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- Q. Volume 2, Cost of Capital Report, page 51, Figure 32.
 - a) Please re-state Figure 32 to include the authorized ROE in 2022, the date of the decision determining the most recent ROE and the date, if known when the ROE is expected to be reviewed by the regulator.
 - b) Have there been any changes in the authorized ROEs in Figure 32 since it was prepared? If yes, state the new ROEs.

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A. a) Please see the re-stated Figure 32 below with the requested information.

Restated Figure 32: Authorized Electric ROEs – 2022

	2022	Decision Date	Expected Review
Newfoundland Power (existing)	8.50%		
Newfoundland Power (proposed)	9.85%		Pending
Nova Scotia Power	9.00%	2/2/2023	Unknown
Maritime Electric Company Ltd	9.35%	4/24/2023	Unknown
Ontario Electric Utilities	8.66%	10/31/2023	Annual formula
Alberta Electric Utilities	8.50%	10/8/2023	Annual formula
FortisBC Inc.	9.15%	9/5/2023	Unknown
Canadian Electric Average	8.93%		
U.S. Electric Utilities ¹	9.54%		

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¹ Source: SNL Financial.

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b) Yes, Concentric revised Figure 32 to reflect the most current information available for electric utilities in Ontario and Alberta. The Canadian electric average has increased from 9.17 percent in 2023 to 9.30 percent for 2024.

Revised Figure 32: Authorized Electric ROEs

Newfoundland Power (existing)	8.50%
Newfoundland Power (proposed)	9.85%
Nova Scotia Power	9.00%
Maritime Electric Company Ltd	9.35%
Ontario Electric Utilities	9.21%
Alberta Electric Utilities	9.28%
FortisBC Inc.	9.65%
Canadian Electric Average	9.30%
U.S. Electric Utilities ²	9.66%

Source: SNL Financial. Figures are from January 1, 2022 through September 25, 2023, excluding limited issue riders and electric transmission cases, and excluding decisions in Illinois and Vermont where the authorized ROE is set based on an automatic formula that adjusts with changes in government bond yields.