July 6, 2026
Letters of Comment	Monday, July 6, 2026
Requests to Speak at Evening Session	Monday, July 6, 2026
IR Responses from Intervenors	Friday, July 17, 2026
Rebuttal Evidence from E1	Friday, July 24, 2026
Witness Lists	Wednesday, July 29, 2026
Opening Statements	Wednesday, July 29, 2026
Hearing Commences	Tuesday, August 4, 2026

4. E1 must publish the attached Notice of Hearing in the **Halifax Chronicle Herald** and the **Cape Breton Post** in accordance with the following schedule:
 - Wednesday, April 15, 2026
 - Saturday, April 18, 2026
5. E1 must post a copy of the Application on its website and social media accounts.
6. The Clerk of the Board will provide a copy of the Hearing Order and Notice of Hearing to interested parties in electricity matters, post it on the Board's website under Notices of Hearing and on the Board's social media accounts.

7. The *Board's Regulatory Rules* will apply to this Application, including Rule 7(3) with respect to filing by **2:00 p.m.** on any date a document is due.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 7th day of April 2026.


Clerk of the Board