1 2

Section 3: Finance/Fair Return

3 4 5 Q. (Section 3, page 3-20) Can Newfoundland Power confirm that the Board originally approved its common equity in a range of 40-45%? If not, provide the specific sections of the Board's referenced decision at page 3-20.

6 7

8

A. Table 1 provides the capital structure approved by the Board in Order No. P.U. 7 (1996-97):¹

Table 1: Capital Structure Order No. P.U. 7 (1996-97)

Component	Range
Common Equity	40% - 45%
Preferred Equity	3% - 6%
Debt	47% - 55%

.

¹ See Order No. P.U. 7 (1996-97), pages 24 and 25.