## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF EXPERT DUTY**

- 1. My name is Melissa Whited. I am currently the Vice President, Consulting, at Synapse Energy Economics, Inc. ("Synapse"), located in Cambridge, Massachusetts.
- 2. Synapse has been retained by legal counsel to the Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission to review and assess proposed changes to Maritime Electric Company, Limited's rate structure and related matters in Commission Docket UE22503.
- 3. I acknowledge that it is my duty, and the duty of Synapse, to provide evidence in relation to this matter that is fair, objective and impartial, and that is related only to matters that are within our area of expertise.
- 4. I acknowledge, on my own behalf and on behalf of Synapse, that the duty referred to above prevails over any obligation which we may owe to any party by whom or on whose behalf we are retained.

September 15, 2025

Date

SYNAPSE ENERGY ECONOMICS, INC.

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Per: Melissa Whited