

## Trenton Battery Energy Storage Project Announces February 2025 Open House

Nova Scotia (February 10, 2025) – NRStor Inc., in partnership with Wskijnu'k M'tmo'taqnuow Agency Ltd. (WMA) and Aecon, is pleased to announce an upcoming community open house to be held at the Pictou County Wellness Centre. Attendees will learn more about the transformative 150 MW Trenton Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Project, a key initiative supporting Nova Scotia's clean energy future.

The Project is being developed by NRStor Trenton Energy Storage GP Inc., which is owned by NRStor, WMA, and Aecon Concessions, through the jointly owned project organization.

Residents and representatives of the Town of Trenton, neighbouring towns, and Mi'kmaw communities close to the project including Pictou Landing First Nation, Paqtnkek Mi'kmaw Nation and Millbrook First Nation are encouraged to attend.

### Details of the Open House

February 26th, 2025

Pictou County Wellness Centre

5:00pm-7:00pm

### Project Highlights

The Trenton BESS Project will play a critical role in meeting Nova Scotia's future electricity needs by:

- Storing surplus renewable energy during off-peak periods and releasing it during times of high demand
- Reducing reliance on coal-fired power plants, supporting Nova Scotia's goal to phase out coal by 2030
- Providing capacity, operating reserve, and essential grid balancing services to enhance the reliability of the province's power system

Strategically located near one of the first coal facilities slated for decommissioning, the Trenton BESS Project is expected to generate 500 person-years of employment, attract new industries to the Trenton Industrial Park, and contribute to the region's economic revitalization.

### Environmental and Economic Benefits

The project will help reduce greenhouse gas emissions by an estimated 1.8 million tonnes

over its first 10 of the 20 years of the project life—equivalent to removing 40,000 cars from the road annually. It will also provide cost savings to Nova Scotia's ratepayers by reducing the need for expensive, carbon-intensive energy sources during peak demand periods.

*"As a daughter of Dutch immigrants to Nova Scotia, the province and its people hold a very special place in my heart. I am proud to partner with the WMA and Aecon to bring close to 15 years of our expertise in energy storage development and construction to Nova Scotia. The Trenton battery energy storage project is pivotal to bringing clean air and good jobs to the Town of Trenton and neighbouring communities. We are committed to play our part in economic reconciliation for the Mi'kmaq and to listen to community voices."*

**- Annette Verschuren, CEO, NRStor**

*"As the first people and original caretakers of the land, the Mi'kmaq of Nova Scotia are inherently interested in advancing clean energy options. The WMA's equity investment in this project makes sense both environmentally and economically. We encourage active participation in the open house and community feedback process."*

**- Crystal Nicholas, President, WMA**

*"Battery energy storage infrastructure offers significant opportunities to help meet future energy needs across Canada, including in Nova Scotia. Our partnership with NRStor and WMA looks forward to engaging with the community through this process."*

**- Eitan Ladizinsky, Senior Vice President, Aecon Concessions**

*"The Town of Trenton has a vast industrial history, and we view the Trenton BESS Project as an important step to be part of Nova Scotia's transition to a clean energy system with Trenton's Industrial Park a hub for industry powered by sustainable and reliable energy. This project can support Nova Scotia's broader grid transition while also attracting new industry to our Town. We recognize the important role this project will play in enabling energy storage to move forward in this province using smart, private sector and Indigenous partnership approaches. The Trenton BESS project offers an opportunity to work together in building sustainable infrastructure and making progress on Nova Scotia's transition to clean energy. We look forward to seeing this project realized for the benefit of our community and Nova Scotia."*

**- Alec Dove, Mayor, Town of Trenton**

### About the Trenton Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Project

The Trenton BESS Project is being developed by NRStor Trenton Energy Storage GP Inc., a partnership between NRStor Inc., Wskijnu'k Mtmo'tagnuow Agency Ltd. (WMA), and Aecon Concessions. Together, these organizations bring extensive expertise in energy storage, infrastructure development, and community engagement. For more information visit: <http://nrstor.com/trenton-battery-project/>

### About WMA

Wskijnu'k Mtmo'tagnuow Agency Ltd. (WMA) is the corporate entity representing the 13 Mi'kmaq communities of Nova Scotia. WMA has a proven track record of success across diverse industries. In the renewable energy sector, WMA partnered with Natural Forces to develop the Benjamin Mill Wind Project, secured through Nova Scotia's Rate Base Procurement process. This major project will operate under a 25-year Power Purchase Agreement with Nova Scotia Power, delivering clean, competitively priced energy while generating economic and community benefits for all 13 Mi'kmaq communities in the province. For more information visit: [wmalimited.com](http://wmalimited.com)

### About NRStor Inc.

NRStor is an industry-leading Canadian energy storage developer, owner and operator with experience deploying energy storage across the energy supply chain. NRStor's vision is to deploy energy storage projects at scale in order to accelerate the transition to a low-carbon energy system. NRStor has successfully deployed numerous first-of-a-kind energy storage projects and now owns and operates one of Canada's largest and most technologically diverse portfolios of energy storage assets. This includes a 250 MW/1000 MWh Battery Energy Storage Project in Ontario in partnership with Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation, Aecon and Northland Power. For more information: [www.nrstor.com](http://www.nrstor.com)

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