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Dear Mr. Russell:

Re: M12257: Halifax Regional Water Commission – 2025 General Rate Application (GRA) – Extension Request

On July 25, 2025, the Board received a letter from the Rental Housing Providers Nova Scotia (RHPNS) requesting that the Monday, August 25, 2025, filing dates for "Letters of Comment" and "Requests to Speak" be changed to Monday, September 8, 2025.

This request was considered by the Board panel, comprised of Roland A. Deveau, K.C., Vice Chair; Julia E. Clark, LL.B., Vice Chair; Richard J. Melanson, LL.B., Member; Bruce H. Fisher, MPA, CPA, Member; and Marc Dunning, P.Eng., LL.B., Member.

The Board agrees to extend the filing dates for Letters of Comment and Requests to Speak from the public, but only from Monday, August 25 to Tuesday, September 2 (Monday is Labour Day). For reasons of fairness and natural justice, Halifax Water should have a chance to address letters of comment in its Rebuttal Evidence, which is due Thursday, September 4, 2025. Also, for logistical reasons related to holding this hearing starting September 15, 2025, Board staff and the parties need to receive letters of comment and requests to speak to prepare for the hearing (including settlement discussions and opening statements due the prior week). The Board directs that this extension will be posted on the Board's website and its social media accounts.

Finally, your request to the Board was not copied to the other parties and is copied as an attachment to this letter. In the future, please ensure that all communication to the Board on this matter is copied to all participants in accordance with the Participants List issued by the Board.

Yours truly,

Pamela McGarrigle

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c. M12257 Parties

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