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Report of Foreign Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of: August, 2004	Commission File Number: 001-31316
THE BANK OF	NOVA SCOTIA
(Name of t	registrant)
44 King Street West, Scotia Plaza 8th Attention: Secretary s Depa	n floor, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 1H1 rtment (Tel.: (416) 866-3672)
(Address of Principa	el Executive Offices)
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will f	tle annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

Date: August 31, 2004 By: /s/ Camilla Mackenzie

Name: Camilla Mackenzie

Title: Senior Assistant Secretary and

Vice-President

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Exhibit	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Certifications required under Canadian securities legislation