

**Report of Recipient's Progress
on Economic Development Assistance Agreement**

Province of Nova Scotia

*(subsection 5(2) of the Accountability in Economic Development Assistance Act, and
the Accountability in Economic Development Assistance Regulations)*

Under the Act, the Minister is responsible for publishing a report that documents the progress made by a recipient of economic development assistance in meeting the targets or timelines defined in their economic development assistance agreement. Progress must be published on a 6-month cycle and is summarized below for the reporting period for this report, as specified in Part 2 of this form.

Part 1 – Recipient Company Details

Company	Ocean Choice International Halifax Inc. (formerly 12150484 Canada Inc.)
Fund name	Strategic Investment Funds
Type of assistance	Payroll Rebate
Agreement date	July 9, 2021
Agreement business activities	Payroll investments in Nova Scotia. The establishment of new business in Nova Scotia in the Seafood sector.

Part 2 – Reporting Period for this report

A recipient of economic development assistance from the Province of Nova Scotia is required by law to submit a report every 6 months on their progress in meeting the targets or timelines defined in their agreement with the Province. The reporting period for this report is indicated below.

Reporting Period	Due Date	Year
<input type="checkbox"/> October 1 to March 31	by May 1	2023
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> April 1 to September 30	by November 1	2023

Part 3 – Progress of Recipient for Reporting Period

The following table summarizes the recipient's progress report to the Minister for the reporting period for this report, as specified in Part 2. The information contained in this Table was submitted by the recipient and the recipient is responsible for its accuracy.

Table 2

Targets / Timelines	Progress made during Reporting Period	Comments
For the company to have made incremental payroll investments in Nova Scotia.	\$272,205 payroll incurred during the period related to Warehouse management: facilities development and production development.	General manager, Quality, Admin and Warehouse personnel.
To be eligible for an earned incentive, for the payroll investments to be in the range of a minimum of \$0 for completed Program Year 1, up to a stretch maximum of \$6,600,000 for completed Program Year 6 and a minimum of 0 FTEs for completed Program Year 1, up to a stretch maximum of 120 FTEs for completed Program Year 6.	Production payroll ramp up expected to be Q2 2024 due to delays in equipment delivery related to supplier equipment delays as well as construction delays. To date we have management, accounting, quality and warehouse personnel. Project delayed start by approximately 2 years.	Building renovations continue, equipment is arriving and anticipate production to commence Q2 2024.
For the new business to have been established in Nova Scotia in the Seafood sector.	Established as a warehouse operation with renovation and equipment procurement ongoing.	Established as a warehouse operation with renovation and equipment procurement ongoing. Expect production during Q2 2024.

Part 4 – Status of agreement with recipient at end of this reporting period

The status of the agreement between the recipient and the Province, as determined by the Minister, is:

- Open - undisbursed
 - Open – partially disbursed
 - Open – fully disbursed
 - Completed
 - Cancelled / Withdrawn
- Amount disbursed- \$0

Comments (if applicable)

No claim as of September 30, 2023