

- 1 **Q. Reference: (2024 Rate of Return on Rate Base, page 3 of 8)**
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3 **In Table 1, a forecast of average rate base for 2024 is given as \$1,360 million.**
4 **a) Please confirm that this figure includes \$115.3 million in capital expenditures**
5 **proposed in Newfoundland Power’s 2024 CBA that is still under consideration by**
6 **the Board.**
7 **b) If the Board does not approve all of the \$115.3 million proposed in the 2024 CBA,**
8 **would Newfoundland Power refile the Application with revised figures?**
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10 **A.** a) Newfoundland Power confirms that the forecast average rate base for 2024 of
11 \$1,360 million in Table 1 reflects the \$115.3 million in capital expenditures proposed
12 in the Company’s *2024 Capital Budget Application*.
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14 b) Newfoundland Power cannot offer specifics as to how it would proceed in the
15 requested scenario. Any changes to the forecast of average rate base for 2024 would
16 be made with consideration given to the Board’s order and any relevant context.¹

¹ For example, in Order No. P.U. 37 (2020), the Board requested additional information regarding the construction of a new substation for St. John’s North-Portugal Cove. At that time, the Board did not approve the capital expenditures related to the proposed project. Newfoundland Power provided the additional information as requested on February 12, 2021. The Board subsequently approved the expenditures associated with the construction of the new substation in Order P.U. 10 (2021).