Notice of Compliance Agreement

August 7, 2018

This notice is published by the Chief Electoral Officer of Nova Scotia, pursuant to sections 294 to 299 of the *Elections Act* (the "Act").

On August 7, 2018, pursuant to section 294 of the *Act*, the Chief Electoral Officer entered into a Compliance Agreement with the Atlantica Party Association of Nova Scotia (the Party).

In the Compliance Agreement, the Party acknowledges that:

- 1. The Party's financial statement for 2017, together with the disclaimer, do not meet the minimum requirements outlined in section 222(1) and section 222 (4) of the *Act*; and,
- 2. An outstanding promissory note of \$8,811, represents a loan to the Party that exceeds both the \$5,000 limit allowed under section 216(3)(a) and the duration allowed under section 216(3)(b) of the *Act*.

Under this Compliance Agreement, the Party has committed to providing an audited statement for the period January 1, to July 31, 2018 on or before August 15, 2018 that meets the requirement of the *Act* and to providing a plan that is acceptable to the Chief Electoral Officer that will rectify the issues with respect to the non-compliant loan.

The Party also commits, in future, to ensure that all annual financial statements and loans procured meet the requirements specified under the *Act*.

Before entering into this Compliance Agreement, the Chief Electoral Officer has taken into account a number of considerations, including the fact that the Atlantica Party has admitted the facts, has taken responsibility for their actions, and is actively pursuing remedies to the breaches.