## The Bank of Nova Scotia Extendible Step Up Notes (Bail-inable Notes)

Final Term Sheet

Issuer: The Bank of Nova Scotia (the "Bank")

Issue: The Bank of Nova Scotia Extendible Step-Up Notes (Bail-inable

**Notes**), extendible semi-annually at the Bank's option starting October 1, 2021 to a maximum term of approximately 10 years (the "Notes").

The Notes will be direct senior unsecured and unsubordinated liabilities of the Bank ranking *pari passu* with all other senior unsecured and

unsubordinated debt of the Bank.

**Issue Price:** US\$100.00 per Note.

**Minimum Subscription:** US\$1,000.00 and integral multiples thereof.

Principal Amount: US\$100.00 per Note

**Issue Size:** US\$15,000,000.00

Senior Debt<sup>1</sup> Ratings: DBRS: AA (low) Moody's: A2 S&P: A-

The Notes have not been specifically rated by any credit rating organization and there is no assurance that if the Notes were specifically rated by these rating agencies that they would have the same rating as the Bank's senior unsecured and unsubordinated obligations with a term to maturity of one year or more. A rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold investments, and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at

any time by the relevant rating agency.

**Trade Date:** September 21, 2020

**Settlement Date:** October 1, 2020

Maturity Date: The Initial Maturity Date, subject to extension by the Bank to an

Extended Maturity Date or the Final Maturity Date, as the case may be,

pursuant to the Extension Feature below.

**Initial Maturity Date:** October 1, 2021. The Notes are extendible at the option of the Bank on

October 1, 2021 and every 6 months thereafter to the next following Extended Maturity Date or the Final Maturity Date, as applicable, at the Coupon Rate for the applicable Coupon Period set out below in respect of the relevant extension period, but in no event beyond the Final Maturity Date (the "Extension Feature"). If the applicable Maturity Date of the Notes is not a Business Day, the Principal Amount shall be paid on the next Business Day, without adjustment for period end dates.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subject to conversion under the bank recapitalization "bail-in" regime.

The Bank will be deemed to have exercised its option to extend the then applicable Maturity Date of the Notes to the next following Extended Maturity Date unless it provides notice in writing to CDS, not less than fifteen Business Days prior to the then applicable Maturity Date of the Notes, of its intention to redeem the Notes and not to extend the Maturity Date of the Notes.

In the event that the Bank gives notice to CDS of its intention not to extend the term of the Notes, the decision to give such notice will be subject to the prior approval of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions (Canada") (the "Superintendent") if such non-extension would lead to a breach of the Bank's Total Loss Absorbing Capacity ("TLAC") requirements.

There is no certainty as to the term to maturity of the Notes after October 1, 2021 because the Extension Feature embedded in the Notes will be dependent on future interest rates and market volatility. If extended to the Final Maturity Date the term of the Notes will be approximately 10 years.

**Extended Maturity Dates:** October 1, 2021

April 1, 2022 October 1, 2022 April 1, 2023 October 1, 2023 April 1, 2024 October 1, 2024 April 1, 2025 October 1, 2025 April 1, 2026 October 1, 2026 April 1, 2027 October 1, 2027 April 1, 2028 October 1, 2028 April 1, 2029 October 1, 2029 April 1, 2030

Final Maturity Date: October 1, 2030

**Selling Agents' Commission:** US\$0.50 per Note.

Coupon Rate and Coupon Periods: Subject to the Extension Feature described above, the Coupon Rate will be payable semi-annually until the Initial Maturity Date and if extended, the applicable Extended Maturity Date on each Interest Payment Date at the following Coupon Rates per annum:

	Coupon
To Initial Maturity Date:	Rate
October 1, 2020 to but excluding October 1, 2021	1.24%

	Coupon
Coupon Periods (if extended):	Rate
October 1, 2021 to but excluding October 1, 2022	1.24%
October 1, 2022 to but excluding October 1, 2023	1.34%
October 1, 2023 to but excluding October 1, 2024	1.34%
October 1, 2024 to but excluding October 1, 2025	1.44%
October 1, 2025 to but excluding October 1, 2026	1.44%
October 1, 2026 to but excluding October 1, 2027	1.54%
October 1, 2027 to but excluding October 1, 2028	1.54%
October 1, 2028 to but excluding October 1, 2029	1.54%
October 1, 2029 to but excluding October 1, 2030	1.54%

The Coupon Rate is payable semi-annually in arrears on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October and April (each an "Interest Payment Date"), commencing April 1, 2021. The Notes will accrue interest based on the Day Count Fraction with equal payments without adjustment for period end dates. If the Interest Payment Date is not a Business Day, interest shall be paid on the next Business Day, without adjustment for period end dates and no additional interest shall be paid thereon.

Yield to Noteholder:

To Initial Maturity Date (if not extended) 1.24% per annum on a semiannual basis, approximately **112.0 basis points** over the 1 year United States Treasury benchmark bond maturing September 16, 2021.

To Final Maturity Date (if extended) **1.41%** per annum on a semi-annual basis, approximately **75.0 basis points** over the 10 year United States Treasury benchmark bond maturing June 1, 2030.

**Day Count Fraction:** 

30/360 unadjusted.

**Business Day:** 

Days (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks are open for business in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Form and Denomination:

Book entry only through participants in CDS Clearing and Depository Services Inc. ("CDS").

**Book Entry Only System:** 

The Notes will be issued by way of a single global certificate registered in the name of a nominee of CDS and deposited with CDS. Registration of interests in and transfers of the Notes will be made only through the Book Entry Only (BEO) system of CDS. The Notes must be purchased either directly or indirectly through a participant in the CDS BEO system. No holder will be entitled to any Note or other instrument from the Bank or CDS evidencing the ownership thereof, and no holder will be shown on the records maintained by CDS except through an agent who is a participant of CDS.

**Optional Redemption:** 

Not Applicable.

Redemption for any reason (including, without limitation, on any maturity date other than the Final Maturity Date) will be subject to the prior approval of the Superintendent if such redemption would lead to a breach of the Bank's minimum TLAC requirements.

**CDIC:** 

The Notes do not constitute deposits that are insured under the *Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation Act* (the "*CDIC Act*") or under any other deposit insurance regime.

**Bail-in Status:** 

The Notes are bail-inable notes subject to conversion in whole or in part – by means of a transaction or series of transactions and in one or more steps – into common shares of the Bank or any of its affiliates under subsection 39.2(2.3) of the *CDIC Act* and to variation or extinguishment in consequence, and subject to the application of the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein in respect of the operation of the *CDIC Act* with respect to the Notes. For a description of Canadian bank resolution powers and the consequent risk factors attaching to the Notes reference is made to "Canadian Bank Resolution Powers including Bail-in" at

http://www.scotiabank.com/ca/en/about/investors-

<u>shareholders/regulatory-disclosures.html</u> which information is hereby incorporated by reference.

**Subsequent Holders:** 

Each holder or beneficial owner of a Note that acquires an interest in the Notes in the secondary market and any successors, assigns, heirs, executors, administrators, trustees in bankruptcy and legal representatives of any such holder or beneficial owner shall be deemed to acknowledge, accept, agree to be bound by and consent to the same provisions specified in the Notes to the same extent as the holders or beneficial owners that acquire an interest in the Notes upon its initial issuance, including, without limitation, with respect to the acknowledgement and agreement to be bound by and consent to the terms of the Notes related to the bail-in regime.

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**Set-Off:** 

No holder or beneficial owner of bail-inable notes may exercise, or direct the exercise of, claim or plead any right of set-off, netting, compensation or retention in respect of any amount owed to it by the Bank arising under, or in connection with, the bail-inable notes, and each holder or beneficial owner of bail-inable notes shall, by virtue of its acquisition of an interest in any bail-inable note, be deemed to have irrevocably and unconditionally waived all such rights of set-off, netting, compensation or retention. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any amounts due and payable to any holder or beneficial owner of the bail-inable notes by the Bank in respect of, or arising under, the bail-inable notes are purportedly discharged by set-off, netting, compensation or retention, without limitation to any other rights and remedies of the Bank under applicable law, such holder or beneficial owner shall pay to the Bank an amount equal to the amount of such discharge and, until such time as payment is made, shall hold an amount equal to such amount in trust for the Bank

and, accordingly, any such discharge shall be deemed not to have taken

place.

Governing Law: The Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable

therein.

**Attornment:** Courts of the Province of Ontario.

Agent: Scotia Capital Inc. ("SCI")

Calculation Agent: SCI

**Secondary Market:** SCI., as a market maker, agrees to repurchase the Notes in whole at the

holder's request, at the market price determined by SCI in its sole discretion acting reasonably, and subject to the occurrence of any event, circumstance or cause beyond the reasonable control of SCI that has or may have an adverse effect on its ability to maintain a secondary market, as determined in its sole discretion. A holder of Notes who sells a Note to SCI prior to the Maturity Date may receive sales proceeds that are less than the Principal Amount of the Notes. The Notes will not be listed on

any stock exchange.

US Selling Restrictions: The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the United

States Securities Act of 1933 (the "1933 Act") and should not be offered or sold within the United States. SCI agrees that neither it, nor its affiliates(s), nor any persons acting on its behalf have engaged or will engage in any directed selling efforts (within the meaning of Regulation

S of the 1933 Act) in the United States with respect to the Notes.

**EU Selling Restrictions:** No prospectus (as defined in Directive 2017/1129/EC (as amended, the

"Prospectus Directive")) will be prepared in connection with the Notes. Accordingly, the Notes may not be offered to the public in any member state of the European Economic Area (the "EEA") or in the United Kingdom, and any purchaser of the Notes who subsequently sells any of the Notes in any EEA member state or in the United Kingdom must do so only in accordance with the requirements of the Prospectus Directive,

as implemented in that member state.

## Additional Information to Investors about the Notes:

Investors in the Notes should be aware that they are subject to certain risk factors. Potential investors in the Notes are urged to consult their own legal, accounting and tax advisors in order to determine the consequences of an investment in the Notes and to make an independent evaluation of such investment. Specific risk factors include, but are not limited to:

Non-Standard Investments:

The Notes have certain investment characteristics that differ from traditional fixed income securities. Specifically, the performance of the Notes will not track the same price movements as traditional interest rate products. An investor should reach a decision to invest in the Notes after carefully considering, with his or her advisors, the suitability of the Notes in light of his or her investment objectives and the information set out in the above terms of the offering. Neither the Bank nor SCI makes any recommendation as to whether the Notes are a suitable investment for any person.

**Extension Feature:** 

The Extension Feature of the Notes is unique. As a result of the Extension Feature of the Notes, the price movement of the Notes will be quite different from that of other notes, bonds, and similar debt instruments with the same credit risk and term to maturity. For example, if prevailing interest rates fall, the market price of the Notes may be limited to the price applicable to the then existing Maturity Date. Investors are compensated for the uncertainty caused by the Extension Feature of the Notes by receiving a higher yield compared to other debt instruments with a similar credit risk and term to maturity.

The Bank is more likely to exercise its right to extend the Maturity Date of the Notes during periods of relatively low interest rates, or otherwise where it determines that its borrowing cost under the Notes is, or might be, higher than from other available sources. The decision to extend (or not to extend) the Notes will be made solely by the Bank and may occur at a point in time that is not advantageous to investors.

**Suitability:** 

An investment in the Notes may not be suitable for all investors. An investor should reach a decision to invest in the Notes after carefully considering the suitability of the Notes and his or her investment objectives. Neither the Bank nor SCI makes any recommendation as to the suitability of the Notes for an investor's investment purposes. Investors should consult with their investment advisor before making a decision regarding an investment in Notes.

Potential Conflicts of Interest:

The Bank and its affiliates may engage in activities and perform functions that could adversely impact the value of the Notes, the ability of the holder to resell their Notes or the amount or timing of receipt of payments under the Notes. Consequently, potential conflicts between the interests of holders and the Bank's interests may arise.

COVID-19 may have an adverse impact on the Bank:

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19, a global pandemic. Governments and regulatory bodies in affected areas have imposed a number of measures designed to contain the outbreak, including government-mandated social distancing measures.

travel restrictions, quarantines and stay-at-home directives. The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in a sharp decline in global economic growth as well as causing increased volatility, disruptions and declines in financial markets. The disruptive effects of the pandemic have contributed to economic slowdowns both domestically and globally, leading to lower GDP growth, and concerns about a prolonged Canadian or global recession. The depth and breadth of the impact of COVID-19 on the global economy and financial markets continues to evolve. If the COVID-19 pandemic is prolonged, or further diseases emerge that give rise to similar effects, the adverse impact on the global economy could deepen and result in further declines in global economic growth and financial markets. Accordingly, the full impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the global economy and financial markets is uncertain and may have an adverse effect on the return on the Notes.

The COVID-19 pandemic has had disruptive effects in Canada and other countries and jurisdictions in which the Bank operates, has materially impacted and continues to materially impact the markets in which the Bank operates and has led to concerns about the sustainability of Canadian household indebtedness. A substantial amount of the Bank's business involves making loans or otherwise committing resources to specific companies, industries or countries. The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on such borrowers, industries and countries could have significant adverse effects on the Bank's financial results, businesses, financial condition or liquidity, including as a result of the inability of borrowers to repay their loans to the Bank. The COVID-19 pandemic has and may continue to result in disruptions to the Bank's customers and the way in which the Bank conducts business, including the closure of certain branches, increased staff working off premises, and changes to operations due to higher volumes of client requests, as well as disruptions to key suppliers of the Bank's goods and services. As a result, the COVID-19 pandemic could adversely impact the quality and continuity of service to customers of the Bank, as well as, the business, results of operations, corporate reputation and financial condition of the Bank for a substantial period of time. Moreover, it remains uncertain how the macroeconomic environment, societal and business norms will be impacted following the COVID-19 pandemic. The post-COVID-19 environment may undergo unexpected developments or changes in financial markets, the fiscal, tax and regulatory environments, and consumer behavior which could adversely impact the Bank's operations, businesses, prospects, financial performance and financial condition.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Notes will only be sold to an investor with such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters that is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of the prospective investment. This term sheet is for discussion purposes and contains indications only. This proposal does not constitute an offer to sell or any solicitation to purchase securities or any other instrument described herein. The information contained herein is provided on a confidential basis.

The information contained herein is issued for information purposes only to provide an overview of the Notes, contains indications only, and does not constitute investment advice or an offer to sell or a solicitation to purchase. The Notes may not be suitable for all types of investors. This document does not purport to identify or suggest all of the risks (direct or indirect) which may be associated with an investment in the Notes.

Noteholders should contact their financial advisors and consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of annual interest in the Notes in their particular circumstances, including if they plan to sell the Notes prior to maturity.

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