

SCHEDULE B

Peer Reviewer Confidentiality Agreement

I understand that confidentiality in my role as a peer reviewer is crucial to maintaining the integrity of the Offshore Energy Research Association of Nova Scotia's (OERA) research review process. As a peer reviewer I will have access to documents containing personal and proprietary information.

I agree that I shall not violate the confidentiality interests of proponents and of OERA. The documentation I am provided with must be used only for the purpose for which it was originally issued to me; that is to assess the quality and merit of research project proposals submitted to OERA and any additional scope pertaining to the project as specified by OERA. Further, any discussions, decisions, summary findings etc. generated shall be considered confidential and not disclosed to other parties without the consent of OERA.

I understand that OERA documents in my possession must be stored in a secure manner to prevent unauthorized access. Information regarding these documents (and the documents themselves) must be transmitted using secure techniques and when no longer required they should be destroyed by deleting electronic files and by shredding paper files.

By signing this agreement, I consent to following the above and agree to take personal responsibility for my actions. If I have any questions about this agreement I understand that I am free to consult with OERA at any time.

Name (Please print)	Signature	
Date		