

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 INCORPORATED
for the Storm Outage Analysis Report – March 17, 2026

INFORMATION REQUESTS

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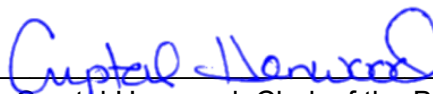
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Request IR-1:

- a) Please explain why the Halifax forced switching outage listed on page seven of the report was classified as a scheduled outage and included in the storm event totals.
- b) Please reconcile the classification of the Cape Breton East loss of supply event as involving a "Transmission Line" with the description stating that a distribution line fault tripped a substation transformer.

Request IR-2:

Please explain the criteria used to determine whether an outage was attributed to the event, including outages beginning after peak weather conditions had passed.

Request IR-3:

For the circuits associated with the largest tree related events by customer hours of interruption, please provide:

- a) The number of tree contact outage events, customer interruptions and customer hours of interruption by region and circuit;
- b) The date and scope of the most recent vegetation management work;
- c) The applicable vegetation management cycle; and
- d) Prior tree related outage history.

Request IR-4:

Please expand the comparison with Tropical Storm Elsa to include:

- a) Total utility customers at the time of each event;
- b) Number of outage events;
- c) Unique customers interrupted;
- d) Customer interruptions
- e) Individual customer restoration duration bands;
- f) Event duration;
- g) Geographic concentration;
- h) Internal and external resource hours; and
- i) Total and per customer restoration costs.

1 **Request IR-5:**

2 Please provide a summary breakdown of the restoration costs by:

- 3 a) Regular and overtime internal labour;
- 4 b) Contracts;
- 5 c) Vegetation management;
- 6 d) Materials and equipment;
- 7 e) Travel; and
- 8 f) Other costs.

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10 **Request IR-6:** .

- 11 a) Please provide the number and percentage of outage events for which an initial estimated
- 12 restoration time was issued;
- 13 b) The accuracy of estimated restoration times including the percentage restored within one
- 14 to four hours of the communicated estimates.