

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 adjustments to the direct monthly payments made by the Open Access Transmission Tariff serviced Municipal Electric Utilities for the 2026 Demand Side Management Cost Recovery Rider (DCRR).

BEFORE:



Stephen T. McGrath, K.C., Chair
Roland A. Deveau, K.C., Vice Chair
Steven M. Murphy, MBA, P.Eng., Member

DECISION and ORDER

NOVA SCOTIA POWER INCORPORATED (NS Power) applied to the Nova Scotia Energy Board for approval of its 2026 DCRR effective January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, in matter M12521. The Board issued an interim order to continue the approved 2025 DCRR charges effective January 1, 2026, until a final order is made pending the resolution of NS Power's general rate application (M12451).

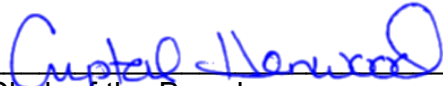
In the Board's final order for M12521, the monthly payment amounts for the four Municipal Electric Utilities (MEUs) taking service under the Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) were effective January 1, 2026. However, the Board allowed for the MEUs to choose to adjust their 2026 monthly payments to account for the difference between the interim and approved monthly payments. NS Power was directed to promptly notify the Board if the MEUs decided to do so.

On May 15, 2026, NS Power filed notice with the Board that the OATT MEUs have elected to adjust their direct monthly payments approved in M12521. NS Power proposed to adjust the monthly payments starting May 2026 so that the total DCRR direct monthly payments for January to December 2026 equal the total approved DCRR amounts.

The Board received confirmation of the requested treatment of the 2026 DCRR adjustments from the MEUs on May 22, 2026.

The Board approves the adjustments to the monthly payments made by the four Open Access Transmission Tariff serviced Municipal Electric Utilities as contemplated in Table 1 in NS Power's letter to the Board dated May 15, 2026, effective May 1, 2026.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 15th day of July, 2026.



Clerk of the Board