

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
made pursuant to Section 3G(1) of the Electricity Act or Section
83(1) of the Public Utilities Act for approval of Changes to the
Renewable to Retail Market associated Tariffs and Terms and
Conditions

INFORMATION REQUESTS

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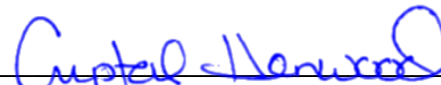
From: **Board Staff**
Nova Scotia Energy Board

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Request IR-1:

Page 2 of the application states that the amount for the Distribution Aggregation Service (DAS) Tariff has not been established but it will be included in the 2027 Annually Adjusted Rates (AARs). When does Nova Scotia Power (NS Power) intend on filing the 2027 AAR application?

- a) NS Power referenced a possible scenario in which the DAS Tariff is not approved before the Board's decision on the 2027 AARs, operating costs will be deferred for future recovery. Will the same treatment be applied if the Standby Service, Energy Balancing and Distribution Tariffs are not approved prior to the effective date?

Request IR-2:

Page 3 of the application references a commercial commitment required of the Licensed Retail Supplier (LRS) to allow NS Power to recognize the LRS's resources as providing long-term capacity value to NS Power's electricity system. Please elaborate on this commitment, and the benefits to both parties.

- a) Please explain if this commercial commitment applies specifically to Renewall or any LRS.

Request IR-3:

Page 3 references administrative related updates to align with approved definitions in related tariffs. Please list, by tariff, the administrative-related updates in this application and their associated costs.

Request IR-4:

Attachment 3, pdf page 65, states that the Nova Scotia Independent Energy System Operator of (IESO-NS) may assume responsibility for oversight of the RtR market. Please discuss NS Power's expectations of the IESO-NS's role in relation to the RtR market and outline NS Power's oversight of the RtR Market.

Request IR-5:

In Appendix 2, pdf page 23, which outlines the Proposed Changes for the Distribution Tariff, Power Advisory references ongoing uncertainty about incremental system costs from allowing RtR supply to include distribution connected generation and surplus net billing and how charges apply.

- a) Please discuss the charges that NS Power believes would apply to the generator/customer.

- b) Please outline the potential incremental system costs NS Power believes may be incurred through allowing RtR to account for behind the meter generation on NS Power's distribution system and how these are unique from NS Power's net metering programs.

Request IR-6:

Attachment 3, pdf page 60, identifies system changes to perform separate tracking of import and export transactions. Please explain how and why tracking customers' imports and exports from net metering customers will be different from the current tracking process NS Power uses for its customers.

Request IR-7:

Attachment 3, pdf page 68, refers to losses associated with distribution-connected generation. What is the value of losses associated with NS Power's net metering customers?

- a) Why would the RtR distribution-connected generation be different?
- b) Does NS Power consider that the treatment of these losses as significant enough to warrant compensation/adjustment?

Request IR-8:

Attachment 4, pdf page 72, Distribution-Connected Aggregation Service Tariff, the Administration Charge estimates the monthly charge using the forecast number of LRS' subscribed as part of the denominator.

Request IR-9:

Attachment 4, pdf page 72, Distribution-Connected Aggregation Service Tariff, Special Conditions, with reference to special condition 2, please provide a copy of the written operating agreement that the LRS' customers and generators will be expected to agree to.

- a) Please list the conditions under this agreement that differ from the operating agreement between NS Power and its net metering customers.

Request IR-10:

Attachment 7, pdf page 106, Special Condition (5)(v) states that the LRS's resource will run to meet NS Power's reliability requirements. In Power Advisory's jurisdictional scan, was a similar stipulation found in one of the utilities?

1 a) If so, please cite which utility and which specific Special Condition or requirement applies
2 this condition in an agreement with a LRS or similar agency?
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4 **Request IR-11:**

5 In Attachment 12, the addition 9.8 on pdf page 176, requires the LRS to tell its customers who
6 generate electricity that is exported to NS Power's grid, that if the LRS ends its net billing
7 arrangement in the RtR market and returns to NS Power service and wants to participate in the
8 net metering program, there may be a de-rating of the customer's distribution-connected behind-
9 the-meter generator to adhere to the legislated limits of the net metering options as stipulated in
10 the *Electricity Act*. Please explain why and under what conditions a new or returning NS Power
11 customer may have their behind the meter generator de-rated.