

NOVA SCOTIA ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF: The *Public Utilities Act*, R.S.N.S. 1989, c.380 as amended

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IN THE MATTER OF: 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 Inc., the establishment of a final agreement between the parties, and approval of a 2027–2031 Demand Side Management (DSM) Resource Plan.

CONFIDENTIAL UNDERTAKING

I, _____,
of _____,
representing _____,

herby undertake and agree to abide by all the terms attached in Schedule “A” hereto.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this _____ day of _____, 2026

Signed: _____

Print Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Schedule "A"

1. The EfficiencyOne ("EOne") will provide Designated Confidential Information, as defined herein, to the Designated Recipients as defined below.
2. Designated Confidential Information shall consist of material, whether printed or electronic, which has been designated by the EOne as confidential information, including proprietary information received from consultants of EOne, and other commercially sensitive information. This includes information which has been filed with the Nova Scotia Energy Board (the "Board") in confidence on the date of filing the Application for approval of the 2026 DSM Extension and any further material that may be filed with the Board in confidence whether in response to future Information Requests or otherwise, and whether printed or electronic. In particular, without limiting the foregoing, the redacted portions of the following are deemed to be Designated Confidential Information:

- (a) E1's response to NSEB IR 17, Attachment 2 PDF Mercer Compensation Review

Designated Confidential Information shall also include any explanation or other information provided by EOne to a Designated Recipient concerning the foregoing and which has been identified by EOne as confidential at the time it is initially provided, whether printed or electronic. Designated Confidential Information shall also include any password or other information necessary to access electronic copies of Designated Confidential Information.

3. Access to Designated Confidential Information shall be restricted to the party who has signed the undertaking to which this schedule is attached, that party's counsel and/or consultant who shall each be considered a Designated Recipient.
4. As a condition precedent to receiving Designated Confidential Information, the Designated Recipients shall sign the undertaking to which this schedule is attached.
5. No Designated Confidential Information furnished by EOne shall be given or communicated to persons other than the Designated Recipients. For greater certainty, no Designated Confidential Information shall be provided to the clients of Designated Recipients, to other Intervenor or to employees, officers or members of Intervenor.
6. Where a reference to Designated Confidential Information is required in correspondence with the Board or others, such reference shall be by citation of title or exhibit number only or by some other non-confidential description which protects the confidentiality of the information. In such circumstances, counsel and other designated persons shall make every reasonable effort to preserve the confidentiality of the information provided by EOne.

7. Where an Intervenor files testimony which contains Designated Confidential Information, the testimony must be filed on a confidential basis and the Designated Confidential Information must be specifically identified as such. In addition, Designated Parties will not object to the Board sitting *in Camera* to hear such evidence if requested by EOne.
8. Should any appeal or challenge to the Board's decision in this proceeding be taken, any portions of the record which have been designated or agreed to be confidential shall be forwarded to the court in accordance with applicable laws and procedures but under seal and designated confidential.
9.
 - (a) Unless otherwise precluded by law, within 30 days after the Board has reached a final decision in this proceeding, each person to whom Designated Confidential Information has been provided shall return to NS Power such Designated Confidential Information and shall destroy all documents, notes and other materials containing or reflecting, directly or indirectly, Designated Confidential Information, whether printed or electronic, and shall provide an affidavit of compliance to NS Power respecting same.
 - (b) Notwithstanding paragraph 9(a), all members in good standing of the Nova Scotia Barrister's Society ("Counsel") who sign this Undertaking will be relieved from the requirement to destroy Designated Confidential Information. Counsel may maintain possession of all personal documents, notes or other material containing or reflecting Designated Confidential Information that belong to clients of Counsel or to advisors or consultants to Counsel. Counsel may return all such information and documentation to the client, advisor or consultant once a new Undertaking has been signed by the client, advisor or consultant in any new NS Power regulatory proceeding.
 - (c) The use of Designated Confidential Information from any rate case or other proceeding will be solely in relation to regulatory proceedings involving NS Power, before the Board.