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Q. Reference: "2025/2026 General Rate Application," Newfoundland Power Inc., December 12, 2023, vol. 1, Evidence, sec. 2.4.1, p. 2-31, f.n. 57.

a) Please provide a breakdown of the weighted labour rate increases by executive, senior management, union, and non-union in both percentage and dollars for 2022 Test Year, 2022 Actuals, 2023 Test Year, 2023 Actuals, 2024 Forecast, 2025 Forecast, and 2026 Forecast.

- b) Please provide Newfoundland Power's average annual salary for each of the years identified in part a) broken down by executive, senior management, union, and non-union. Please indicate where average salary calculations include incentive or bonus pay.
- c) What comparators does Newfoundland Power use to determine union and nonunion labour increases? Please provide a breakdown of the methods and comparators for executive, senior management, union, and non-union.

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A. a) Newfoundland Power forecasts overall labour costs based on its weighted labour rate inflation. As such, the forecast weighted labour rate is the same for all employees and there is no further breakdown to provide.¹

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The weighted labour rate increases for the 2022 and 2023 Test Years were 3.00% and 2.85%, respectively, including progression of 0.75% in each year. The weighted labour rate increases of 3.00% for 2022 and 2.75% for 2023 are consistent with the test years.

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b) See Table 1 in the response to Request for Information PUB-NP-031 for estimated average salary, and average pay-for-performance and short-term incentive payments.

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c) See the response to Request for Information PUB-NP-031.

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See the response to Request for Information PUB-NP-029, part b).

See the 2022/2023 General Rate Application, Volume 1, Application, Company Evidence and Exhibits, Section 2.4 Operating and Capital Costs, page 2-38, footnote 83.

See the 2025/2026 General Rate Application, Volume 1, Application, Company Evidence and Exhibits, Section 2.4 Operating and Capital Costs, page 2-31, footnote 57.