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Peter Gregg, President & CEO
Nova Scotia Power Inc.
1223 Lower Water Street
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Halifax, NS
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Dear Peter Gregg:

RE: Environmental Assessment – Nova Scotia Power Incorporated, NS-NB Reliability Intertie Project, Cumberland and Colchester Counties, Nova Scotia

The environmental assessment of the proposed NS-NB Reliability Intertie Project in Cumberland and Colchester Counties, Nova Scotia has been completed.

This letter is to advise that I have approved the above project in accordance with Section 40 of the Nova Scotia *Environment Act*, S.N.S., 1994-95 and subsection 13(1)(b) of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, N.S. Reg. 348/2022, made under the Act. Following a review of the information provided by Nova Scotia Power Incorporated, and the information provided by the Mi'kmaq of Nova Scotia, and the public during consultation on the environmental assessment, I am satisfied that any adverse effects or significant environmental effects of the undertaking can be adequately mitigated through compliance with the attached terms and conditions.

If you have any questions regarding the approval of this project, please contact Bridget Tutty, Manager, Environmental Assessment Branch, at (902) 452-7891 or via email at Bridget.Tutty@novascotia.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T. Halman".

Honourable Timothy Halman, MLA
Minister of Environment and Climate Change

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c: Bridget Tutty, Environment and Climate Change