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Dear Mr. Williams:

M12919 - Nova Scotia Power Dispatch Study Action Plan – Quarterly Update – Q2 2026

The Board received NS Power's 2026 Q2 report on its Dispatch Study Action Plan on June 29, 2026.

In its previous report, NS Power expected to implement its Economic Dispatch Optimization Solution by the end of June 2026. In its current report, NS Power noted that a major defect was encountered during user acceptance testing, but it had since been remediated. This resulted in a further delay of the implementation date to July 2026.

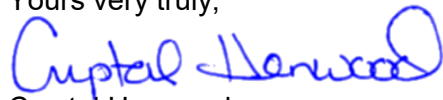
In response to information requests, NS Power advised that the defect was due to the vendor's misinterpretation of the design requirements. This related to the use of the word 'daily' in the requirements, which the vendor assumed to be equivalent to a calendar day, rather than a rolling 24-hour day.

NS Power noted that the estimated costs of the remediation are \$98,309. NS Power further stated that the identification and remediation of defects during the user acceptance testing phase of the project is included within the scope of the project, and the project's capital budget.

In this instance, the Board is satisfied with NS Power's explanation about the circumstances surrounding the misinterpretation. However, the Board emphasizes the importance of drafting work scopes as clearly as possible to minimize the risk of miscommunication which may result in delay and expense. The Board also cautions that the inclusion of costs within an approved budget does not establish that the expenditure was prudent. Where additional costs are incurred that could reasonably have been avoided, a finding of imprudence may be warranted.

The report is accepted as filed.

Yours very truly,



Crystal Henwood
Clerk of the Board