

NOVA SCOTIA ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF: THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT

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**IN THE MATTER OF: AN APPLICATION by NOVA SCOTIA POWER INC. for approval
of CI C0061552 – L6043 Replacements and Upgrades Phase 1 –
\$3,603,351 (FIN)**

INFORMATION REQUESTS

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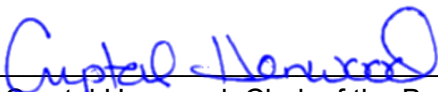
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Nova Scotia Energy Board

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Request IR-1:

The project was included in the 2025 ACE Plan with an estimated cost of \$1,346,809 and was deferred to 2027. In the 2026 ACE Plan, the estimate increased to \$2,457,629, and the current submission is \$3,603,351. Please explain the reasons for the change in project timing and the increases in the estimated cost. In addition, provide a comparable cost breakdown for each estimate using the same level of detail presented on page 3 of this application.

Request IR-2:

Please explain how the lot Unit Estimates for Wood Poles, Insulators, and O/H Conductors under each of "Materials" and "Contracts" were calculated and explain any differences in unit prices used for the calculations.

Request IR-3:

- a) Please provide the evidence supporting the decision to advance this project based on asset deterioration. Identify the affected assets and summarize the inspection results, condition assessments, or other supporting evidence that demonstrates the need to proceed.
- b) Compare the condition of the assets at the time the project was deferred to 2027 with their current condition, and describe:
 - i. Any deterioration that has occurred since the deferral and its extent;
 - ii. The impact of this deterioration on the project's timing, scope, and estimated cost; and
 - iii. The risks to asset reliability and service continuity if the project is deferred further.

Request IR-4:

Please provide details of all outages and maintenance activities associated with the line over the past five years, including:

- a) The date, duration, and cause of each outage;
- b) The maintenance work performed, including whether it was planned or unplanned;
- c) The annual maintenance costs incurred; and
- d) Any trends or recurring issues that have contributed to the need for this project.

Request IR-5:

Please provide details of the contracted work for the project, including:

- 1 a) The procurement process undertaken, including the procurement method, number of
- 2 bidders, evaluation process, and the basis for contractor selection; and
- 3 b) Comparison of contract rates and prices with recent comparable work.