Nova Scotia Regulatory and Appeals Board

One (1) Full-time Board Member (Engineer)

Competition Number UARB 09-24

The Nova Scotia Regulatory and Appeals Board (Board) will be an independent quasi-judicial body having both regulatory and adjudicative jurisdiction flowing from the *Energy and Regulatory Boards Act* and various other statutes. The Board will be a division of the Energy and Regulatory Boards Tribunal, which will succeed the existing Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board. The Board's mandates will include authority over approximately 50 water utilities throughout the province, property assessment appeals, auto insurance rates, and planning appeals. More information about these and other mandates assigned to the new Board can be found on the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board website at: https://nsuarb.novascotia.ca/. Please note that the new Board's mandates include all authority assigned to the Utility and Review Board, except for the jurisdiction that has been specifically assigned to the Nova Scotia Energy Board (i.e., authority over electric, geothermal, and electricity efficiency and conservation utilities, the Halifax Water district energy project, gas distribution, pipelines and gas plants, subsurface energy storage facilities, and petroleum products pricing).

The Board is currently seeking applications for one full-time Member position as follows:

 One Member possessing a Bachelor's degree in Engineering, with significant engineering experience. You must be (or meet the requirements to be) registered as a Full Member (P.Eng) with Engineers Nova Scotia (ENS).

As a full-time Member of the Board, you must have the ability to chair and/or participate as a panel member in quasi-judicial public hearings, often involving sensitive and controversial matters, ensuring that fairness, good judgment, and independent decision-making is applied. You are a professional with senior leadership experience, demonstrated commitment to diversity and employment equity, excellent decision-making skills, and excellent verbal and writing skills. You must be in good standing with your professional association. This position is in Halifax and will require travel throughout the province.

As set out in the *Energy and Regulatory Boards Act*, a member of the Regulatory and Appeals Board may be appointed by the Chair to sit as a member of the Energy Board on a matter-by-matter basis when the Chair considers appropriate.

The appointment process will be transparent, and merit based. Information on the appointment process is contained in the *Guidelines to Ensure Appointments Based on Merit*.

Government is committed to ensuring that members of the Board are reflective of the diversity of our Province in terms of Aboriginal People, African Nova Scotians and Other Racially Visible People, Persons with Disabilities and Women in positions where they are under-represented. If you are a member of one of the equity groups, you are encouraged to self-identify, on your application form, cover letter, or on your resume.

APPLICATIONS INVITED

Comme institution publique désignée en vertu de la Loi sur les services en français, la Commission des services publics et de révision encourage les membres de la communauté acadienne et francophone à soumettre leur candidature.

As a designated public institution under the French-language Services Regulations, the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board encourages members of the Acadian and francophone community to consider applying for these positions.

An appointment to the Board is conditional upon the completion of all applicable background checks and confirmation of credentials, the results of which must be satisfactory.

Deadline for applications is October 20, 2024 (applications are accepted until 11:59 PM Atlantic Time)

Salary Range: \$172,273 - \$215,342 approximate annual salary. In addition, the Board offers a comprehensive benefits package. Please Note: the salary range contemplates the appointment of individuals with considerable experience and skills and in all but exceptional cases, new board members would be appointed at the starting rate of the salary range and would typically progress to the higher end of the range through their term.

Application requirements: To apply please submit your resume and cover letter to <u>jobs.novascotia.ca</u>. Your cover letter should also include answers to the following four questions (limit of 300 words per answer for the first three questions):

- 1. How has your experience provided you with insight into the variety and diversity of Canadians and their unique perspectives?
- 2. Who are the stakeholders impacted by the decisions rendered by the Board?
- 3. What are the community activities in which you have been involved outside of those associated with your profession and how do they enhance your suitability for a Board Member appointment?
- 4. Conflict of Interest: please identify and provide an overview of any potential conflicts of interest.

To be considered for this Board Member position, you need to apply through this competition, even if you have previously applied for a Board role. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. It is anticipated that the appointment will be for a ten-year term, beginning in early 2025, with the possibility of being reappointed for subsequent terms not exceeding ten years.