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Item No. 15.9.2

Request for Council's Consideration					
X	Included on Agenda (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Thursday)	, , , a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a	to Municipal		Request from the Floor
Date of Council Meeting: February 8, 2022					
<b>Subject:</b> Intervenor Status, Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board regarding Nova Scotia Power netmetering rate application					
Motion for Council to Consider:					
That Halifax Regional Council direct the CAO to seek intervenor status in the upcoming Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board hearing regarding proposed revised Net Metering Rates that are being sought by Nova Scotia Power.					
Reason:					
Nova Scotia Power's proposed changes in net metering rates has the potential to greatly undermine HRM's Climate Change Plan, HalifACT. HalifACT calls for the installation of 1,300 mw of rooftop solar by 2030 (6 mws installed so far). Achieving that aggressive target will not be possible if the economics of solar power are greatly diminished. HRM should examine the potential impact of the new proposed rates and formally present concerns regarding the impact on the solar industry and the resulting ability of the municipality to deliver on our climate change plan to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board					
Outcome Sought:					
Intervenor status and presentation at the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board					
Councillor Sam Austin			District 5		