

**DECISION**

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**NOVA SCOTIA REGULATORY AND APPEALS BOARD**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE INSURANCE ACT**

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**IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION** by **CAA INSURANCE COMPANY** for approval  
to maintain its rates and risk-classification system for miscellaneous vehicles

**BEFORE:** **Darlene Willcott, LL.B., Member**

**APPLICANT:** **CAA INSURANCE COMPANY**

**FINAL SUBMISSIONS:** **July 22, 2025**

**DECISION DATE:** **August 8, 2025**

**DECISION:** **Application is approved.**

## **I INTRODUCTION**

[1] CAA Insurance Company (CAA) applied to the Nova Scotia Regulatory and Appeals Board to maintain its rates and risk-classification system for miscellaneous vehicles. Miscellaneous vehicles include all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), motorhomes, snow vehicles, and trailers.

[2] The Board must consider whether the proposed rates and risk-classification system are just and reasonable and in compliance with the *Insurance Act (Act)* and its *Regulations*. The Board is satisfied that CAA's application meets these requirements and approves the company's proposed changes.

## **II ANALYSIS**

[3] CAA applied under the Board's *Rate Filing Requirements for Automobile Insurance – Section 155G Prior Approval - Minor (Rate Filing Requirements)*. Board staff prepared a report to the Board with recommendations on the application (Staff Report). Before providing the Staff Report to the Board, Board staff shared it with CAA. The company reviewed the report and informed Board staff that it had no further comments.

[4] When a company proposes no change to its rates under the Section 155G – Prior Approval – Minor filing requirements, the Board does not require the company to provide actuarial support for the proposal. As permitted, CAA provided no new rating profiles. The only issue for the Board to consider is whether CAA is eligible to use these Rate Filing Requirements.

Eligibility to Use Section 155G – Prior Approval - Minor

[5] To use a *Section 155G – Prior Approval – Minor* application, the annual written premium for each class of vehicle must be less than the threshold established by the Board for those vehicles. For each class of vehicle, CAA's annual written premium was lower than the respective Board threshold. Board staff advised that CAA is eligible to use a *Section 155G – Prior Approval - Minor* application for all four vehicle types in this application. The Board agrees.

Analysis of Proposed Rates

[6] While the Board requires no support from CAA, Board staff prepared a comparison table of CAA average premiums by coverage to the most recently available industry average premiums as reported in the General Insurance Statistical Agency (GISA) exhibits for all vehicles (except trailers as this information is not available). The comparison suggests the CAA average premiums are comparable to the industry average standards, providing support for CAA's proposal. Board staff recommend the Board approve the CAA proposal to leave rates unchanged for all these vehicles. The Board agrees.

Automobile Insurance Manual

[7] CAA is not proposing any changes to its Automobile Insurance Manual. Board staff reviewed the Manual on file and did not find any violations of the *Regulations*. CAA's Automobile Insurance Manual is not changing because of this proposal. Therefore, the Board does not require an updated manual from CAA.

### III. SUMMARY

[8] The Board finds that CAA's application follows the *Act* and *Regulations*, as well as the *Rate Filing Requirements*.

[9] The Board finds the proposed rates are just and reasonable, and approves the changes effective October 1, 2025, for new and renewal business.

[10] The financial information supplied by CAA satisfies the Board, under Section 155l(1)(c) of the *Act*, that the proposal for no change is unlikely to impair the solvency of the company.

[11] The application qualifies to set a new mandatory filing date under the *Mandatory Filing of Automobile Insurance Rates Regulations*. The new mandatory filing date for CAA for miscellaneous vehicles is July 1, 2028.

[12] An Order will issue accordingly.

**DATED** at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025.



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Darlene Willcott