

Prohibition Order – Offshore Renewable Energy

WHEREAS section 60(1A) of the *Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation and Offshore Renewable Energy Management (Nova Scotia) Act*, and section 57(1.1) of the *Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation and Offshore Renewable Energy Management Act (Accord Acts)* reference prohibition orders for offshore renewable energy.

AND WHEREAS on March 4, 2025, the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Energy Regulator (CNSOER) received a joint direction from The Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, Federal Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, and The Honourable Trevor Boudreau, Provincial Minister of Energy, to issue an order that prohibits the issuance of submerged land licences for the purposes of carrying out offshore renewable energy projects within the portions of the offshore area defined in Schedule IV of the *Accord Acts*.

NOW THEREFORE the CNSOER hereby orders that the issuance of submerged land licences for the purposes of carrying out offshore renewable energy projects over the portions of the offshore area known as the Georges Bank Prohibition Area as defined in Schedule IV of the *Accord Acts* is prohibited for a period beginning on March 7, 2025, and ending on December 31, 2032.

DATED this 7th day of March, 2025.

Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Energy Regulator



Barbara B. Pike
Chair of the Board



Christine Bonnell-Eisnor
Chief Executive Officer