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- Q. Mr. Coyne refers to integration generally. Whereas no-one denies that the US and Canadian capital markets are very close, can he refer to any academic studies that indicate that they are *perfectly* integrated, which is what is required for the law of one price to hold and securities to be valued identically in both markets?
- 5 6 Mr. Coyne has not assumed that Canadian and U.S. markets are perfectly integrated. As A. 7 explained on page 27 of Concentric's Cost of Capital report, and as shown in Exhibit 8 JMC-2, there is a high degree of correlation between the economic and investment 9 environment in the two countries. This leads Mr. Coyne to conclude that: "Based on 10 these macroeconomic indicators, there are no fundamental dissimilarities between Canada and the U.S. (in terms of economic growth, inflation, or government bond yields) 11 that would cause a reasonable investor to have a materially different return expectation 12 13 for a group of comparable risk utilities in the two countries."