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**Rachel L. Jones
Registrar of Regulations
Province of Nova Scotia**

The Governor in Council on the report and recommendation of the Minister of Energy dated December 12, 2025, and pursuant to Section 32 of the Schedule to Chapter 18 of the Acts of 2025, the *Electricity Act*, is pleased to amend the *Green Choice Program Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 155/2023, made by the Governor in Council by Order in Council 2023-234 dated August 29, 2023, to update Act citations and make changes to the definition of “aggregate partnership”, the application process, subscription terms and conditions and the review of fixed administrative costs, in the manner set forth in Schedule “A” attached to and forming part of the Report and Recommendation, effective on and after February 17, 2026.

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Tracey Taweel

Clerk of the Executive Council


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Schedule “A”

**Amendment to the *Green Choice Program Regulations*
made by the Governor in Council under
Section 32 of the Schedule to Chapter 18 of the Acts of 2025,
the *Electricity Act***

- 1 Subsection 2(2) of the *Green Choice Program Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 155/2023, made by the Governor in Council by Order in Council 2023-234 dated August 29, 2023, is amended by,
 - (a) in the definition of “aggregate partnership”, adding “at the time of the partnership’s application to the Green Choice Program” immediately after “annually”; and
 - (b) in the definition of “eligible electricity”, striking out “Section 4B or 4BA” and substituting “Sections 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32”.
- 2 Section 5 of the regulations is amended by striking out “4BA(3)” and substituting “30(3)”.
- 3 Section 6 of the regulations is amended by adding the following subsection immediately after subsection (6):
 - (7) If an applicant who is an existing participant applies through an application intake window to increase their subscription volume,
 - (a) they may apply to increase their subscription volume by any amount;
 - (b) they are not required to meet the requirements of Section 3; and
 - (c) they will receive priority over new applicants applying through the same application intake window.
- 4 (1) Subsection 12(3) of the regulations is amended by striking out “4BB(2)” and substituting “31(2)”.

- (2) Section 12 of the regulations is further amended by adding the following subsection immediately after subsection (3):
- (4) The Board must review the fixed administrative costs set out in this Section at least once every 5 years.
- 5 Subsection 13(1) of the regulations is amended by striking out “Section 4B” and substituting “Sections 27, 28 and 29”.
- 6 Section 16 of the regulations is amended by adding the following subsection immediately after subsection (5):
- (6) A participant who is 1 of the entities described in Section 3 may reduce their subscription volume in accordance with these regulations and the participant agreement to an amount below the minimum subscription volumes described in Section 3 during the term of their participant agreement.