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Commission advises caution regarding communications about investments

Halifax – With the current volatility in the market, the Nova Scotia Securities Commission is cautioning investors to be careful when contacted by people regarding their investments. If contacted, Nova Scotians should never give out personal information over the phone before contacting their investment adviser directly to confirm if the contact is legitimate.

While some calls may be legitimate, other calls may be from people trying to take advantage of the economic turmoil to engage in investment scams.

“It is very important that Nova Scotians who are contacted about their investments or finances take steps to ensure the call is legitimate by contacting their investment adviser directly after independently verifying the phone number”, says Stephanie Atkinson, Acting-Director of Enforcement for the Nova Scotia Securities Commission.

Anyone who believes they have been contacted by someone engaging in investment fraud or fraudulent activities is advised to [contact the Commission](#).

March is Fraud Prevention Month in Canada. Throughout the month the Commission will be sharing information and tips to help Nova Scotia investors recognize and avoid investment fraud. Visit the Commission’s website at nssc.novascotia.ca to find investor education resources and videos and follow the Commission on Twitter at [@NSSCommission](https://twitter.com/NSSCommission) to keep updated on new investment scams and investor education initiatives.

The Commission is the provincial government agency responsible for regulating the investment industry in the province.

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