

## Background information:



## Key Renewable Milestones

- 1978** Wreck Cove hydro plant comes on line in Cape Breton (220MW)
- 1981** Nova Scotia Power (NSP) becomes the first Canadian power company to set up a large-scale commercial wind turbine at Wreck Cove
- 1984** Annapolis tidal plant becomes operational (20MW)
- 1995** Taylor Lumber becomes the first independent sawmill operator to start selling energy from biomass to NSP
- 1996** NSP begins buying energy generated from wood by-products from Brooklyn Energy co-generation facility
- 2002** NSP commissions two wind turbines in Grand Etang and Little Brook
- 2002** NSP selects Pubnico Point Wind Farm through Request for Proposal (RFP) process
- 2004** Pubnico Point Wind Farm starts generating power for NSP grid (30.6MW)
- 2004** NSP launches two separate calls for renewable power. Wind, biomass and biogas projects awarded contracts
- 2007** Province of Nova Scotia proclaims the Renewable Energy Standard
- 2007** NSP announces Open Hydro of Ireland as a partner for in-stream tidal power demonstration project (Pilot project in operation late 2009)
- 2007** NSP awards 246MW of power purchase agreements to seven wind projects, including the project at Nuttby Mountain
- 2008** NSP announces in March that it has reached an agreement with EarthFirst and its partner, Atlantic Wind Power Corp., to purchase energy from the proposed wind farm on Nuttby Mountain
- 2008** The Nuttby wind project is put up for sale by EarthFirst in August of 2008
- 2008** NSP issues two community-based RFPs (one for Biomass Energy and one for Renewable Energy)
- 2009** NSPI completes test burning of wood-based biomass