

**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	Opus Fund Services (Canada) Limited
Fund name	Strategic Investment Funds
Type of assistance	Payroll Rebate
Agreement date	April 24, 2018
Agreement business activities	Payroll investments in Nova Scotia. The establishment of new business in Nova Scotia in the financial services 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.	Opus continues to progress in expanding the number of employees.	FTE now stands at 66.
To be eligible for an earned incentive, for the payroll investments to be in the range of a minimum of \$180,000 for completed Program Year 1, up to a stretch maximum of \$1,800,000 for completed Program Year 5 and a minimum of 3 FTEs for completed Program Year 1, up to a stretch maximum of 30 FTEs for completed Program Year 5.	Gross salaries for the 6 months Apr 2023 to Sept 2023 was \$3.164M (excludes bonuses) Full time employees at Sept 2023 is 66.	Payroll – minimum payroll has been met. Min FTE – minimum FTE has been met.
For the new business to have been established in Nova Scotia in the financial services sector.	Incorporation was completed on March 7, 2018.	Opus Fund Services (Canada) Limited

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- \$335,482.82

Comments (if applicable)

The rebate was earned and paid out during this progress period. The file is now closed.