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| 2 | Q. Good morning everyone. No preliminary | 2 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 3 | matters, Ms. Gynn? | 3 | A. I apologize to members of the panel simply |
| 4 | MS. GLYNN: | 4 | because I was trying to get through these |
| 5 | Q. We do have two preliminary matters, Mr . | 5 | last few slides to get a break in my |
| 6 | Chair. Newfoundland Power did file a | 6 | presentation and I understand it was a bit |
| 7 | response to Undertaking 6. We just had some | 7 | confusing. So I was talking about the state |
| 8 | discussion that that undertaking will be | 8 | of economy and there's a whole bunch of |
| 9 | revised to also include the bar graph of | 9 | measures that we look at for the state of |
| 10 | Figure 1 and update that. And we do have-- | 10 | the economy. One is what we call credit |
| 11 | Figure 1 in the rebuttal evidence of Mr. | 11 | spreads, the difference between the A bond |
| 12 | Coyne, yes, and we do have a second | 12 | yield and the Government of Canada bond |
| 13 | preliminary matter that Ms. Greene would | 13 | yield, when we get into recession or a fear |
| 14 | like to request another undertaking. | 14 | of recession, people dump risky securities |
| 15 | GREENE, KC: | 15 | and they buy Government of Canada |
| 16 | Q. Good morning, Mr. Chair, Commissioners. We | 16 | securities, and as a result, that spread |
| 17 | had discussed this earlier in the week with | 17 | increases. So if you look at the spreads, |
| 18 | counsel for Newfoundland Power, but we would | 18 | you can see the 1980's crash, you can see |
| 19 | like to place the undertaking on the record. | 19 | the severe crisis in the 1990s when Trible- |
| 20 | What we would like Newfoundland Power to | 20 | Bs particularly were very high. You can see |
| 21 | file is the history of the Hay points for | 21 | the Asian crisis of 1997, you can see the |
| 22 | each executive position at Newfoundland | 22 | 2002 tec rec, you can see the serious |
| 23 | Power, starting with the Hay point as | 23 | problems during the US financial crisis and |
| 24 | reflected in the Hay Report dated March 18th, | 24 | you can see the impact of COVID. So this is |
| 25 | 2016 that was filed in the 2016 General Rate | 25 | a measure that we look at and right now the |
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| 1 | Application. The historical record should | 1 | credit spreads are higher than they were in |
| 2 | show the change in points from each position | 2 | the '90s, but they are consistent with where |
| 3 | from the date of that report to present, | 3 | they've been for the last ten years, no |
| 4 | explaining the reasons and the rationale for | 4 | indication of any serious problem accessing |
| 5 | the change. As well, the history should | 5 | the A bond market, which is the market which |
| 6 | show the salary range for each executive | 6 | most utilities access in Canada. |
| 7 | position that shows a salary range in effect | 7 | The Bank of Canada also surveys loan |
| 8 | at the time for each change in Hay points. | 8 | offices to say, well what are you doing in |
| 9 | So that is the undertaking. | 9 | terms of lending, are you adjusting the term |
| 10 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 10 | of your loan or the fees you charge because |
| 11 | Q. That's accepted, we'll do it. | 11 | of a crisis, and this is the Bank of Canada |
| 12 | MS. GLYNN: | 12 | survey and senior loan officers in Canada. |
| 13 | Q. And that will be Undertaking No. 7. | 13 | And again you can see the financial crisis |
| 14 | CHAIR: | 14 | when you go into recession, loan officers |
| 15 | Q. So we're ready to go? | 15 | get nervous and they increase fees and they |
| 16 | MS. GLYNN: | 16 | reduce the term of the loan, exactly the |
| 17 | Q. We are ready to proceed. | 17 | same as in the bond market. Right now, we |
| 18 | CHAIR: | 18 | have a little bit, at the end of last year |
| 19 | Q. Okay, back to you, Mr. Coffey. | 19 | where loan officers were increasing charges |
| 20 | COFFEY, KC: | 20 | a little bit, but nothing untowards and |
| 21 | Q. Members of the Board, I gather now technical | 21 | nothing significantly different from 2016. |
| 22 | arrangements have been made and Dr. Booth | 22 | We also look at equity market indicators, |
| 23 | has control of the slides, so he'll be able | 23 | the volatility index. We actually have |
| 24 | to flick through them okay. We're back, you | 24 | securities that allows us to work out what |
| 25 | had long-term credit spreads, go ahead, Dr. | 25 | volatility the equity market is implying. |


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| 1 | In the long-run, the equity market has | 1 | rate and the risk premium. Investors don't |
| 2 | annual volatility of about 20 percent. | 2 | like risk. They prefer a certain cashflow |
| 3 | Right now, equity markets have low | 3 | in a year's time than a roulette wheel on |
| 4 | volatility and that goes tan and tandem with | 4 | certain cashflow. So those are the two |
| 5 | the strong equity markets we've had for the | 5 | basic measures captured by the CAPM. |
| 6 | last several years. And again, you can see | 6 | The third one is the tax value of |
| 7 | the spike in volatility during the COVID and | 7 | money. In Canada you prefer dividends to |
| 8 | the spike in volatility during the US | 8 | interest because dividends are favourably |
| 9 | financial crisis. And during those periods, | 9 | taxed at the individual level. |
| 10 | risk premiums go up because the volatility | 10 | (9:15 a.m.) |
| 11 | goes up, fear goes up. In fact, the | 11 | So when I talk to my students, I |
| 12 | volatility index is often called the fear | 12 | always tell them never forget the three iron |
| 13 | index. | 13 | rules of finance: time valued money, risk |
| 14 | And finally, now they are indicators, | 14 | valued money, tax valued money. And the |
| 15 | the Kansas City Federal Reserve Bank puts | 15 | CAPM captures two of those. Primary |
| 16 | together a financial stress index called the | 16 | reliance by the National Energy Board in |
| 17 | Kansas City Financial Stress Index and this | 17 | 2008, RH1 2008, prime realized by the Regie |
| 18 | became popular about 20 years ago to try and | 18 | and in answers to information requests, I |
| 19 | encapsulate all of these market measures | 19 | gave the--this Board in 2009 the decision |
| 20 | into one measure that we can look at. So | 20 | was entirely a cap asset pricing model |
| 21 | this is the Kansas City Financial Stress | 21 | decision. The New Brunswick board in their |
| 22 | Index. When the number is below zero, it | 22 | decision, the Liberty, the former Enbridge |
| 23 | indicates the overall easy financial market | 23 | gas New Brunswick was entirely a capital |
| 24 | conditions, the banks are in good shapes, | 24 | asset pricing model decision. There's no |
| 25 | they're lending, credit spreads are normal, | 25 | question that it's the premium model. |
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| 1 | volatility is normal and again, we can see | 1 | Academically, this is a survey, Mr. Coyne |
| 2 | the impact of early 2000s, the tech rec | 2 | takes exception of this because he says well |
| 3 | Internet bubble, the US financial crisis, | 3 | it's primarily for capital budgeting. |
| 4 | COVID, those are where those spikes come in. | 4 | Absolutely, that is why we calculate |
| 5 | Right now, it's not at all unusual, it's | 5 | discount rates in order to evaluate |
| 6 | indicating relatively easy financial | 6 | investments, whether they're security market |
| 7 | conditions. So that's just to look at these | 7 | investments or whether they're cashflows |
| 8 | measures to indicate what is the state of | 8 | within a project. The fundamental of all of |
| 9 | the capital markets because the legal | 9 | this is what does the investor want which is |
| 10 | standard in Canada is to look at the state | 10 | what the discount rate is. CAPM |
| 11 | of the money or the capital markets. You | 11 | overwhelmingly the most important. |
| 12 | can't just change the rate of return without | 12 | Second one, Arithmetic average |
| 13 | thinking about what's going on. | 13 | historical estimates, which is what I also |
| 14 | Now in terms of the estimates, 2008- | 14 | look at. Multi-Beta CAPM, that is what |
| 15 | sorry, 2016 Mr. Kelly said I was the | 15 | academics love, it's way more sophisticated |
| 16 | principle proponent of the Capital Asset | 16 | when than a CAPM, only one expert in Canada |
| 17 | Pricing Model and I said you put too much | 17 | has attempted that, Dr. Chretien before the |
| 18 | faith in me, that's not correct. But it is | 18 | Regie and I said at the time it converts |
| 19 | correct that the capital asset pricing model | 19 | litigation over one or two values to |
| 20 | is the premium model in academic finance | 20 | litigation over about eight values because |
| 21 | mainly because it captures two of the three | 21 | there's multiple betas which means there's |
| 22 | principle factors in valuation which is the | 22 | multiple areas of dispute. So that, as far |
| 23 | time valued money, current cashflows are | 23 | as I'm aware, has not been used in Canada, |
| 24 | more valuable than cashflows in 20 years | 24 | apart from Professor Chretien's. Divid |
| 25 | time and that's represented by the risk-free | 25 | (phonetic) the discount model, way down in |


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| 1 | terms of importance by major CFOs. Investor | 1 | talk about, and it doesn't work and they |
| 2 | expectations, what do people want. And the | 2 | torture the model to try and make it work |
| 3 | only way you get those investor expectations | 3 | because they believe in models. There was a |
| 4 | is by asking them, doing a survey. And then | 4 | discussion yesterday about judgment, finance |
| 5 | regulatory decisions, so if you believe in | 5 | models, I argue and have been saying for |
| 6 | multiple uses of sources of information, | 6 | years, they're a restraint on judgment. |
| 7 | these are the major sources of information | 7 | They are not a substitute for judgment. You |
| 8 | that people can look at when they make | 8 | put the estimates into an equation and it |
| 9 | estimates on the fair rate of return. And I | 9 | constrains what you can do so that you can't |
| 10 | also provide a Canadian article, so in terms | 10 | produce outlandish estimates. But nobody in |
| 11 | of the average historical rates of return, | 11 | finance, except in a certain area of the |
| 12 | this is the average rates going back to | 12 | derivative market, is slavishly attached to |
| 13 | 1926. I actually also provide the Canadian | 13 | models. If I was slavishly attached to the |
| 14 | evidence going back to 1922, but most of the | 14 | empirical estimates in Canada, I'd be using |
| 15 | US evidence is based from 1926 because it's | 15 | a market risk premium under 5 percent. I |
| 16 | based upon data put together by a couple of | 16 | don't do that. If I was slavishly looking |
| 17 | Chicago professors and then taken over by | 17 | in the United States using the US data, I'd |
| 18 | Duff and Phelps and now used by Kroll. No | 18 | be using a market risk premium of 6.6 |
| 19 | question the risk premium is higher in the | 19 | percent. I don't do that. You look at |
| 20 | United States than it is in Canada. Why? | 20 | other things. As the survey, as the work on |
| 21 | Because the US is the great winner in the | 21 | the capital asset pricing model indicated, |
| 22 | global capital markets and as a result, the | 22 | it was the best model indicates, you look at |
| 23 | experienced equity returns in the US, | 23 | expectations. This is what Fernandez does, |
| 24 | particular the S\&P 500, exceed the equity | 24 | he surveys well over a thousand people in |
| 25 | returns almost anywhere else. On the other | 25 | the United States and they report back. Now |
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| 1 | hand, Canada has traditionally had problems | 1 | this is survey work. There are biases in |
| 2 | accessing debt and bond yields in Canada | 2 | survey work, but he's been doing this for |
| 3 | have been higher up until the government | 3 | the last ten years and consistently. The |
| 4 | sold its financial problems when in the | 4 | market risk premium is between 5 and 6 |
| 5 | Liberal government, in the early 1990s when | 5 | percent. This is what professionals say and |
| 6 | they slashed government spending by 20 | 6 | these are people that, they get this, |
| 7 | percent across the boarder, we moved into | 7 | they're professionals, they're either people |
| 8 | surplus since then. | 8 | working in investments banks, they're |
| 9 | Our interest rates have been | 9 | working in corporate finance in a finance |
| 10 | significantly lower than those in the United | 10 | function, they're professors of finance and |
| 11 | States, so I don't take the historic data. | 11 | this is what they say. Of course, there are |
| 12 | I look at the historic data and I tell my | 12 | extremes, somebody answers this response and |
| 13 | students, well first of all I tell my | 13 | they give a ridiculous number, but we look |
| 14 | students, engineers are a real problem and I | 14 | at the median, the middle number, and that's |
| 15 | don't know whether any members of the Board | 15 | 5.56 percent, something like that. |
| 16 | are engineers, but engineers believe models, | 16 | We then look at people who are |
| 17 | their models tell you what to do with a | 17 | actually professionals in this area selling |
| 18 | house and the house doesn't fall down. They | 18 | their service and Mr. Coyne says it uses the |
| 19 | tell you what to do with a bridge and with | 19 | Duff and Phelps, so now the Kroll data. He |
| 20 | luck, the bridge doesn't fall down. They | 20 | doesn't say what the Kroll estimate of the |
| 21 | tell you want to do with a damn and | 21 | market risk premium is. This was at a time |
| 22 | hopefully the damn works, but that's what | 22 | in my testimony where Kroll used 5.5 percent |
| 23 | engineers do. They believe in models and | 23 | over an adjusted risk-free rate of 3.5 |
| 24 | then they come to a finance class and they | 24 | percent. That's exactly what I do and I |
| 25 | take the dividend discount model, which I | 25 | would have to confess an interest, I author |


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| 1 | their Canadian analysis for their cost of | 1 | US expected rate of return has gone up. |
| 2 | capital navigator publication. That was | 2 | Their expectation of the bond return has |
| 3 | just recently, last week they lowered the | 3 | gone up, and these are people, just to |
| 4 | market risk premium to 5 percent. So that's | 4 | emphasize, these are people who advise major |
| 5 | people whose business is to make estimates | 5 | institutions on what they're doing with |
| 6 | and sell these estimates to corporations. | 6 | their money. |
| 7 | Aswath Damodoran is a profession at NYU. | 7 | Black Rock, the worlds biggest manager |
| 8 | He's a very good instructor. NYU, a lot of | 8 | of money, I always have trouble |
| 9 | their students end up on Wall Street, it's | 9 | understanding what they're doing and I think |
| 10 | literally right on Wall Street. This is his | 10 | I made a mistake here because I put in there |
| 11 | estimate of the market risk premium. I | 11 | stuff for Canada, but they don't have the |
| 12 | could disagree with the technical issues | 12 | Canadian equity market, they just have the |
| 13 | about how he do write that estimate and the | 13 | US equity market. The middle point of their |
| 14 | risk premium over what sort of bond, but his | 14 | estimate is that dot to dot value in the |
| 15 | market risk premium has been about, guess, | 15 | middle, very low expected returns on bonds |
| 16 | what, 5.5 percent. 5.5 percent Damodoran, 5 | 16 | because people expect bond yields to go up |
| 17 | percent Kroll, 5.5 to 6 percent by the | 17 | and as the bond yields go up, bond returns |
| 18 | responses to surveys, 5 to 6.5 historic | 18 | go down. So that's Black Rock. JP Morgan, |
| 19 | evidence, that's approximately where the | 19 | Jamie Dimon, the CEO of JP Morgan is the |
| 20 | market risk premium is. And I have | 20 | sort of rockstar of financial offices, he's |
| 21 | differences with Mr. Coyne about how to | 21 | frequently consulted by the US government. |
| 22 | calculate a market risk premium. I'm not | 22 | When he announced his retirement plans, the |
| 23 | going to go into it here, but I hope Ms. | 23 | price of JP Morgan stock went down, he's |
| 24 | Greene, if she's listening, will ask me a | 24 | that important in the capital markets. He |
| 25 | question about it because that's a technical | 25 | didn't prepare this, but his staff prepared |
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| 1 | issue. | 1 | this. Expectations of the capital market |
| 2 | Other investor expectations, this is | 2 | returns in the United States, straight DCF |
| 3 | required, what do people want and who | 3 | with a few twists. Basically dividend |
| 4 | provides the expectations, who provides the | 4 | yield, plus the US growth rate in GDP with |
| 5 | advice? Investment bankers do. TD, this | 5 | some tweaks in terms of where are we in the |
| 6 | was the report just before COVID and there's | 6 | business cycle in terms of profit margins. |
| 7 | a new one that I provided in answer to an | 7 | How does this translate into a per share |
| 8 | information request, market risk premium of | 8 | value? But basically we're looking at 7 |
| 9 | 5 to 6 percent by TD. Why do they do this? | 9 | percent plus, 8 percent, for the equity |
| 10 | Because they give advice to pension plans, | 10 | market. And as it gets more difficult to |
| 11 | basically. What assumptions do you have to | 11 | look at individual utilities, I've looked |
| 12 | use in your pension plan to determine | 12 | more at what constrains are judgment which |
| 13 | whether contribution rates go up and whether | 13 | is the overall expectation for the capital |
| 14 | the pension is funded. So that's TD, that's | 14 | market. Does Newfoundland Power accept |
| 15 | not me, that's TD. AQR, they're a group set | 15 | this? The answer is that they do. They |
| 16 | up in Chicago, Lower Chicago and | 16 | have a defined benefit pension plan. In |
| 17 | Northwestern PHDs, these are their real | 17 | answer to an information request, I asked |
| 18 | return, medium term expectations, not long- | 18 | them to tell us what assumptions does |
| 19 | term expectations. I've looked at $A Q R$ for a | 19 | Newfoundland Power use in their pension plan |
| 20 | long time. They're pioneers in the use of a | 20 | in terms of the equity rate of return and |
| 21 | lot of areas in finance. | 21 | they reported 3 percent for bonds, 7.1 |
| 22 | Equity return has gone down ' 24 versus | 22 | percent for equities, 4.1 percent risk |
| 23 | 2023. The bond return has gone up. Is this | 23 | premium and then they immediately, I think |
| 24 | unanimous? No. Bank of New York, Mellon, | 24 | immediately, I don't know exactly the |
| 25 | major custodian bank, their estimate of the | 25 | timespan, but they asked Mercer, their |


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| 1 | consultant, to convert these long run | 1 | Long Canada Bond in the ' 70 s and the ' 80 s , |
| 2 | returns to a one year return, which is what | 2 | and there was a suggestion that we need to |
| 3 | we tend to use when we calculate risk | 3 | adjust betas for this risk. So I got two |
| 4 | premiums, and that increases the equity | 4 | estimates for the beta then, the direct |
| 5 | return from 7.1 to 8.63. That's exactly the | 5 | estimate for beta which is what I've got |
| 6 | adjustment that I made in the report to the | 6 | down as beta 2, and then the other one is |
| 7 | TD Bank returns. It's a standard adjustment | 7 | the beta after we strip out the impact of |
| 8 | to convert a long-run rate of return to a | 8 | interest rate chances, to all intents and |
| 9 | short-run rate of return, a one-year rate of | 9 | purposes they are exactly the same. But in |
| 10 | return. | 10 | the early 2000s, we had negative betas and I |
| 11 | So, now, Newfoundland Power, their | 11 | noticed a reference to Jonathan Lesser in |
| 12 | actually is exactly the same as where I am. | 12 | the BCUC where he said he adjusted betas. I |
| 13 | No difference whatsoever. In fact, I've | 13 | adjust betas, I adjusted betas in the 2000 |
| 14 | done a lot of work for some of the biggest | 14 | because the reason for that and there may be |
| 15 | pension plans in Canada and they have to | 15 | some people in this room who got a memory as |
| 16 | work out exactly the same problem, what do | 16 | long as mine, a particular Canadian company |
| 17 | the markets expert for the rate of return, | 17 | called Nortel, Nortel and JDS Uniphase, at |
| 18 | for our pension plan and the flip of that is | 18 | one point made up about 35 percent of the |
| 19 | what does the corporation have to think | 19 | Toronto Stock Exchange by market value and |
| 20 | about in terms of return for this cost of | 20 | we were crazy and basically buying Internet |
| 21 | capital. They're two sides of the same | 21 | stocks during the Internet bubble in the |
| 22 | coin. The supply and the demand for the | 22 | early 2000s. They pushed out the Canadian |
| 23 | debt. | 23 | Stock Market and guess what, utilities |
| 24 | Relative risk beta, Mr. Coyne uses | 24 | stocks were not affected by the Internet |
| 25 | current values and in fact, one RFI asked me | 25 | bubble, so the recorded statistical estimate |
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| 1 | why don't I use current values? That's | 1 | of the beta during that period was in fact |
| 2 | because current values are not current | 2 | zero and negative. Was that expected to go |
| 3 | values. They're simply the most recent | 3 | forward? No. Nortel, as we know went |
| 4 | estimates generally over the past five year | 4 | bankrupt as soon as it dropped out of the |
| 5 | period. The last five-year period has been | 5 | estimation window to estimate betas. |
| 6 | COVID, a massive Central Bank intervention. | 6 | Utility betas reverted back to where they |
| 7 | That's a valued estimate if we think there's | 7 | were. So I adjusted betas during that |
| 8 | going to be another COVID and another | 8 | period. There's no question that you need |
| 9 | massive Central Bank intervention in the | 9 | judgment to interpret beta coefficients. |
| 10 | future. I don't think we're anticipating | 10 | Any statistic measures what's happened |
| 11 | another COVID 19 over the test years. This | 11 | during that period. |
| 12 | also became a major issue in the early 2000s | 12 | (9:30 a.m.) |
| 13 | and if you look at those numbers, the green | 13 | There's an old bit of Zen philosophy, |
| 14 | line is a sensitivity of utility stocks to | 14 | if a tree in the forest falls down, does it |
| 15 | interest rates, what I call gamma, and I | 15 | make any noise if there's no one there to |
| 16 | hate to say it, but we use alpha for the | 16 | hear it? Well, if nothing happens, you |
| 17 | intercept, beta for the first coefficient, | 17 | can't measure it and if something peculiar |
| 18 | gamma for the third, delta for the fourth, | 18 | happens, we measure it, but when we look at |
| 19 | epsilon for the-we use Greek letters and | 19 | interpreting that going forward, I didn't |
| 20 | that's the standard thing in statistics. So | 20 | think we would end up with another internet |
| 21 | the gamma or the sensitivity of utilities | 21 | bubble, it was a fad, the capital markets |
| 22 | talks of interest rates is very significant. | 22 | sometimes go off on these faddish things, |
| 23 | At times utility stocks of Canada have been | 23 | and I adjusted my betas during the 2000- |
| 24 | almost equivalent to the Long Canada Bond | 24 | everybody did. I do not slavishly adopt any |
| 25 | because we've had huge volatility of the | 25 | statistic. A statistic just represents what |


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| 1 | happened during that time period. A | 1 | become incredibly risky. Just yesterday I |
| 2 | statistician can estimate that, I could get | 2 | read a newspaper article, Michigan has gone |
| 3 | an undergraduate to estimate betas and do a | 3 | back again to try to get Enbridge's line |
| 4 | whole bunch of the work that I do, but you | 4 | five oil pipeline under the Lake Michigan |
| 5 | need an economist, somebody to understand | 5 | basically taken out of service. There's a |
| 6 | what was the economic environment that | 6 | lot of pressure on the pipelines. Does the |
| 7 | generated that datapoint? And that's what I | 7 | capital market recognize that? Yes, they |
| 8 | had, I do not slavishly produce statistics | 8 | do. Ever since early 2000, Enbridge, Trans |
| 9 | for the Board to use. I produce those | 9 | Canada and Pembina, which is another huge |
| 10 | statistics to the Board can look at them, | 10 | pipeline, their betas are way higher than |
| 11 | but I would tell the Board what I think | 11 | they are for the utility holding companies, |
| 12 | happened to generate that statistic and | 12 | so I've taken them out of my sample because |
| 13 | whether it's valued going forward. That's | 13 | they are bias, they are no longer rate of |
| 14 | the judgment, a professor of finance and | 14 | return regulated utilities. To include them |
| 15 | somebody that's being doing this for 38 | 15 | in the sample, well basically put in Bell |
| 16 | years. I've lived through all of these | 16 | Canada, BCE, because that used to be a rate |
| 17 | periods that came out with these estimates. | 17 | of return regulated company, but it's no |
| 18 | Betas in the US versus Canada. | 18 | longer a rate or return regulated company, |
| 19 | Canada is a different market to the | 19 | it hasn't been for 20 years. So I take out |
| 20 | United States. The betas for the gas | 20 | the pipes, I take out-I look at the |
| 21 | companies in the United States are quite | 21 | Americans, now I like to see Mr. Coyne in |
| 22 | similar to what they are in Canada. For the | 22 | the audience because I have to say he gets |
| 23 | last 30 years betas for electric companies | 23 | me really annoyed, really annoyed. He says |
| 24 | in the United States have been significantly | 24 | things that are simply not true. And I say |
| 25 | higher than the Canadian companies in the | 25 | that with great trepidation because I'm sure |
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| 1 | utility index, to the tune of about Nord .2. | 1 | Mr. O'Brien is going to ask me questions. |
| 2 | Nord . 2 times the 6 percent market risk | 2 | He said, and it's only his rebuttal |
| 3 | premium means a different of 1.2 percent in | 3 | testimony if somebody wants to maybe look at |
| 4 | the allowed ROE. I haven't seen anything to | 4 | that, he said Professor Booth is judgment, |
| 5 | demonstrate that the betas of US utilities, | 5 | judgment, judgment. My beta estimates are |
| 6 | electric utilities can be used in Canada | 6 | not judgment. My beta estimates are the |
| 7 | without exercising judgment. What about the | 7 | statistical estimates without any exercise |
| 8 | Canadian sample? I've been cross-examined | 8 | of judgment. I present those to the Board |
| 9 | because I used the words "forced to rely | 9 | because they can look at them to see whether |
| 10 | upon or use American data". I would prefer | 10 | they trend towards one or what the values |
| 11 | not to use American data, it's a different | 11 | are, and I go out and get other beta |
| 12 | country with different laws, different | 12 | estimates that are in the capital market. |
| 13 | regulations and different capital market | 13 | RBC, the Royal Bank of Canada, does not use |
| 14 | conditions. We're forced to look at the | 14 | my beta estimates. They produce their own |
| 15 | United States. A lot of the Canadian | 15 | beta estimates or they provide them to their |
| 16 | companies simply don't exist anymore and | 16 | clients. Yahoo, they use Compustats, |
| 17 | some that do, that I relied on for many | 17 | Standard and Poor's, they're not my beta |
| 18 | years, Enbridge and Trans Canada in | 18 | estimates. CFRA, it's interesting to think |
| 19 | particular, they were both rate of return | 19 | who they are. After the analyst scandal in |
| 20 | regulated companies, particularly Trans | 20 | the early 2000s, they were required to put |
| 21 | Canada, until the TQM decision in 2008 that | 21 | money providing independent research reports |
| 22 | took them off rate of return regulation and | 22 | and CFRA is one of those independent |
| 23 | basically put them on settlements and | 23 | research reports. They're not my betas. |
| 24 | they've been on settlements for the last 12 | 24 | Reuters, I have influence over what Reuters |
| 25 | years. And as we know, the pipelines have | 25 | whatsoever, now their betas, I don't know |


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| 1 | where they come from, but they're in the | 1 | model. How do the current beta compare to |
| 2 | capital market. So what I do is I provide | 2 | five years ago or three years ago and is it |
| 3 | my beta estimates and I benchmark them | 3 | adjusting in any way to its true value, |
| 4 | relative to Reuters, Thomson Reuters, one of | 4 | because you can calculate the true value |
| 5 | the biggest companies, RBC, biggest bank in | 5 | simply by setting beta T equal to beta T |
| 6 | Canada, Yahoo, one of the major providers | 6 | minus 5 and then solve it. And if you do |
| 7 | with Standard and Poor's of data. CFRA, an | 7 | that, which is what Marshall Blume did, you |
| 8 | independent research firm. I've benchmarked | 8 | get .33 for the Blume adjustment and a two- |
| 9 | by betas against their betas and lo and | 9 | thirds adjustment on the past value. That's |
| 10 | behold they're pretty similar. There are | 10 | not controversial, in fact, it's a truism, |
| 1 | differences because they used slightly | 11 | the overall beta has to be equal to one, |
| 12 | different techniques, and then finally I | 12 | that's by construction of the capital asset |
| 13 | started looking at the Global Mail. I read | 13 | pricing model, it's the yardstick, it's the |
| 14 | the Global Mail is they claim to be Canada's | 14 | market, and we rate securities relative to |
| 15 | premier newspaper, they report on business. | 15 | the market. So if you use all of the |
| 16 | They produce beta estimates. Now they have | 16 | securities in the database and you come up |
| 17 | beta estimates over three years, but they're | 17 | that its (unintelligible) beta is one, well, |
| 18 | there, they're not my judgment. They are | 18 | honky dory, that's absolutely predictable, |
| 19 | the statistics, those are the numbers that | 19 | that's by construction, it's a truism. Now |
| 20 | are in the capital market and I really get | 20 | do utilities trend towards one, well Blume |
| 21 | annoyed with Mr. Coyne says, well it's | 21 | was a statistical analysis, so if you told |
| 22 | Booth's judgment. It's not my judgment. | 22 | me don't know anything about the company, |
| 23 | These are what are in the capital market. | 23 | the beta is equal to Nord .2. I would say, |
| 24 | What about the US? Same organizations | 24 | well I know the beta is equal to 1 for the |
| 25 | estimate the betas for the US and these are | 25 | overall market, probably that's a |
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| 1 | the current estimates for the betas for the | 1 | measurement error, it's a problem, so I |
| 2 | year of the United States and they're about | 2 | would adjust it towards 1 and that's all |
| 3 | Nord. 6 and there's no question they have | 3 | that Blume does. So the question the Board |
| 4 | increased over the last couple of years, but | 4 | needs to ask is if they were told the beta |
| 5 | when we look at this, had they increased | 5 | for a utility was Nord.5, do they say I know |
| 6 | over a long period of time? Well if you | 6 | nothing about that Nord.5, I know nothing |
| 7 | look at the last little blip at the end of | 7 | about the utility, I will adjust it towards |
| 8 | that 2018 until now, they've increased, but | 8 | 1? Well I certainly wouldn't because I've |
| 9 | they're not as high as they were in 2007. | 9 | been looking at utilities for the last 35, |
| 10 | They tend to go up and down with the state | 10 | 38 years. I know they're low risk and I |
| 11 | of the capital market. Beta adjustment, Mr. | 11 | would not be surprised in the beta was equal |
| 12 | Coyne is fond of saying that I'm the only | 12 | to Nord. 5 or Nord.4, so when you look at |
| 13 | person that uses unadjusted betas and it's | 13 | this, you say well how do utility betas |
| 14 | standard to use adjusted betas. That is | 14 | adjust? Combola and Kahl, for a long time |
| 15 | absolutely, absolutely nonsense, that is | 15 | was-the gold standard they actually looked |
| 16 | incorrect. What Marshall Blume did was he | 16 | at US utilities and they said they don't |
| 17 | estimated the beta in time period T and then | 17 | adjust towards 1 , they adjust towards their |
| 18 | he looked at how does that compare with the | 18 | mean, which is what you might expect. If |
| 19 | beta of 5 years earlier and four years and | 19 | you think the beta for a utility should be |
| 20 | three years, he used different time periods. | 20 | Nord. 5 and you come up with Nord.2, then you |
| 21 | And you have to go back to long periods of | 21 | say, well, I don't think it's equivalent to |
| 22 | time to avoid using the same datapoint in | 22 | the overall risk in the market, but I think |
| 23 | both of the estimates, so you have to make | 23 | it's low, so I'll adjust it towards what I |
| 24 | sure that you don't use overlapping betas. | 24 | expect it to be, around Nord.5. More |
| 25 | So this is what we call a partial adjustment | 25 | recently Michefielder and Theodossiou, they |



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| 1 | Coyne criticized me for judgment, that is my | 1 | DCF, dividend yield plus growth, this was |
| 2 | judgment, 3.8 percent. I don't think that a | 2 | invented by my late colleague, Professor |
| 3 | long Canada bond yield below 3.7, 3.8 | 3 | Myron Gordon, contrary to what Mr. Coyne has |
| 4 | percent satisfies the fair market value. | 4 | said, when I started testifying, I used four |
| 5 | 3.8 percent for taxable investor and I'd | 5 | models to estimate a fair rate of return, |
| 6 | hope all members of the panel are taxable | 6 | two of which were discounted cashflow, two |
| 7 | investors and I would expect them to be in | 7 | discounted cashflow, one of which was on a |
| 8 | one of the biggest tax brackets in Canada. | 8 | sample of 6 Telcos because they're a rate of |
| 9 | If you're 50 percent, taxed for simple. 3.8 | 9 | return regulation, two for oil and gas and |
| 10 | percent is 1.9 percent after tax. We have 2 | 10 | energy utilities, one for risk premium over |
| 11 | percent inflation. Any taxable investor | 11 | preferred shares and one for the capital |
| 12 | buying bonds below 3.8 percent absolutely | 12 | asset pricing model. So 25 percent of my |
| 13 | guaranteed to lose money over time. That is | 13 | testimony was based upon the capital asset |
| 14 | not consistent with bond yields being | 14 | pricing model. That was right where, until |
| 15 | determined by taxable investors in a free | 15 | the Telcos got deregulated and that was |
| 16 | open, fair, competitive market. So I used | 16 | basically in the mid ' 90 s , the early ' 90 s. |
| 17 | 3.8 percent. This Board accepted that way | 17 | So we couldn't use those, so half my |
| 18 | back in, I think it was 2012. The BCUC | 18 | estimates went out the window. Not because |
| 19 | accepted that in their automatic adjustment | 19 | I wanted them to go out the window, but |
| 20 | model. So that is my judgment. Anybody | 20 | because the data wasn't there anymore. Risk |
| 21 | that tells me that a taxable investor is | 21 | (unintelligible) over preferreds, we used to |
| 22 | going to buy bonds at 2 percent, I'm telling | 22 | have more preferred shares in the capital |
| 23 | them they're losing money and that is | 23 | market and we used to have a couple of |
| 24 | absolutely crazy. | 24 | companies create a preferred share indexes |
| 25 | Credit risk adjustment, I'll talk about | 25 | and so I used them and I estimated a risk |
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| 1 | that, but we started making that adjustment | 1 | premium over for equities over an equivalent |
| 2 | when the automatic ROE formulas gave what we | 2 | taxed instrument, debt securities are not an |
| 3 | regard as unsatisfactory results in 2009. | 3 | equivalent taxed instrument. Preferred |
| 4 | Utility risk premium, beta .5 to 6 , market | 4 | shares are, so we should be measuring risk |
| 5 | risk premium, .55 to .6 . That's what the | 5 | premiums for Newfoundland Power over |
| 6 | data tells us, it's my judgment as well. | 6 | preferred shares, but we don't have the data |
| 7 | That gives us the equity cost, the | 7 | anymore. The Toronto Stock Exchange, they |
| 8 | discounted rate that investors use. The | 8 | stopped calculating the preferred share |
| 9 | only difference between that and the fair | 9 | index because it's absolutely true that |
| 10 | allowed return is that we allow for issue | 10 | they're not as liquid as they used to be and |
| 11 | costs and expenses. An adjustment to the | 11 | there's not as many in the capital market. |
| 12 | ROE adds 50 basis points. Why? Because | 12 | So three of my four methods went out in the |
| 13 | that's what we've use for the last 10 years | 13 | early '90s and we did go to risk premium |
| 14 | and it's not been controversial, except in | 14 | models, particularly with the ROE adjustment |
| 15 | Quebec where they say show me, prove me that | 15 | models introduced by the National Energy |
| 16 | they're actually an expense attached to | 16 | Board of the BCUC. Right the way up until |
| 17 | issue costs that we can charge off to | 17 | 2009 and the enormous reduction in long-term |
| 18 | investors. And I asked Newfoundland Power | 18 | Canada bonds, particularly after the US |
| 19 | and they said, well, they've actually never | 19 | started buying bonds, seriously buying bonds |
| 20 | incurred any costs, so it's a legal question | 20 | in 2011, and that knocked the risk value- |
| 21 | whether or not you can charge ratepayers an | 21 | sorry, not the risk value, the time value, |
| 22 | extra 50 basis points for issued costs that | 22 | the risk free rate, we started getting |
| 23 | Newfoundland Power has not incurred. But I | 23 | measures for the risk free rate that gave us |
| 24 | always include 50 basis points. That's | 24 | bad results. So I would agree with Mr. |
| 25 | where I get my fair ROE. Discount rates, | 25 | Coyne on this, that the risk premium model |


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| 1 | started giving bad results if you | 1 | domain. I quote The Economist. I quote |
| 2 | mechanically used it in after about 2011. | 2 | RBC. They're biased. And by biased I don't |
| 3 | And I started putting in an appendix, an | 3 | mean they've got an in-built "let's do this. |
| 4 | analysis of DCF versus risk premium because | 4 | Let's get the forecast up". It's what we |
| 5 | they should give exactly the same answers, | 5 | can an optimism bias. They're attached to |
| 6 | but at various points in time they've not | 6 | their utilities and they tend to get |
| 7 | given the same answers because there's | 7 | overfond of the companies that they're |
| 8 | estimation error attached to the future | 8 | looking at. |
| 9 | growth in the DCF model and there's | 9 | DCF for US electric utilities, I use |
| 10 | estimation errors attached to estimated and | 10 | the analysts' forecast and came up with a |
| 11 | market risk premium. | 11 | forecast for about just under nine percent. |
| 12 | What we do use in DCF, primarily we use | 12 | You add in 50 basis points, you got nine and |
| 13 | analyst growth forecasts. These are not | 13 | a half percent, if you believe those |
| 14 | dividend. It's a dividend discount model, | 14 | forecasts. And I will admit Mr. Coyne's |
| 15 | not an earnings discount model. And the | 15 | correct. They do that in the United States. |
| 16 | problem is that earnings are way more | 16 | But you have to ask how big is the biased |
| 17 | volatile than dividends, way more volatile. | 17 | and that's when we get to looking at the |
| 18 | This is evidence for the TXS going back to | 18 | sustainable growth rate. |
| 19 | 1956. The compound growth rate of dividends | 19 | Growth has to come from somewhere. |
| 20 | and earnings are basically the same. | 20 | This is not some manna coming out of the |
| 21 | There's a slight difference. Over long | 21 | thin air. It comes from firms retaining |
| 22 | periods of time, volatility irons out and | 22 | earnings and investing it in the business |
| 23 | they're basically the same. The average | 23 | and earning a rate of return on those |
| 24 | growth rate, the average one-year growth | 24 | earnings. That's what we call the retention |
| 25 | rate for earnings, way more volatile because | 25 | rate, B , times the rate of return they earn. |
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| 1 | they tend to go up and down with a business | 1 | B times R is the sustainable growth rate. |
| 2 | cycle. | 2 | There is another minor term that's not |
| 3 | So, if you rely upon short-term growth | 3 | material, which we can talk about. But you |
| 4 | forecasts coming from earnings, those | 4 | can reverse engineer that. Utilities pay |
| 5 | estimates are biased for long-run dividend | 5 | out large dividends. About two-thirds of |
| 6 | growth rates and that's just because | 6 | their earnings are paid out in dividends. |
| 7 | earnings are more volatile and they're more | 7 | One-third are reinvested. So, if the growth |
| 8 | volatile for individual companies than they | 8 | rate actually is five or six percent, and |
| 9 | are for the overall stock market. | 9 | I'll take six percent because the math's |
| 10 | Analyst bias, I won't bore you with | 10 | easy, if six percent is the growth rate and |
| 11 | this. I don't - these are sell-side | 11 | B is the retention rate of about a third, |
| 12 | analysts. Their business is to sell | 12 | then R has to be 18 percent. I think any |
| 13 | securities, which is why we call them sell- | 13 | utility analyst that says over a long period |
| 14 | side analysts. If they were unbiased, we | 14 | of time, for infinity, utilities are going |
| 15 | wouldn't have buy-side analysts. We do have | 15 | to earn 18 percent, is smoking something. |
| 16 | buy-side analysts. Practically every | 16 | And that's why we use the sustainable growth |
| 17 | pension fund insurance company has analysts, | 17 | rate. It's a measure of testing the bias in |
| 18 | buy-side analysts that evaluate the reports. | 18 | the analyst forecast for growth, and I've |
| 19 | We know they're biased. I've never seen | 19 | got sustainable growth rates and they should |
| 20 | anything that indicates that analysts | 20 | be the same as reasonable estimates, but |
| 21 | produce unbiased estimates. Their estimates | 21 | analyst growth rates are overestimated. |
| 22 | may be better than using a simple | 22 | My DCF estimates, they're more varied. |
| 23 | extrapolation but that doesn't mean to say | 23 | I tend to look nowadays at a risk hierarchy. |
| 24 | that they're unbiased. They're clearly | 24 | We've got the money market rate. We got the |
| 25 | biased and this is even in the public | 25 | long Canada rate. We got the preferred |


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| 1 | rate. We got the overall rate in the | 1 | recommending that for Newfoundland Power. I |
| 2 | capital market and where do we fit a utility | 2 | know you're not going to accept it. I |
| 3 | in that risk hierarchy? Canadian equity | 3 | recommended 40 percent. 45 percent, as I |
| 4 | markets, $8.1,8.75$ percent. I should add | 4 | said, is almost off the table. So, can they |
| 5 | Mercer's estimate for Newfoundland Power, | 5 | finance? According to the Alberta Utilities |
| 6 | which is slightly greater than 8.75 , but | 6 | Commission, they can finance. That supports |
| 7 | it's not materially different from anyone | 7 | an A bond rating. So, that's not me. |
| 8 | else's. DCF equity market returns, they're | 8 | That's not my judgment. That's the Alberta |
| 9 | more volatile because they're for the S\&P | 9 | Utilities Commission. Now, I'm sure Mr. |
| 10 | 500 and half their earnings come from | 10 | O'Brien's going to say, "well, this means a |
| 11 | outside the United States. Average Canada | 11 | nine percent ROE. If we accept Dr. Booth's |
| 12 | ROE, we know what typical Canadian firms | 12 | 7.7 percent, they can't finance" or |
| 13 | earn. It's under ten percent. Asset | 13 | something like that. That's not correct. |
| 14 | manager long run returns, what are the | 14 | I draw your attention to the tax rate. |
| 15 | actual expectations of major investment | 15 | Alberta's a low tax jurisdiction, 23 percent |
| 16 | banks advising their clients seven to nine | 16 | tax rate. Unfortunately, Newfoundland is a |
| 17 | percent. DCF equity cost US electric | 17 | high tax jurisdiction. Newfoundland Power |
| 18 | utilities, $6.8,6.9$ percent and that's a | 18 | is predicting 30-35 percent tax rate. What |
| 19 | sustainable growth. You need to add 50 | 19 | matters is the pretax equity cost because |
| 20 | basis points for that to get it up. But | 20 | equity return is after tax. So, to get the |
| 21 | that's not any different from any of the | 21 | pretax equity cost, which is what we use in |
| 22 | other estimates. Well, I think the click is | 22 | the earnings before interest and tax, in |
| 23 | telling me my presentation is over. | 23 | earnings before interest and tax, we |
| 24 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 24 | basically take the allowed return of nine |
| 25 | Q. I don't think it is, is it? | 25 | percent and divide by one minus the tax |
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| 1 | DR. BOOTH: | 1 | rate. So, that's nine percent divided by |
| 2 | A. But it isn't. It's almost over, Mr. | 2 | .77 and you get a number, I think it's 11.4 |
| 3 | O'Brien. | 3 | percent. That's the pretax cost in Alberta. |
| 4 | COFFEY, KC: | 4 | (10:00 a.m.) |
| 5 | Q. There it is. It's on the scree | 5 | I hate to tell you but 8.5 percent in |
| 6 | DR. BOOTH: | 6 | Newfoundland, you have to divide not by .77. |
| 7 | A. Okay. Financing. There are some area | 7 | You have to divide by .7 or .69. And the |
| 8 | testimony that I'm familiar with, but I | 8 | pretax cost of equity in this province is |
| 9 | don't want to get bogged down by providing | 9 | about 12.4 percent, a lot higher than in |
| 10 | estimates simply because they can end up | 10 | Alberta. So, even at a lower allowed ROE, |
| 11 | getting lots of RFIs and taking you down a | 11 | the financial metrics are better for |
| 12 | rabbit hole. So, I rely upon the Alberta | 12 | Newfoundland Power than they are for the |
| 13 | Utilities Commission for - because they spot | 13 | typical Alberta utility because we have to |
| 14 | check their estimates. They say, "we | 14 | consider the equity is an after-tax cost and |
| 15 | provide you with these financial parameters. | 15 | the ratepayers pay the pretax cost. So, |
| 16 | Is it financeable? Can you maintain an A | 16 | that's what I've got to say about |
| 17 | bond rating?" This is their table coming | 17 | financings. |
| 18 | out of the 2023 report and notably, all the | 18 | Final thing is the adjustment formula. |
| 19 | way at the bottom there is 45 percent common | 19 | I'm a great believer in ROE adjustment |
| 20 | equity ratio, almost off the table. At the | 20 | formulas. I was involved in the BCUC |
| 21 | top is 30 percent. | 21 | decision in 1994 that put the BCUC, the BC |
| 22 | I recommended for years 35 percent is | 22 | utilities on an adjustment formula with an |
| 23 | the common equity for a pure T\&D utility. | 23 | adjustment of 100 percent to the change in |
| 24 | The AUC allows 37 percent, which is a little | 24 | the long Canada bond yield. I was in the |
| 25 | bit greater than my 35 percent. I'm not | 25 | NEB hearings that ended up with the RH-294 |


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| 1 | formula and I was in the hearing in 2001 | 1 | after that, everybody retooled their |
| 2 | when the NEB confirmed its ROE formula and | 2 | formulas and we retooled the formulas to |
| 3 | confirmed the use of risk premium models. | 3 | make sure that 2008-2009 wouldn't happen |
| 4 | The NEB still publishes all of the data for | 4 | again, and we added this credit spread |
| 5 | its formula because it's still used and I'll | 5 | adjustment, 50 percent of the change in the |
| 6 | say that again, it is still used. It's used | 6 | default spread from what was before the |
| 7 | in contracts by -- that stipulated the ROE | 7 | financial crisis where it was typically one |
| 8 | will be determined by the NEB formula. So, | 8 | percent. Now, it's never got back to one |
| 9 | at the request of shippers and other | 9 | percent, but we can talk about. But since |
| 10 | parties, the NEB publishes all that | 10 | then, this Board, the Alberta board, the BC |
| 11 | information. | 11 | Utilities Commission, the Regie, the Ontario |
| 12 | So, that first column has the forecast | 12 | - everybody moved to a formula and adjusted |
| 13 | long Canada bond yield. The second column | 13 | by having a credit spread. |
| 14 | has the NEB formula ROE and the third column | 14 | Then a second leg happened. The second |
| 15 | has Booth 1. I actually had two ways of | 15 | leg was the US didn't recover from its |
| 16 | adjusting it based upon when the ROE formula | 16 | financial crisis, and I was here in 2009 and |
| 17 | was affirmed. I actually used 2001 because | 17 | 2012. We were waiting on the United States. |
| 18 | that was when it was affirmed to be correct. | 18 | We recovered. The US was still in desperate |
| 19 | And then you can look at this and I've | 19 | straits and it caused the US to have massive |
| 20 | brought your attention to 2008-2009. | 20 | central bank intervention in 2011, at the |
| 21 | I was in the TQM hearing at the time | 21 | same time as the Euro crisis and the |
| 22 | that Lehman Brothers was let go. Markets | 22 | problems with Greece and the PIGS, Portugal |
| 23 | were in freefall. I actually had lunch with | 23 | and Italy, Spain and Greece. Euro was in |
| 24 | the lawyer for TransCanada, as well as my | 24 | desperate straits. Massive central bank |
| 25 | own lawyer. We were shocked at what was | 25 | intervention and you can see it in the bond |
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| 1 | happening in the United States. The US | 1 | yields. The forecast bond yield in the NEB |
| 2 | almost destroyed its whole banking system. | 2 | formula went from 4.55 percent in 2008 down |
| 3 | The number of banks that failed is | 3 | to $4.36,4.3$, it's actually 1723 (phonetic) |
| 4 | incredible, and the biggest bank in the | 4 | to - it went down and down and down and down |
| 5 | world at that time, Citibank, would have | 5 | and we just started increasing and then |
| 6 | failed with cataclysmic implications. So, | 6 | along came Covid and so, we were looking |
| 7 | we were in dire straits and the NEB was | 7 | pretty good in 2018 and then 2019 things |
| 8 | having a hearing right in the middle of the | 8 | were beginning to recover and then the Bank |
| 9 | worst financial meltdown since 1937 and we | 9 | of Canada joined the bond buying program. |
| 10 | had this anomalous result. Classic rush for | 10 | So, the problem with the Capital asset |
| 11 | safety. Bond yields went down. Government | 11 | pricing model, as I said, I do not believe |
| 12 | bond yields went down. Anything that was | 12 | any of the long Canada bond yield since 2012 |
| 13 | perceived as risky was sold, including A | 13 | satisfy the fair return standard. They're |
| 14 | rated debt. | 14 | not fair market value and I used 3.8 percent |
| 15 | So, A rated debt and the credit spread | 15 | consistently through that period. So, when |
| 16 | between A rated debt and Canadian bond | 16 | Mr. Coyne says, "well, interest rates have |
| 17 | yields reached very, very high levels, about | 17 | gone up since 2022", hunky dory, yes, great, |
| 18 | 180, 190 basis points, and that was even for | 18 | just means to say we're not as bad as they |
| 19 | utility debt. And the utilities | 19 | were for the last 12 years, but they're |
| 20 | legitimately said, "why should our ROE go | 20 | still not 3.8 percent. They still don't |
| 21 | down when our borrowing costs have gone up?" | 21 | satisfy fair market value. |
| 22 | and that was a perfectly legitimate | 22 | So, do I recommend that you put |
| 23 | question. So, the NEB decided we'll go with | 23 | Newfoundland Power back on an automatic |
| 24 | settlements with shippers and the utilities | 24 | adjustment mechanism? The Alberta Utility |
| 25 | rather than have more - a new formula. But | 25 | Commission seem to reject all informed |


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| 1 | judgment. Nobody wanted an automatic ROE | 1 | that. We are getting close. |
| 2 | mechanism in Alberta and they just put one | 2 | The decision on automatic ROE formula |
| 3 | in. Huge advantages. They worked for 15 | 3 | depends upon whether the Board makes a |
| 4 | years with the NEB formula. My judgment | 4 | decision for regulator efficiency and not |
| 5 | would be that we're getting close to the 3.8 | 5 | have ROE hearings and then rely upon NP to |
| 6 | percent trigger. If you look at the | 6 | come -- Newfoundland Power to come back and |
| 7 | adjustment to credit spreads, you've got a | 7 | say the results aren't satisfactory. And if |
| 8 | current NEB formula for 2024 of 8.18 | 8 | results aren't satisfactory, then they'll go |
| 9 | percent. If you use 3.8 percent, you're up | 9 | to you, come to the Consumer Advocate, |
| 10 | to 8.44 which I think is getting back to | 10 | possibly come to me, and I don't think we're |
| 11 | where we were before this dramatic shock to | 11 | unreasonable in looking at this. I've |
| 12 | the financial system. As I said, we're | 12 | suggested that the Board put in a trigger, |
| 13 | still in a hangover from Covid. We're | 13 | 3.8 percent. If the long Canada rate |
| 14 | actually still in a hangover from the US | 14 | forecast in two years time exceeds 3.8 |
| 15 | financial crisis. We have to deal with | 15 | percent, then give NP 75 percent of the |
| 16 | this. | 16 | increase in the long Canada rate. Don't |
| 17 | Do I recommend the Board put in an | 17 | reduce it if it doesn't get above 3.8 |
| 18 | automatic adjustment formula? To be honest, | 18 | percent. |
| 19 | I'm indifferent. If your decision is to | 19 | Am I optimistic in that? I read the |
| 20 | have three-year GRAs, the first two years of | 20 | transcript with Mr. Kelly eight years ago. |
| 21 | that three-year period are done. So, we're | 21 | I was extremely pessimistic about the |
| 22 | talking about putting in an automatic | 22 | forecast for long Canada bond yields despite |
| 23 | adjustment formula for the third year. I | 23 | the investment banks and the forecasters |
| 24 | don't see great benefit from that. If you | 24 | saying they were going to increase. They |
| 25 | want to reap economic efficiencies in | 25 | didn't increase. I said in three to five |
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| 1 | regulating Newfoundland Power, you have to | 1 | years time, I don't think they're going to |
| 2 | say we're going to put in a formula and we | 2 | increase, and I said, specifically said, |
| 3 | don't want to hear ROE testimony in three | 3 | I'll come back here and say give them 7.5 |
| 4 | years time or four years time or five years | 4 | percent, the same as my current |
| 5 | time. It's indefinite, the way the NEB | 5 | recommendation. So, I was entirely correct |
| 6 | formula was. Now, the NEB formula lasted | 6 | in 2016. |
| 7 | for 15 years, but TransCanada kept objecting | 7 | Right now, the Bank of Canada has over |
| 8 | to it. Twice they objected to it and one of | 8 | 300 billion dollars worth of Government of |
| 9 | them to appeal and they lost. So, even an | 9 | Canada bonds that it intends to sell. It's |
| 10 | indefinite period still allows the utility | 10 | only sold about a third of its stockpile of |
| 11 | to say the results are unfair. | 11 | Government of Canada bonds. If the Bank of |
| 12 | And I'll remind the Board that in 2011, | 12 | Canada dumps those bonds in the capital |
| 13 | when interest rates came down, Newfoundland | 13 | market, absolutely no question, the price |
| 14 | Power came to the Board. The Board came to | 14 | will go down and the yield will go up. |
| 15 | the Consumer Advocate. The Consumer | 15 | Where the long Canada bond goes is entirely |
| 16 | Advocate came to me and said, "is it | 16 | dependent upon the unwinding of the Bank of |
| 17 | reasonable to suspend the ROE formula?" I | 17 | Canada's stockpile of bonds. Exactly the |
| 18 | said yes, because long-term | 18 | same as it is in the United States where the |
| 19 | Canada rates didn't satisfy what I regard as | 19 | Feds got an even bigger stockpile of US |
| 20 | fair market value. So, I don't think I'm | 20 | treasuries. So, for the last 15 years, the |
| 21 | unreasonable. I agreed with Newfoundland | 21 | markets have paid attention to every single |
| 22 | Power to suspend the ROE formula. I don't | 22 | utterance of the central banks because it |
| 23 | think the Capital Asset Pricing model has | 23 | dominates everything since the global |
| 24 | worked without the application of judgment | 24 | financial crisis. |
| 25 | since 2009 and I agree with Mr. Coyne on | 25 | So, I have no objection to you putting |



|  | Page 57days. Are you - your suggestion that Mr. | Page 59 |  |  |  |
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| 1 |  | 1 |  | more. |  |
| 2 | Coyne is a liar, you suggested that today. | 2 |  | 'BRIEN: |  |
| 3 | DR. BOOTH: | 3 | Q. | Well, le |  |
| 4 | A. I think I did suggest it. | 4 |  | through |  |
| 5 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 5 |  | Board, |  |
| 6 | Q. You did. You did say that. | 6 |  | Power | on a |
| 7 | DR. BOOTH: | 7 |  | number |  |
| 8 | A. And - | 8 |  | Is that the |  |
| 9 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 9 |  | evidence |  |
| 10 | Q. And - | 10 |  | OOTH: |  |
| 11 | DR. BOOTH: | 11 |  | That sou |  |
| 12 | A. Can I take you through his comments for the | 12 |  | 'BRIEN: |  |
| 13 | way - | 13 |  | Yeah, |  |
| 14 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 14 |  | the 2010 | it was, |
| 15 | Q. No. | 15 |  | '15-16 | 22 GRA, |
| 16 | DR. BOOTH: | 16 |  | as well a |  |
| 17 | A. - on his rebuttal? | 17 |  | OOTH: |  |
| 18 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 18 | A. | Correct. |  |
| 19 | Q. I'd like to finish my question. | 19 |  | 'BRIEN: |  |
| 20 | DR. BOOTH: | 20 |  | Okay. |  |
| 21 | A. Okay. | 21 |  | testified |  |
| 22 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 22 |  | cases? |  |
| 23 | Q. Okay. So, you're suggesting that Mr. Coyne | 23 |  | OOTH: |  |
| 24 | is a liar and your suggestion that utility | 24 | A. | That's c |  |
| 25 | witnesses essentially should bow down to | 25 |  | 'BRIEN: |  |
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| 1 | your testimony. You have pay Whack-a-Mole - | 1 | Q. | Okay, a |  |
| 2 | play Whack-a-Mole with everything they bring | 2 |  | take you | ugh |
| 3 | up in order to come to your testimony, to | 3 |  | the testi |  |
| 4 | your way of thinking. Do you believe that's | 4 |  | provide |  |
| 5 | an objective and impartial way for a witness | 5 |  | concern | ies of |
| 6 | to testify before a board? | 6 |  | your rep |  |
| 7 | DR. BOOTH: | 7 |  | that I'm |  |
| 8 | A. No, I think it's the job of a witness to | 8 |  | you're p |  |
| 9 | provide impartial, objective evidence to the | 9 |  | what's |  |
| 10 | Board and lay out all of the information so | 10 |  | you made | r. Coyne |
| 11 | the Board can reasonably use that data to | 11 |  | and Con |  |
| 12 | form an opinion and that the Board can see | 12 |  | which I |  |
| 13 | where the data is before the analyst | 13 |  | Concentri | iate |
| 14 | exercises their judgment. We all exercise | 14 |  | fair retur |  |
| 15 | judgment, but the question is: what's the | 15 |  | had cite |  |
| 16 | starting point? What is the data? And I | 16 |  | standard |  |
| 17 | don't think Mr. Coyne has done that. | 17 |  | that? |  |
| 18 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 18 |  | BOOTH: |  |
| 19 | Q. Okay. You have? | 19 | A. | I do, and |  |
| 20 | DR. BOOTH: | 20 |  | draw you |  |
| 21 | A. Absolutely. I presented not just my | 21 |  | rebuttal. |  |
| 22 | estimates, I presented all these other | 22 |  | 'BRIEN: |  |
| 23 | estimates from people. I presented more | 23 |  | Okay. A |  |
| 24 | independent estimates of the market risk | 24 |  | EY, KC: |  |
| 25 | premium and betas than has Mr. Coyne, a lot | 25 | Q. | If he could |  |


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| 1 | he answer the question? | 1 | the question, the witness wants to go to the |
| 2 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 2 | rebuttal. |
| 3 | Q. Well, what I was going to - | 3 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 4 | COFFEY, KC: | 4 | Q. And I - |
| 5 | Q. Could he finish answering the question, | 5 | CHAIRMAN: |
| 6 | please? | 6 | Q. That's fair. |
| 7 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 7 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 8 | Q. Yes, he can, and - | 8 | Q. Yeah. I just wanted to make sure that that |
| 9 | CHAIRMAN: | 9 | was the accurate standard that was cited. |
| 10 | Q. Yeah, just - | 10 | COFFEY, KC: |
| 11 | COFFEY, KC: | 11 | Q. Well, he confirmed that, and he - |
| 12 | Q. Because you raised it, Mr. O'Brien. | 12 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 13 | CHAIRMAN: | 13 | Q. And he did confirm that. So, you can take |
| 14 | Q. If you want to clarify your question. | 14 | me to the rebuttal. |
| 15 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 15 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 16 | Q. It's a part of the question is what I wanted | 16 | A. That's absolutely correct, Mr. O'Brien. |
| 17 | to say, is that I wanted to show you where | 17 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 18 | it was cited in Concentric's evidence, what | 18 | Q. Yeah, okay. |
| 19 | the fair return standard was, and I wanted | 19 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 20 | you to confirm whether or not that was | 20 | A. That's the legal standard. I've been |
| 21 | accurate. Can we do that? | 21 | putting that in my testimony for the last 30 |
| 22 | DR. BOOTH: | 22 | plus years. |
| 23 | A. That's correct | 23 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 24 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 24 | Q. And so finish your answer then. That's |
| 25 | Q. Okay. So, if we can pull up Concentric | 25 | good. |
|  | $\text { Page } 62$ <br> direct, page five, the fair return standard, | 1 | DR. BOOTH: $\quad$ Page 64 |
| 2 | direct, page five, the fair return standard, there's a section there that's outlined, and | 2 | A. And I've seen American witnesses that in, |
| 3 | lines 1 to 10, Concentric goes through the | 3 | but American witnesses are coming from |
| 4 | principle surrounding the concept of a fair | 4 | America, and if you read Mr. Coyne's |
| 5 | return standard and cites the Northwest | 5 | rebuttal testimony, and I don't know whether |
| 6 | Utilities case, the Supreme Court of Canada | 6 | he did this or Mr. Trogonoski did, and he |
| 7 | case. So, they cite that fair return | 7 | said this yesterday or perhaps it was the |
| 8 | standard. Is that an accurate depiction of | 8 | day before, page two. "Further, his ROE |
| 9 | the fair return standard in Canada? | 9 | recommendations would not provide the |
| 10 | DR. BOOTH: | 10 | company with a return that is comparable to |
| 11 | A. I think he uses - yes, that's just Mr. | 11 | those of other companies with similar |
| 12 | Justice Lamont's definition. | 12 | business and financial risk." |
| 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 14 | Q. Yeah, okay. | 14 | Q. Okay. |
| 15 | DR. BOOTH: | 15 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 16 | A. But go to his rebuttal testimony. | 16 | A. Other companies. That is not the fair |
| 17 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 17 | return standard. |
| 18 | Q. No, and I will, and I do want you to - | 18 | CHAIRMAN: |
| 19 | COFFEY, KC: | 19 | Q. Excuse me. Could you just point out which |
| 20 | Q. No, if he could. | 20 | page you're referring to? |
| 21 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 21 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 22 | Q. - have that opportunity to do that. I just | 22 | A. Page two. |
| 23 | want to make sure that's - | 23 | CHAIRMAN: |
| 24 | COFFEY, KC: | 24 | Q. Page two? |
| 25 | Q. Mr. Chair, Mr. Chair, could I-in answering | 25 | DR. BOOTH: |



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| 1 | Canada that it's a security market issue. | 1 |  | leg comes in because - and we've gone |
| 2 | It's what investors in the security market | 2 |  | through this at the Alberta Utility |
| 3 | want is their discount rate, and that's what | 3 |  | Commission. Suppose for whatever reason, a |
| 4 | I estimate. | 4 |  | utility has a high embedded cost of debt. |
| 5 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 5 |  | Perhaps it's, just take an extreme example, |
| 6 | Q. Okay. So, it's a comparable security | 6 |  | ten percent. Now, this is not the case for |
| 7 | investment or - | 7 |  | Newfoundland Power, but if it's got a very |
| 8 | BOOTH: | 8 |  | high embedded cost of debt, then if you |
| 9 | A. It's a comparative investment in securities. | 9 |  | lower the allowed ROE to a fair return, all |
| 10 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 10 |  | of these financial metrics get squeezed and |
| 1 | Q. Okay. I'm trying to understand what your | 11 |  | as a result, the utility may have problem |
| 12 | position is here so that we have that clear | 12 |  | accessing capital and this has happened |
| 13 | before the Board. Does it also include then | 13 |  | before. In a Consumers Gas hearing, |
| 14 | the financial integrity standard? | 14 |  | Consumers Gas couldn't satisfy its trust |
| 15 | DR. BOOTH: | 15 |  | indenture because of the allowed ROE and |
| 16 | A. Yes. If you - look, if you give peop | 16 |  | they wanted an increase in the ROE. And my |
| 17 | they want or what they require, you | 17 |  | answer to that has always been, you're |
| 18 | automatically satisfy the financial | 18 |  | trying to solve a bond market problem by |
| 19 | integrity standard. | 19 |  | changing the equity market, and that's not |
| 20 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 20 |  | the correct way of looking at it. If in |
| 21 | Q. And Mr. Coyne, Concentric says that as well. | 21 |  | fact, there is a bond market problem, you |
| 22 | DR. BOOTH: | 22 |  | don't reward the equity holders with a |
| 23 | A. I don't know about that. I've always looked | 23 |  | higher than fair ROE. You take other |
| 24 | at the three requirements as being just | 24 |  | measures to address the capital attraction |
| 25 | different ways of looking at the same thing. | 25 |  | without folding everything into the ROE. In |
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| 1 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 1 |  | a nutshell, the equity holder shouldn't get |
| 2 | Q. Okay. But he indicated there was three legs | 2 |  | a higher ROE simply because a firm has a |
| 3 | of a stool to look at the same thing. I'm | 3 |  | high embedded cost of debt, even if that |
| 4 | trying to figure out do you have an issue | 4 |  | causes problems in the financial metrics and |
| 5 | with the other two legs of that stool? | 5 |  | possible problems in attracting capital. |
| 6 | DR. BOOTH: | 6 |  | There are other measures the Board can take |
| 7 | A. No, see - | 7 |  | to solve capital attraction problems. |
| 8 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 8 |  | BRIEN: |
| 9 | Q. Financial integrity | 9 | Q. | So, Dr. Booth, my question was: the capital |
| 10 | attraction standard. | 10 |  | attraction standard, did you accept that as |
| 11 | DR. BOOTH: | 11 |  | one of the three legs of that fair return |
| 12 | A. No, the capital attraction, again it's all a | 12 |  | standard? Is that acceptable? |
| 13 | - the only time you might get qualifications | 13 |  | OOTH: |
| 14 | to that is the equity market, you might give | 14 | A. | Now the answer to that is yes, the firm has |
| 15 | them a fair return in the equity market. | 15 |  | to be able to attract capital. |
| 16 | You might give them say - the Board looks at | 16 |  | BRIEN: |
| 17 | this and said, "well, we 100 percent agree | 17 |  | Okay. And that was my question. |
| 18 | with Dr. Booth. We're going to give | 18 |  | OOTH: |
| 19 | Newfoundland Power 7.7 percent." That | 19 | A. | Sorry, I - but I've - it was in a context of |
| 20 | satisfies the fair return standard in terms | 20 |  | the fair return to the equity - |
| 21 | of Mr. Justice Lamont's definition and then | 21 |  | O'BRIEN: |
| 22 | Newfoundland Power says, "well, our bond | 22 | Q. | And I'm trying to establish, in terms of the |
| 23 | rating's gone down. We can't attract | 23 |  | fair return, if there's a three-legged stool |
| 24 | capital on reasonable terms." That's where | 24 |  | here, if you have an issue with the first |
| 25 | the second part and the third part of the | 25 |  | leg, you've told us that. The other two |



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| 1 | DR. BOOTH: | 1 | my - I think the litigated hearing in 2016 |
| 2 | A. That's correct. So, they have to think are | 2 | was the last time that we set Newfoundland |
| 3 | we going to have a Covid-19 in the next | 3 | Power's allowed ROE at 8.5 percent. I don't |
| 4 | three years. | 4 | think it's legitimate to look at 2021 or |
| 5 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 5 | 2019 because they were settlement boxes. |
| 6 | Q. Right, and we're talking about a short-term | 6 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 7 | look, three-year look. We're not talking | 7 | Q. Okay. |
| 8 | about setting an ROE for 15 years down the | 8 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 9 | road. We're talking about a short-term | 9 | A. Black boxes. |
| 10 | look. So, the fact that markets are | 10 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 11 | increasing is a factor. Would you agree? | 11 | Q. You agree with me that long term Canada bond |
| 12 | DR. BOOTH: | 12 | yields are higher than they were in 2016 and |
| 13 | A. That's correct. | 13 | 2021? That's a fair - |
| 14 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 14 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 15 | Q. Okay. | 15 | A. That's a fair comment. |
| 16 | DR. BOOTH: | 16 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 17 | A. But it was a factor based upon the | 17 | Q. Which doesn't - |
| 18 | settlement agreement that was arrived at in | 18 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 19 | 2021, which I agreed to. It's a - and I - | 19 | A. Doesn't affect my recommendation. |
| 20 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 20 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 21 | Q. Well, you call those black boxes. | 21 | Q. Right, doesn't affect the recommendation. |
| 22 | DR. BOOTH: | 22 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 23 | A. I know, but that's the problem. You can't | 23 | A. No. |
| 24 | have it both ways. | 24 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 25 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 25 | Q. And same thing with A rated utility bonds? |
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| 1 | Q. Let's move away from what you already have | 1 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 2 | indicated is a black box. In other words, | 2 | A. Yeah. They're not up as much as - they're |
| 3 | we're not going to talk about what piece | 3 | about the same, I think, as in 2016. |
| 4 | went in here, what piece came out there. | 4 | Obviously, it depends where in 2016 you |
| 5 | That's the settlement piece. So, but in | 5 | look, whether you look at the time of Mr. |
| 6 | terms of capital markets, capital markets | 6 | Coyne's testimony in 2015 or my testimony in |
| 7 | have had a fundamental shift since 2021, and | 7 | 2016. But I've got a chart with all of this |
| 8 | you agreed with me on that. | 8 | in, so the Board could look at it. |
| 9 | DR. BOOTH: | 9 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 10 | A. That's right, but Mr. O'Brien, you can't | 10 | Q. Yeah, and I've seen the chart. |
| 11 | have it both ways. You can't say, "well, | 11 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 12 | let's look at 2021" and say, "well, the | 12 | A. Okay. |
| 13 | conditions have - interest rates have | 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 14 | increased since then. The firm needs a | 14 | Q. And that's what I interpret from it. It may |
| 15 | higher rate of return. Dr. Booth agreed to | 15 | not be as high as the long-term Canada bond, |
| 16 | this, blah, blah, blah", when in fact that | 16 | but the market is higher. Let's talk just |
| 17 | was a settlement agreement and I didn't use | 17 | briefly about cost of capital as in the |
| 18 | the - when I - I said to - I can't even | 18 | general sense and the components of it, I'll |
| 19 | remember whether it was Mr. Browne or who it | 19 | break it down a little bit later, but |
| 20 | was. I said, "look, I've been using 3.8 | 20 | basically, I think all of the cost of |
| 21 | percent. I'm not going to say let's lower | 21 | capital witnesses break it down into the |
| 22 | NP's allowed ROE because currently interest | 22 | equity thickness and then the ROE. Those |
| 23 | rates are in the toilet and we got these | 23 | are the separate components, but you look at |
| 24 | incredibly low interest rates." I didn't | 24 | them together. Is that fair? |
| 25 | look at 2021. And I've said repeatedly in | 25 | DR. BOOTH: |


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| 1 | A. That's fair enough. The other component is | 1 | Q. | Okay. With respect to cost of capital |
| 2 | interest, but the fact is in Canada, except | 2 |  | itself, Mr. Coyne gave some evidence, and |
| 3 | for the National Energy Board, you don't | 3 |  | I'm wondering if you could confirm this, |
| 4 | take into account the current market cost of | 4 |  | whether or not you agree. Would you agree |
| 5 | debt. | 5 |  | that the cost of capital is just that, a |
| 6 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 6 |  | cost, and it's something you would expect to |
| 7 | Q. Okay. | 7 |  | be passed on to customers? |
| 8 | DR. BOOTH: | 8 |  | OOTH: |
| 9 | A. The National Energy Board went with ATWACC | 9 | A. | Absolutely. It's the cost of the capital |
| 10 | which is what we would do if it was a | 10 |  | that the firm has raised, exactly the same |
| 11 | private company. We would ask what's the | 11 |  | as the rent on the building, as the cost - |
| 12 | current required return on debt, what's the | 12 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 13 | current tax rate, what's the current | 13 | Q. | No different. |
| 14 | required return on equity, which is what | 14 |  | OOTH: |
| 15 | ATWACC is. Everybody's - well, not | 15 | A. | So, if you get into financial trouble, you |
| 16 | everybody, but the LED, the Regie and the | 16 |  | might go to the building operator and say, |
| 17 | AUC rejected ATWACC, but the NEB decided to | 17 |  | "well, look, I'm in serious trouble. Can |
| 18 | go with it. And the reason is, we don't | 18 |  | you lower the rent?" which is in fact what |
| 19 | take the current opportunity cost of debt. | 19 |  | happened during Covid. You might go to the |
| 20 | We treat it as exactly the same as other | 20 |  | equity holders or the bond holder and say, |
| 21 | expenses. We take the deemed - the current | 21 |  | "can you give me a good deal?" But capital |
| 22 | interest rate on embedded debt and it's | 22 |  | markets are not as flexible as somebody |
| 23 | passed off to ratepayers. | 23 |  | you'd rent a building from because they got |
| 24 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 24 |  | way more alternatives. So, it is a cost |
| 25 | Q. And that's not an issue for us before this | 25 |  | that has to be passed on. |
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| 1 | hearing - | 1 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 2 | DR. BOOTH: | 2 |  | Okay. |
| 3 | A. No, that's - | 3 |  | OOTH: |
| 4 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 4 | A. | And my understanding is the Supreme Court |
| 5 | Q. - in particular. Is that correct? | 5 |  | has confirmed that and nobody's ever |
| 6 | DR. BOOTH: | 6 |  | questioned that. |
| 7 | A. It's not an issue, but it's - that's the | 7 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 8 | problem when you start looking at where you | 8 | Q. | This is not a question. So, like to put a |
| 9 | compare it to other utilities. But the | 9 |  | point on it, I guess, while we've been in |
| 10 | current cost - the embedded cost of debt has | 10 |  | this particular room we've been talking |
| 11 | come down by about one percent since 2016. | 11 |  | about other costs that are not technically |
| 12 | So, all those costs that you would expect, | 12 |  | Newfoundland Power's costs, for example, |
| 13 | the interest coverage ratio, for example, to | 13 |  | Muskrat Falls Project costs, and that sort |
| 14 | go up and the financial flexibility of | 14 |  | of thing, coming through rates. Those are |
| 15 | Newfoundland Power to go up. But that's | 15 |  | not Newfoundland Power's particular costs. |
| 16 | just passed off. So, the only thing is the | 16 |  | You'd expect those costs to be passed on to |
| 17 | equity, the profit. I know you object to | 17 |  | customers? |
| 18 | profit, but I mean, most people say profit | 18 |  | OOTH: |
| 19 | or net income. The net income to the | 19 | A. | That's correct. I think the way--if you |
| 20 | shareholder, which is Newfoundland - which | 20 |  | look to utilities is regulations changed |
| 21 | is Fortis, which is composed of the allowed | 21 |  | over the last 30 years. We've got all sorts |
| 22 | ROE times the equity ratio plus the bonus | 22 |  | of deferral accounts for gas utilities, for |
| 23 | for - because they allow range around the | 23 |  | example, where purchase variance accounts |
| 24 | utility cost of capital. | 24 |  | where the cost is basically passed through. |
| 25 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 25 |  | 'BRIEN: |



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| 1 | hear your judgment. They don't want to hear | 1 | of all of those, and I recommended 30 |
| 2 | the numbers. Anyone can come up with the | 2 | percent, which was actually the NEB's |
| 3 | numbers. They want to hear what you think | 3 | recommendation for mainline transmission; 35 |
| 4 | about this, so don't be afraid to express | 4 | percent for local gas LDC's, and I think I |
| 5 | your judgement, and I always remember that | 5 | had 32 percent for electric transmissions, |
| 6 | because, as I said, you'd be surprised to | 6 | and that was a result of a lot of analysis, |
| 7 | know that when I started out doing this I | 7 | and since then risk has not increased except |
| 8 | was hiding behind the numbers, and then over | 8 | for the gas companies. For the electric |
| 9 | time I've been here--now I'm tired of the | 9 | companies my perception is the risk has |
| 10 | numbers because I've been doing this for 38 | 10 | decreased. So, you're absolutely correct. |
| 11 | years, and when I look at that, Mr. O'Brien, | 11 | I used to spend a lot of time doing a more |
| 12 | I say heavens above, 38 years, coming to | 12 | qualitative assessment, but at the end of |
| 13 | these hearing rooms doing exactly the same | 13 | the road there's only two things that we're |
| 14 | thing. Sometimes I wonder, as I said, how | 14 | looking at, short run risk, the ability to |
| 15 | much longer I'm going to do this. | 15 | earn your allowed ROE; long run risk, the |
| 16 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 16 | ability to get your capital back, which is |
| 17 | Q. So, I guess even though you might have been | 17 | the stranded asset risk. |
| 18 | hiding behind numbers, there couldn't have | 18 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 19 | been any number out there that said | 19 | Q. Okay. |
| 20 | Newfoundland Power should have this | 20 | (10:45 a.m.) |
| 21 | particular allowed ROE, or sorry, equity | 21 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 22 | thickness. You must have had some element | 22 | A. And that's significant by the way, Mr. |
| 23 | of judgment applied to your opinion at that | 23 | O'Brien. It was a big deal in Nova Scotia |
| 24 | time. | 24 | Power because they've got their coal plants |
| 25 |  | 25 |  |
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| 1 | DR. BOOTH: | 1 | that have to come out of the rate base by |
| 2 | A. That's partially correct. A lot of this | 2 | 2030. It was a significant risk for Trans |
| 3 | came out of the '90's into the 2000's. In | 3 | Canada Mainline and the Northern Ontario |
| 4 | RH-4, RH-29-4, the National Energy Board had | 4 | line when everyone started basically pumping |
| 5 | to deal with the risk of oil utility, oil | 5 | gas through the United States. So, I'm not |
| 6 | pipelines versus gas pipelines, and it makes | 6 | saying the stranded asset risk is |
| 7 | a clear statement that we have to look at | 7 | immaterial. It's very important for certain |
| 8 | the business risk of those and analyze the | 8 | types of utilities. I don't see it as |
| 9 | difference between a--and there's | 9 | important for Newfoundland Power. |
| 10 | significant differences between a gas | 10 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 11 | pipeline and an oil pipeline, and it set 45 | 11 | Q. Okay. And I'm going to take you through-- |
| 12 | percent for the oil pipelines, 40 percent | 12 | just so you understand, I'm going to take |
| 13 | for the gas pipelines, 35 percent for west | 13 | you through each time you've been here and |
| 14 | coast. So, that was what we were doing in | 14 | how you've assessed that. So, just--and I |
| 15 | the mid ' 90 's, and then along came the | 15 | don't want to cut you off on your responses |
| 16 | Alberta Utilities Commission. They didn't | 16 | at any point, but I just want to let you |
| 17 | have to deal with pipelines. They had a | 17 | know that I do want to take you through |
| 18 | pipeline, an ECHO pipeline. They had to do | 18 | those in terms of your assessment at the |
| 19 | with gas utilities and the electric | 19 | time, okay. |
| 20 | utilities, and gas mainline pipeline NGTL, | 20 | So, at the time when you came here |
| 21 | and electric transmissions. So, they had to | 21 | first of all for Newfoundland Power for the |
| 22 | deal with all of the risks of all of these | 22 | 2010 rate hearing, you expressed that |
| 23 | other utilities, and I participated in that | 23 | opinion that we discussed earlier. You |
| 24 | hearing, and we looked at the business risk | 24 | would have been aware, I'm going to put to |
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| 1 | way along in terms of Newfoundland Power. | 1 | That's contrary to everything that the |
| 2 | You're assessment--your assessment of | 2 | Government of Canada and the provinces are |
| 3 | Newfoundland Power as having an average | 3 | doing to try and get people off oil. So--or |
| 4 | business risk, and having a less than | 4 | do we expect people in St. John's to start |
| 5 | average financial risk, that hasn't changed | 5 | having wood burning fires. I've got a |
| 6 | over time. | 6 | cottage and we actually have a wood burning |
| 7 | DR. BOOTH: | 7 | fire because my heat pump, and I do have my |
| 8 | A. That hasn't changed - | 8 | electric heat pump, it's useless in Canadian |
| 9 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 9 | winters because it gets too damn cold and |
| 10 | Q. Right. | 10 | you have to have a supplementary heat |
| 11 | DR. BOOTH: | 11 | source. |
| 12 | A. - but as I indicated, I've never seen a | 12 | So, I don't think you're going to find |
| 13 | utility in Canada where the regulator | 13 | a lot of people in St. John's suddenly |
| 14 | doesn't protect the utility, which is to say | 14 | burning wood fires. Perhaps propane, |
| 15 | when I look--the first thing I do in any | 15 | perhaps we're going to see some propane |
| 16 | hearing is say, give me the allowed return | 16 | tanks outside of our houses, but that's |
| 17 | versus the actual return going back as long | 17 | fossil fuel. |
| 18 | as you got data so we can actually see what | 18 | So, the long run--I don't know what the |
| 19 | the short-term risk is, and Newfoundland | 19 | next whack-a-mole for utility witnesses is |
| 20 | Power is absolutely no different from any of | 20 | going to be. |
| 21 | the other Canadian utilities. | 21 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 22 | Some of them don't have quite as many | 22 | Q. Well, let me ask you. |
| 23 | deferral accounts. The gas companies, some | 23 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 24 | of them are exposed to seasonal risk in | 24 | A. Perhaps they're going to say--God, I've |
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| 1 | terms of the use of gas, but in a material | 1 | forgotten the--I'm getting old, Mr. O'Brien, |
| 2 | sense the short-term risk is basically the | 2 | my brain sometimes forgets things. |
| 3 | same. It's the long run risk that is a | 3 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 4 | concern, and in this testimony, unlike 2016, | 4 | Q. I apologize, I interrupted you. |
| 5 | the only thing that I see is changing is the | 5 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 6 | long run risk to Newfoundland Power, and in | 6 | A. No, don't apologize on my part. It's for-- |
| 7 | 2016 I highlighted the fact that the | 7 | in gas companies they use hydrogen. Perhaps |
| 8 | company's witnesses in the '90's were saying | 8 | they'll say hydrogen is the next big thing, |
| 9 | alternative fuel was risky. Heating oil was | 9 | and perhaps they'll say, well, the gas |
| 10 | a 40 percent discount to using baseboard | 10 | companies are now pumping hydrogen into gas |
| 11 | heaters, and the company was losing | 11 | pipelines, and perhaps we do have fossil--we |
| 12 | customers, and this was a risk. | 12 | do have fuel competition again; it's going |
| 13 | Now, it didn't affect the ROE or the | 13 | to be hydrogen. Do I think that's going to |
| 14 | ability to earn the ROE, but--and I looked | 14 | happen in next three years? No, but perhaps |
| 15 | at that and said, well, even if electricity | 15 | you'll see a utility witness saying that |
| 16 | prices go up, which I don't think they will | 16 | hydrogen is the next big thing, or perhaps a |
| 17 | for reasons we can talk about to a level of | 17 | stranded distribution, perhaps the price of |
| 18 | 50 percent to 100 percent we were talking | 18 | solar panels is going to drop dramatically, |
| 19 | about at that period, there are no | 19 | which hasn't changed much in the last 10 |
| 20 | alternative fuels left. | 20 | years, but perhaps they're going to become |
| 21 | Does anyone seriously think people are | 21 | incredibly cheaper, and stranded asset risk |
| 22 | going to rip out their baseboards and put in | 22 | is going to increase because everyone is |
| 23 | an oil pump when the price of carbon is | 23 | going to have solar panels on their roof. |
| 24 | going to go from \$80.00 to \$160.00 a tonne? | 24 | So, there are things out there that utility |
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| 1 | hearing in 2012, not 2016, or 2023, the | 1 | significant difference. You didn't come out |
| 2 | Chairman of the company said we are not a | 2 | and say that, did you? |
| 3 | transitional fuel, we're here for the long | 3 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 4 | run. But even then in BC they were talking | 4 | A. I think you're correct there. |
| 5 | about getting gas out of the system. Quebec | 5 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 6 | was talking about getting gas out. | 6 | Q. Okay. |
| 7 | So, when you look at this has anything | 7 | (11:00 a.m.) |
| 8 | changed since 2016? I would say a huge | 8 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 9 | amount has changed since 2016. Not in terms | 9 | A. I mean, it's a question--as I said it's gone |
| 10 | of the short run risk, but in terms of the | 10 | down from negligible to less than |
| 11 | long run risk. I would say that the | 11 | negligible. So, I mean, it's--if anything |
| 12 | stranded asset risk attached to Newfoundland | 12 | it's gone down. I don't think the long run |
| 13 | Power is gone from being negligible to less | 13 | stranded asset risk attached to Newfoundland |
| 14 | than negligible. How is that significant? | 14 | Power is very high. |
| 15 | I can't think of any alternative to | 15 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 16 | electricity in the-over the future test | 16 | Q. And I found it interesting you mentioned |
| 17 | years in Newfoundland. Whereas in 2016 and | 17 | Nova Scotia Power, and you brought that up a |
| 18 | earlier we could think about home heating | 18 | couple of times in terms of some differences |
| 19 | oil, and this is--this is a company that | 19 | in risk. When you gave evidence in terms |
| 20 | doesn't serve industrial users, it serves-- | 20 | of--direct evidence now. I don't think you |
| 21 | it serves residential and commercial with a | 21 | testified at that hearing. I think there |
| 22 | little bit of streetlights. | 22 | was a settlement. |
| 23 | I don't know about streetlights. I | 23 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 24 | don't know how you're going to fuel them | 24 | A. That's correct. |
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| 1 | with gas, or hydrogen, or whatever, but I'm | 1 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 2 | sure an engineer can work that out. | 2 | Q. At that hearing you indicated Nova Scotia |
| 3 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 3 | Power is no more risky than anyone else, and |
| 4 | Q. You didn't indicate in your report there's | 4 | you did not recommend an increased in equity |
| 5 | been a significant change in Newfoundland | 5 | thickness. |
| 6 | Power's business risk in your evidence for | 6 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 7 | this hearing. | 7 | A. I think more accurately, Mr. O'Brien, I said |
| 8 | DR. BOOTH: | 8 | its ability to earn its allowed ROE hasn't |
| 9 | A. I did say that the low run stranded asset | 9 | changed because it still earns its allowed |
| 10 | was - | 10 | ROE, and it's got a little bit more |
| 11 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 11 | variability because of the power cost, and I |
| 12 | Q. You didn't say a significant business risk. | 12 | said what the company is proposing is a |
| 13 | That's not what you said. | 13 | billion dollars worth of assets in coal |
| 14 | DR. BOOTH: | 14 | plants which have to be out of service by |
| 15 | A. I said the stranded asset was gone down. | 15 | 2030. The company wanted to put that into a |
| 16 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 16 | deferral account, and it wanted to recover |
| 17 | Q. You said if anything, risk may have gone | 17 | those costs from rate payers in Halifax |
| 18 | down - | 18 | beyond 2030. So, effectively they're still |
| 19 | DR. BOOTH: | 19 | paying for those coal plants. And in |
| 20 | A. If anything, that's right. | 20 | addition, they'll pay for the cost of |
| 21 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 21 | replacement energy, and I said--and I didn't |
| 22 | Q. - but you did not say there's a significant | 22 | object to that, Mr. O'Brien. |
| 23 | difference, and that's what your opinion has | 23 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 24 | been all along, there has to be a | 24 | Q. Well, there's a settlement to it, yes. |
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| 1 | DR. BOOTH: | 1 |  |  |
| 2 | A. Well, no, I didn't object to it in my | 2 |  | the government in Nova Scotia, and he |
| 3 | testimony. I raised the question to the | 3 |  | certainly would have changed it. It |
| 4 | Board that there's this compact, and I think | 4 |  | violates my understanding of what we've been |
| 5 | I said it specifically; I'm not objecting to | 5 |  | doing in Canada for the last 35 years. |
| 6 | focusing the rate payers in Halifax, which | 6 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 7 | already has much higher electricity costs | 7 |  | I think we can take our break at this point. |
| 8 | than St. John's, to basically pay twice for | 8 |  |  |
| 9 | electricity, because the Board approved | 9 | Q. | Take a break right now. Thank you. |
| 10 | those plants for use, and Nova Scotia had | 10 |  | (BREAK - 11:03 a.m.) |
| 11 | every expectation that they'll continue to | 11 |  | (RESUME - 11:32 a.m.) |
| 12 | be used and useful and get a return on that, | 12 |  |  |
| 13 | and that's all in the business risk | 13 | Q. | Welcome back everyone. No preliminary |
| 14 | testimony, and unlike this hearing, I think | 14 |  | matters? |
| 15 | I'm correct in saying that I started out in | 15 |  | GLYNN: |
| 16 | the Nova Scotia Power hearing with a long | 16 | Q. | No. |
| 17 | discussion on its business risk because that | 17 |  |  |
| 18 | was the elephant in the room. What do you | 18 |  | Okay, well back to Mr. O'Brien. |
| 19 | do with all these coal plants? The | 19 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 20 | Government of Canada and the Province said | 20 | Q. | Thank you, Mr. Chair. I'm just going to |
| 21 | take them out of rate base. Who bears that | 21 |  | lead you off on this last piece, Dr. Booth, |
| 22 | stranded asset risk? And on reference to | 22 |  | just on the equity thickness and I'm just |
| 23 | Stores decision, well, the Supreme Court of | 23 |  | wondering whether you would agree with me |
| 24 | Canada, they said the ownership of the | 24 |  | that when it comes to utilities and credit |
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| 1 | assets belongs to the utility. And I said | 1 |  | rating agencies, the credit rating agencies |
| 2 | it's a good argument, that the risk of those | 2 |  | do look at the stability of equity thickness |
| 3 | plants belongs to the utility owners. | 3 |  | as a credit strength, would you agree with |
| 4 | O'BRIEN: | 4 |  | me on that? |
| 5 | Q. Utility, righ | 5 |  | OOTH: |
| 6 | DR. BOOTH: | 6 | A. | I'd say that the credit rating agency don't |
| 7 | A. - not--because they're no longer used and | 7 |  | like surprises. |
| 8 | useful, but they were put into rate base by | 8 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 9 | the Board, and a regulatory compact in | 9 | Q. | Yeah. |
| 10 | Canada requires, I would say, that you | 10 |  | OOTH: |
| 11 | protect the utility. Now, as you probably | 11 | A. | Which is why I said in the recommendation if |
| 12 | know, after I put my testimony in the | 12 |  | the Board lays down a marker, 40 to 45 |
| 13 | Government of Nova Scotia passed regulations | 13 |  | percent going back to '96, '97, I'd be happy |
| 14 | to basically overruled or limited what the | 14 |  | if the Board does that and then we get some |
| 15 | Board could do, which this is--this is | 15 |  | learance on Muskrat Falls and rate |
| 16 | reminiscent of what happens in the United | 16 |  | mitigation, then the Board can revisit this |
| 17 | States sometimes. The government just | 17 |  | and decide, well is its decision of the |
| 18 | changes the regulations and forces the Board | 18 |  | business risk hasn't changed still valid. |
| 19 | to do some things. And if you remember in | 19 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 20 | the Nova Scotia Power decision, I was the | 20 | Q. | And a significant change by a regulator in |
| 21 | Board witness, and they say specifically a | 21 |  | the allowed equity thickness, would a credit |
| 22 | foundational part of Dr. Booth's testimony | 22 |  | rating agency see that as a minus? |
| 23 | was the regulatory compact, and we're not | 23 |  | OOTH: |
| 24 | sure what his opinion would have--how it | 24 | A. | Depends which way the equity ratio goes. I |
| 25 |  | 25 |  | suspect that the next report on FEI whereas |


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| 1 | equity ratio has gone up from 38.5 to 45 | 1 | different risks built into their profile. |
| 2 | percent, they'll be very happy. Everybody's | 2 | Not every risk profile is exactly the same, |
| 3 | gas has gone up. Gas companies, the equity | 3 | you agree with me on that? And I'll give |
| 4 | ratios seem to have gone up. It depends on | 4 | you where I'm coming from on that in that |
| 5 | the ROE and I agree 100 percent with Mr. | 5 | the Board has to exercise judgment in |
| 6 | Coyne that the ROE times the equity ratio | 6 | setting an allowed ROE based on a particular |
| 7 | gives the amount of net income that the | 7 | set or risk profile for a utility. |
| 8 | owner is getting out of the utility. So if | 8 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 9 | the Board-and I say this explicitly, don't | 9 | A. |


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|  | return on equity, I did want to revert to | 1 | can actually go back and look at the data in |
| 2 | one point we talked earlier, just about | 2 | an undertaking if you feel it's important, |
| 3 | capital markets, and A rated bonds and I | 3 | but 2016, beginning of 2016 looks to have |
| 4 | asked you a question as to whether or not | 4 | been, well it's between 3.5 and 4.5 and now |
| 5 | they had significantly increased since 2016, | 5 | it is, which I said was 4.05, now it's, the |
| 6 | and I believe your answer was that no, they | 6 | A spread or the A yield is closer to 4.6 |
| 7 | hadn't, am I wrong in that? | 7 | percent. |
| 8 | DR. BOOTH: | 8 | R. O'BRIEN: |
| 9 | A. My answer was it depends and going into the | 9 | Q. So the spread may be similar but the yields |
| 10 | hearing whether you look at 2015, the time | 10 | are high. |
| 11 | of Mr. Coyne's evidence, 2016 my one | 11 | BOOTH: |
| 12 | (phonetic) because obviously those yields | 12 | A. That's correct, so the borrowing cost to |
| 13 | change and I was just looking at the graph - | 13 | Newfoundland Power as a private issuer, has |
| 14 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 14 | probably gone up, but as you probably know, |
| 15 | Q. And it might help if I brought up your | 15 | 's been refunding its debt and its |
| 16 | evidence, I think, that might help. | 16 | embedded interest costs have dropped by 1 |
| 17 | DR. BOOTH: | 17 | percent since 2016. |
| 18 | A. Yeah, I think it's actually in the beginning | 18 | O'BRIEN: |
| 19 | of my testimony. | 19 | Q. I think you might be giving me more credit |
| 20 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 20 | than I deserve when you say "as you probably |
| 21 | Q. Yeah, in your testimony, in your direct at | 21 | know". |
| 22 | page 31 I think there's a chart. A \& B, | 22 | . BOOTH: |
| 23 | right, so if we look to -where are we here | 23 | A. Well I was very impressed with Mr. Kelly |
| 24 | 15, 16, 2016. | 24 | eight years ago, Mr. O'Brien, so you got a |
| 25 | DR. BOOTH: | 25 | high standard to maintain. |
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| 1 | A. Well actually you can look at it from the | 1 | R. O'BRIEN: |
| 2 | executive summary where I've got the time in | 2 | Q. Listen, I know my limitations and I do not |
| 3 | my testimony. | 3 | compare myself to Mr. Kelly. |
| 4 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 4 | OFFEY, KC: |
| 5 | Q. But even looking at this yield, this yield, | 5 | Q. At least at that point, Mr. Kelly's career. |
| 6 | I mean, if we look, compare 2016 to where we | 6 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 7 | are now, there's a significant increase in A | 7 | Q. That's right. Okay, let's move to your |
| 8 | and BBB bonds, isn't there? | 8 | proposal on the return on equity and you |
| 9 | DR. BOOTH: | 9 | gave some evidence here today on that and I |
| 10 | A. When I look at the-in the executive summary, | 10 | think I've read through your chart or your |
| 11 | page 2, I've got long-Canada yield, 2.05, | 11 | direct, I want to ask you just in terms of |
| 12 | the A spread 1.94, so A bonds were basically | 12 | generalities in the last few years, would |
| 13 | just over 4 percent. | 13 | you agree with me that return on equities |
| 14 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 14 | for utilities, if regulators are sort of |
| 15 | Q. There is, I think, a fair increas | 15 | allowing higher return on equities in the |
| 16 | DR. BOOTH: | 16 | last few years? |
| 17 | A. Okay, look, I- | 17 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 18 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 18 | A. I would say that they've come up from a low |
| 19 | Q. I just want to clarify because your | 19 | of about 8.3 percent, which I think was |
| 20 | testimony gave me the impression that there | 20 | three, four years ago. So despite my |
| 21 | wasn't. | 21 | recommendations in not changing the allowed |
| 22 | DR. BOOTH: | 22 | ROE, unless it's 3.8 percent, they actually |
| 23 | A. Well, I look mainly at the spread rather | 23 | did lower the allowed ROES because long- |
| 24 | than the actual level of the yields. But if | 24 | Canada bond yields were so low, so in that |
| 25 | we look at the graph on page 31, I mean I | 25 | respect, they accepted my formula they |


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| 1 | shouldn't change it unless the yields went | 1 |  | and they tend to give more than a fair |
| 2 | below 3.8 percent, but when the abandoned | 2 |  | return. |
| 3 | the formula, it went to litigated hearings, | 3 |  | O'BRIEN: |
| 4 | they did lower the allowed ROEs and they | 4 | Q. | So you've come across, clearly you've come |
| 5 | have come up from those lows. | 5 |  | across Concentric and Mr. Coyne over the |
| 6 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 6 |  | years in terms of cost of capital hearings |
| 7 | Q. So they've come up. | 7 |  | and you've come across other experts for |
| 8 | DR. BOOTH: | 8 |  | utilities, you've made a number of comments |
| 9 | A. Yeah, that's correct. Now I wouldn't have | 9 |  | to say that utility experts say this, say |
| 10 | recommended that they come up because I | 10 |  | that, so you're familiar with the players in |
| 11 | wouldn't have recommended they went down in | 11 |  | the game, sort of thing, is that fair? |
| 12 | the first place. | 12 |  | OOTH: |
| 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 13 | A. | I'm familiar with a lot of them. I remember |
| 4 | Q. No, and I'll get to that, just in terms of | 14 |  | when Concentric first came into Alberta, I |
| 15 | what you recommended, but just as a general | 15 |  | think it was 2009 and they provided, I'm not |
| 16 | comment, general commentary and observation | 16 |  | quite sure whether they provided full ROE |
| 17 | you would agree with me? | 17 |  | testimony, but that was when the first time |
| 18 | DR. BOOTH: | 18 |  | I heard of Concentric. |
| 19 | A. I would agree with that. | 19 |  | O'BRIEN: |
| 20 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 20 | Q. | Right, but there's a number of people in the |
| 21 | Q. Okay. So let's have a look at your | 21 |  | area that are giving testimony on cost of |
| 22 | proposal, so your proposal in terms of ROE | 22 |  | capital across the country and you're |
| 23 | is 7.7 on a 40 percent equity. | 23 |  | familiar with a number of them, I take it? |
| 24 | DR. BOOTH: | 24 |  | a.m.) |
| 25 | A. That's what I think satisfied the fair | 25 |  | OOTH: |
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| 1 | return standard and that's what it comes | 1 | A. | I'm familiar mainly with Concentric and the |
| 2 | from looking at comparable risk Canadian | 2 |  | Brattle Group. After that, it tends to be |
| 3 | utilities, I find it very difficult to get | 3 |  | individual people, rather than a consulting |
| 4 | above 7.7 percent for the ROE. | 4 |  | group. I know Sean Cleary, my former PC |
| 5 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 5 |  | student, used to appear before the AUC. I |
| 6 | Q. Okay, and that's the median between 7.28 and | 6 |  | met Randy Woolridge who provided testimony |
| 7 | 8.13 . | 7 |  | before the Nova Scotia Utility Board. I |
| 8 | DR. BOOTH: | 8 |  | remember Mr. Coyne referred to Professor |
| 9 | A. Yeah, that's right, if the Board, I mean and | 9 |  | Vander Weide from Duke University. I've |
| 10 | I would also add when I was asked in | 10 |  | seen his testimony on a number of occasions, |
| 11 | settlement was 8.5 percent reasonable, I | 11 |  | so I'm familiar with some of them. |
| 12 | didn't object to it. So there's different - | 12 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 13 |  | And would you agree with me that your-and |
| 14 | Q. Yeah, and I'm not going to ask you to | 14 |  | this is apropos of your earlier comment that |
| 15 | comment on that just where, I mean those are | 15 |  | I think regulatory boards tend to give |
| 16 | settlement discussions really at this point, | 16 |  | higher than a fair ROE, that was your |
| 17 | but your proposal at this stage. | 17 |  | comment. Would you accept that generally |
| 18 | DR. BOOTH: | 18 |  | speaking you tend to be on the conservative |
| 19 | A. That's right, but there's different | 19 |  | side when it comes to experts for cost of |
| 20 | definitions of fairness. I mean, I think | 20 |  | capital? |
| 21 | something in the low 8 is about the top of, | 21 |  | OOTH: |
| 22 | actual fair return which is supported, I | 22 |  | I would say I tend to be on the academic |
| 23 | hate to say, by the Labrador Link and KKR, | 23 |  | side. |
| 24 | but as I've said for decades, Boards tend to | 24 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 25 | be conservative, they protect the utility | 25 | Q. | And I was just going to ask you about that, |


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| 1 | and do you consider that different than the | 1 | A. | No. My job is to give the Board-and this is |
| 2 | regulatory side? | 2 |  | the requirement of any witness, as I'm sure |
|  | DR. BOOTH: | 3 |  | you're aware, is independent of who hires |
| 4 | A. I would say that's correct. Estimating the | 4 |  | them to be of assistance to the Board and |
| 5 | cost of capital was something I've done | 5 |  | offer an independent view, and I don't think |
| 6 | research on, published papers on. It is an | 6 |  | you'll find anybody that's familiar with |
| 7 | academic topic. The bias involved in | 7 |  | what I've done in regulatory circles who |
| 8 | security analysts, there's thousands of- | 8 |  | will say, well Professor Booth is beholden |
| 9 | perhaps not thousands, hundreds of academic | 9 |  | to who pays his bill, that he's independent |
| 10 | research papers on that topic, and then I | 10 |  | and entirely consistent with academic |
| 11 | come into a regulatory setting and a lot of | 11 |  | literature and academic theory. There's |
| 12 | the witnesses don't know the academic | 12 |  | nothing I say here that I wouldn't say in an |
| 13 | literature. | 13 |  | MBA class and don't say in an MBA class. |
| 14 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 14 | MR. O'BRIEN: |  |
| 15 | Q. So in that context, I guess back to my | 15 | Q. | And the fact that your 7.7 proposal is 160 basis points below the average for an |
| 16 | questions in terms of your being a | 16 |  |  |
| 17 | conservative expert in terms of estimating | 17 |  | investor-owned electric utility in Canada, |
| 18 | ROE, that's not a surprise to you for me to | 18 |  | that makes no difference to your opinion? |
| 19 | ask you that, that you would normally be | 19 | BOOTH: |  |
| 20 | along, either among the lowest or the lowest | 20 | A. | I do look at them and I look at the ones that I participated in. I look at Maritime Electric, for example, they have a higher |
| 21 | in a hearing for a recommendation of a ROE, | 21 |  |  |
| 22 | is that a fair assessment? | 22 |  |  |
| 23 | DR. BOOTH: | 23 |  | ROE than I recommended and I was the Board |
| 24 | A. I think that's a reasonable assessment. I | 24 |  | witness there. And you wonder what goes |
| 25 | noticed in the AUC I wouldn't have been the | 25 |  | into some of these decisions, but Maritime |
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| 1 | lowest. Sean Cleary would have been the | 1 |  | Electric has only got 40 percent common |
| 2 | lowest, he was in the sixes, and there was | 2 |  | equity, not 45 percent. |
| 3 | another witness that would have been at 7.7 | 3 | MR. O'BRIEN: |  |
| 4 | percent who I think was an Intervenor | 4 | Q. | And this is kind of where I'm going when you say you wonder what goes into these |
| 5 | witness as well. It's not at all unusual | 5 |  |  |
| 6 | for Intervenor witnesses to be about 1 | 6 |  | decisions. Do you consider these decisions |
| 7 | percent below where the Board ends up and | 7 |  | when you put together your opinion? Is it |
| 8 | the utility witnesses, $1,1.5$ percent above | 8 |  | made up, does it make up any part of your |
| 9 | where the Board ends up. Now whether they | 9 |  | judgment as to what would be a fair return |
| 10 | actually just saw off the numbers, I don't | 10 |  | on equity, given there are other utilities |
| 11 | know. The OEB did that, by the way, they | 11 |  | out there with higher returns and other |
| 12 | just took the four witnesses, three by the | 12 |  | commissions and regulatory boards ordering |
| 13 | utilities, one by me and they just averaged | 13 |  | higher returns, does that make any sort of |
| 14 | them, which I was really annoyed about, but | 14 |  | impact on your assessment of ROE? |
| 15 | that's how they came up with the entering | 15 | DR. BOOTH: |  |
| 16 | ROE in the OEB hearing back in 2009. | 16 | A. | Well there's two parts to that, Mr. O'Brien. |
| 17 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 17 |  | First of all do I read the decisions I'm |
| 18 | Q. Could you answer for me whether or not-- | 18 |  | involved with? Of course I do. I'm vain, |
| 19 | being an academic, obviously, I think I know | 19 |  | most people are vain. You want to read the |
| 20 | the answer to this, but the fact that your | 20 |  | decision and they say, "Oh, Professor Booth |
| 21 | proposed ROE would be 130 basis points below | 21 |  | did a fabulous job, we love his opinion", so |
| 22 | what the average ROE would be for a utility, | 22 |  | and when they say "Well, we rejected his |
| 23 | would that make a difference to you for your | 23 |  | opinion for doing this", I look and I think |
| 24 | opinion? | 24 |  | what in the heck did they do that? So do I |
| 25 | DR. BOOTH: | 25 |  | read the decisions? Of course I read the |



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| 1 | A. No, no, the US pipeline. | 1 |  | utilities are low, A minus. So they've got |
| 2 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 2 |  | a better than normal bond rating, so and |
| 3 | Q. Enron. | 3 |  | that's mainly because of the 45 percent |
| 4 | DR. BOOTH: | 4 |  | common equity ratio, it's not because of the |
| 5 | A. Enron, after Enron went bankrupt, the bond | 5 |  | ROE. |
| 6 | holders lost a lot of money and Standard and | 6 |  | O'BRIEN: |
| 7 | Poor's was really annoyed with the FERC | 7 | Q. | Well let me follow up on that comment, "I |
| 8 | because they didn't make chances to protect | 8 |  | can't change what's fair', okay, and we've |
| 9 | the bond holders in Enron. Their primary | 9 |  | got, you've indicated that your |
| 10 | concern is getting the money back to the | 10 |  | recommendation is to 7.7, but as I read |
| 11 | bond holders. They are not equity | 11 |  | through your report and I've done it a |
| 12 | investors, they are rating the ability of | 12 |  | number of times, obviously, I came to a |
| 13 | the utility to repay the bonds. And they'll | 13 |  | point where I thought it seems to me you are |
| 14 | look at that and they'll say, oh, less | 14 |  | recommending that actually the 8.5 is fair. |
| 15 | equity, less ROE, less net income, | 15 |  | 3OOTH: |
| 16 | absolutely certainty, earnings before | 16 | A. | I do think the 8.5 is fair. I've agreed to |
| 17 | interest and tax and the coverage ratio | 17 |  | it in settlements, Mr. O'Brien. |
| 18 | would go down from what it was previously. | 18 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 19 | Now offsetting that, it's a horrible thing | 19 | Q. | No, and I'm not asking you that because I |
| 20 | to say but taxes have gone up in | 20 |  | think that's kind of a discussion with the |
| 21 | Newfoundland and it's not the actual ROE, | 21 |  | Consumer Advocate, but your report says |
| 22 | it's the pre-tax ROE that matters. Now that | 22 |  | that, so if we can bring up Dr. Booth's |
| 23 | doesn't help Fortis, they're just going to | 23 |  | report, page 117 , lines 7 to 15 . You say |
| 24 | say we're going to get less money, but the | 24 |  | there, "In my view a fair ROE is 7.7 on 40 |
| 25 | rate that goes into determining the coverage | 25 |  | percent equity ratio or a profit for Fortis |
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| 1 | ratio is not my 7.7 percent, it's 7.7 | 1 |  | investment in Newfoundland Power of 3.08 |
| 2 | percent divided by 695,1 minutes the tax | 2 |  | percent for every dollar. This is lower |
| 3 | rate, and that is still better or very | 3 |  | than that allowed other utilities within |
| 4 | similar to, say, an Alberta utility getting | 4 |  | Fortis, but in my judgment regulators tend |
| 5 | 9 percent on 40 percent common equity ratio | 5 |  | to err on the side of caution in both 2018" |
| 6 | because their tax rates in Alberta are so | 6 |  | and you go through a scenario here where you |
| 7 | low. So as far as the utility-sorry, the | 7 |  | describe the 2018 and 2021 settlements. |
| 8 | bond holders are concerned, we don't ca | 8 |  | Then you say, "Consequently I regard an 8.5 |
| 9 | about the taxes, we get paid before the | 9 |  | percent ROE as fair and reasonable. This is |
| 10 | government because it's a prior charge. | 10 |  | particularly true since the 8.5 percent is |
| 11 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 11 |  | very similar to what emerges from adjusted |
| 12 | Q. It's your position bond holders would not be | 12 |  | NEB ROE formula in my appendix E." Now I've |
| 13 | affected by this type of a regulatory shock, | 13 |  | listened to testimony earlier where you've |
| 14 | I would suggest, of 7.7 and 40 percent? | 14 |  | gone through, you've broken down your ROE |
| 15 | DR. BOOTH: | 15 |  | from your 7.28 to your 8.13 range, you get |
| 16 | A. I think this would be a surprise to the | 16 |  | your 7.7 in the middle, but you also talked |
| 17 | credit rating agencies and I'll freely admit | 17 |  | about floatation and 50 basis points, almost |
| 18 | that. I can't change what I regard as fair | 18 |  | to the extent that you would drop 50 basis |
| 19 | based upon the fact that there may be some | 19 |  | points off of the 7.28 and 50 basis points |
| 20 | reduction in Newfoundland Power's bond | 20 |  | off of the 8.13 , so we're even well down |
| 21 | rating. At the moment, they've got just | 21 |  | below the 7.7 and now you're saying 8.5 is |
| 22 | about the most general bond rating in | 22 |  | far. How do you sort of explain that to the |
| 23 | amongst any Canadian utility, matched only | 23 |  | Board and square that, is it 8.5 that's |
| 24 | by FEI and they're basically Mood's A, to | 24 |  | fair? |
| 25 | middle of the A range; whereas most Canadian | 25 |  | 0 p.m.) |


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| 1 | DR. BOOTH: | 1 |  | one cost of capital hearing in Canada and |
| 2 | A. First of all, the 50 basis points is in my | 2 |  | then basically determine the generic ROE and |
| 3 | recommendation, I regard that as part of the | 3 |  | then in the GRA for each utility determine |
| 4 | issuing costs for a utility, but I flagged | 4 |  | the common equity ratio for specific factors |
| 5 | the Board's attention, I don't know what the | 5 |  | relative to that utility. That's, because |
| 6 | legal requirement is to allow a cost that's | 6 |  | there's so much repetitive evidence on this, |
| 7 | not been incurred, and as I said, the Regie, | 7 |  | but you can't do that because of provincial |
| 8 | they flagged that as well. So we sort of, | 8 |  | regulation and not federal regulation and it |
| 9 | I'd say there seemed to be a consensus | 9 |  | brings up all sorts of legal problems. |
| 10 | amongst witnesses not to argue over the | 10 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 11 | floatation costs in the sense that Mr. Coyne | 11 | Q | It's not really an argument to have, I mean |
| 12 | uses 50 basis points. Before that, Ms. | 12 |  | it's, at this point, if you can't do it, you |
| 13 | McShane and I used to argue about floatation | 13 |  | can't do it. |
| 14 | costs. At one point she used a market book | 14 |  | OOTH: |
| 15 | ratio of 1.15 to adjust her recommendations, | 15 | A. | You can't do it, yeah, it's provincial |
| 16 | but now we've sort of settled on 50 basis | 16 |  | regulation and we get enough provincial |
| 17 | points. I don't bring in any testimony for | 17 |  | versus federal as it is. |
| 18 | that, but I'm just flagging the fact that | 18 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 19 | for the first time I've heard a utility say | 19 | Q. | But getting back to the 8.5 , I'm going to |
| 20 | we never incurred any floatation costs, so | 20 |  | suggest to you and you can agree with me, |
| 21 | legally I don't know whether you can | 21 |  | disagree with me, there's one of two things |
| 22 | actually charge off to ratepayers a cost | 22 |  | going on here, either A, you're using |
| 23 | that the utility hasn't incurred, so I'm | 23 |  | comparable ROEs out there as part of your |
| 24 | just flagging that for the Board's | 24 |  | analysis, or B, you think your 7.7 is too |
| 25 | attention, but my recommendation is 7.7 | 25 |  | low, which is it? |
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| 1 | percent. How do I flag that with the fact | 1 |  | OOTH: |
| 2 | that 8.5 percent, I would say that you do | 2 | A. | Neither of those. |
| 3 | look at other recommendations, allowed ROES, | 3 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 4 | it doesn't change my view. My view is still | 4 | Q. | Okay. |
| 5 | 7.7 percent. Do I think the NEB formulas | 5 |  | OOTH: |
| 6 | give a reasonable rate of return? That was | 6 | A. | My fair return is 7.7 percent, but I've |
| 7 | a formula that was satisfactory for a long | 7 |  | supported the NEB formula for 30 years, and |
| 8 | period of time and if we use my minimum rate | 8 |  | if you adjust for the same thing that |
| 9 | of 3.8 percent, it's giving a rate very | 9 |  | everybody is using an adjustment for credit |
| 10 | similar to what the Board is allowing. So | 10 |  | spreads to correct the weakness of the |
| 11 | I've accepted the NEB formula, I was part of | 11 |  | formula in 2009, you get something very |
| 12 | the hearing in '94, I've accepted that as | 12 |  | similar to the Board's 8.5 percent. And |
| 13 | giving fair and reasonable allowed ROEs, so | 13 |  | I've got a question, I think it was from the |
| 14 | am I going to argue a rate of 8.44 for the | 14 |  | Board, do I think 8.5 percent is fair on 40 |
| 15 | NEB formula versus 8.5? No. That is one | 15 |  | percent or on 45 percent? I regard 8.5 |
| 16 | definition of fair and reasonable which is | 16 |  | percent on 40 percent as being fair. If the |
| 17 | the formula that was standard in Canada for | 17 |  | Board-and then I got a question from the |
| 18 | 15 years. | 18 |  | Board saying well perhaps we increase the |
| 19 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 19 |  | common equity ratio, reduce the ROE, I |
| 20 | Q. So that formula is not used here. | 20 |  | regard that as being fair. As long as you |
| 21 | DR. BOOTH: | 21 |  | look at the common equity ratio and the |
| 22 | A. No, we've got our own formula and before we | 22 |  | allowed ROE because they sort of, they go |
| 23 | answer that, I have said repeatedly for two | 23 |  | hand in hand. |
| 24 | decades why on earth do we have all these | 24 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 25 | cost of capital hearings? We should have | 25 | Q. | Because that's not clear from your comment |


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| 1 | there, that is 8.5 with a 40 percent. | 1 | ROE and the effective ROE of Newfoundland |
| 2 | DR. BOOTH: | 2 | Power being not 8.5 but actually closer to |
| 3 | A. Yeah, well that makes sense, 8.5 on 40 is | 3 | 8.9. Now, this is line 7 to 9 , "My |
| 4 | fair. | 4 | recommendation is that the Board set what it |
| 5 | O'BRIEN: | 5 | regards as a fair and reasonable ROE and any |
| 6 | Q. But is that what your evidence is that 8.5 | 6 | excess earned above that amount be shared |
| 7 | on 40 is fair | 7 | 50/50 with ratepayers." Were you asked to |
| 8 | BOOTH: | 8 | go - |
| 9 | A. 8.5 percent on 40 , I've said repeatedly that | 9 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 10 | I don't think 45 percent is appropriate for | 10 | A. And go on to the next sentence. |
| 11 | Newfoundland Power, that it's excessive | 11 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 12 | compared to Maritime Electric, Fortis | 12 | Q. "Otherwise, it is difficult to understand |
| 13 | Ontario, Fortis, BC Energy, the old West | 13 | what the Board considers to be a fair and |
| 14 | Kootenay Power. So does that clarify it, | 14 | reasonable allowed ROE." Were you asked to |
| 15 | Mr. O'Brien? | 15 | ssess the issue of a shared, of the sharing |
| 16 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 16 | of excess earnings as part of your - |
| 17 | Q. I'm not certain it does, | 17 | BOOTH: |
| 18 | Dr. Booth. | 18 | A. No, I wasn't and that's not what this is |
| 19 | DR. BOOTH: | 19 | about. |
| 20 | A. I must admit, I'm giving the Board some | 20 | O'BRIEN: |
| 21 | options, I'm not dogmatic on this, Mr. | 21 | Q. No, I understand what this is about, I'm |
| 22 | O'Brien, I know that they've rejected my 40 | 22 | just asking, but it says a recommendation |
| 23 | percent common equity ratio repeatedly for | 23 | here, so it actually says "my recommendation |
| 24 | the last, ever since 2009, and I think, as I | 24 | here is a $50 / 50$ earning sharing". |
| 25 | have said in my opening statement, that I'd | 25 | DR. BOOTH: |
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| 1 | at least like the Board to say we go back to | 1 | A. That's correct. |
| 2 | 40 to 45 percent as being reasonable, as | 2 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 3 | they've decided in the past, and I don't | 3 | Q. That's correct, right, that's your |
| 4 | know what goes on in their deliberations, | 4 | recommendation there. And you indicate, I |
| 5 | but whenever they set the ROE, I hope they | 5 | think, and if we could pull up MPCA No. 2, |
| 6 | take into account the common equity ratio | 6 | you were asked whether or not that was-I |
| 7 | and I hope they spell it out in their | 7 | mean, is this a recommendation on your part |
| 8 | decision. | 8 | and I think based on what I believe you're |
| 9 | O'BRIEN: | 9 | going to indicate is that you didn't give |
| 10 | Q. I'm going to jump to another area, Dr. | 10 | evidence on sharing mechanisms, this has to |
| 11 | Booth, and you've raised this a couple of | 11 | do with the earned ROE, is that fair? |
| 12 | times and it's been raised by Mr. Coffey | 12 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 13 | with Concentric, and that's the excessive | 13 | A. That's absolutely correct. It's a question |
| 14 | earnings band, I think, or account that was | 14 | of what does the Board really think is a |
| 15 | discussed, so it's the excessive earnings on | 15 | fair and reasonable allowed ROE. |
| 16 | the rate of return on rate base. In your | 16 | R. O'BRIEN: |
| 17 | evidence and I'm going to ask that we pull | 17 | Q. Okay. |
| 18 | up the direct evidence on page, I think it's | 18 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 19 | page 1, pdf 3, there's a number of key | 19 | A. If it's 8.5 percent and they consistently |
| 20 | points that you outline here. Actually, | 20 | make 40 basis points more, it's not 8.5 |
| 21 | it's two pages in, I think, next one, yeah, | 21 | percent, it's 8.9 percent, and I would like- |
| 22 | it's page 3 of the report. Yeah, here it | 22 | and this comes, I mean Mr. Coyne picked up |
| 23 | is, if we scroll up a bit, Item No. 5 there | 23 | on this, we come back down to comparisons. |
| 24 | and this talks about the commentary you were | 24 | If you consistently allow the utility to |
| 25 | giving yesterday as well about the actual | 25 | earn 40 basis points more, then what you're |


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| 1 | really saying is the allowed ROE, the fair | 1 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 2 | allowed ROE is 8.9 percent and I would like | 2 | Q | So you haven't done any assessment, any |
| 3 | the Board to spell out, in its decision, as | 3 |  | jurisdictional review on earnings sharing |
| 4 | what it regards as a fair allowed ROE. | 4 |  | mechanisms, is that fair? |
| 5 | O'BRIEN: | 5 |  | OTH: |
| 6 | Q. Okay. | 6 |  | That's absolutely fair. As I said there, I |
| 7 | DR. BOOTH: | 7 |  | mean, this is not really-I'm not presenting |
| 8 | A. In my perception it is not 8.5 percent. | 8 |  | arning sharing mechanism and you can strike |
| 9 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 9 |  | that 50/50 if you like. I just want to know |
| 10 | Q. So in this answer to an RFI here, there's a | 10 |  | what the fair and reasonable ROE is. |
| 1 | question here, A, "Is Dr. Booth recommending | 11 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 12 | that the Board place a hard cap on | 12 | Q. | And that's my point, Doctor, you just said |
| 13 | Newfoundland Power's authorized ROE, such | 13 |  | you can strike that 50/50, it's in your |
| 14 | that any earnings above the authorized ROE | 14 |  | report as a recommendation. It's not |
| 15 | should be shared evenly with customers", and | 15 |  | observation, this was a recommendation on a |
| 16 | your answer-and is this your answer, do you | 16 |  | 50/50 earnings sharing mechanism and I'm |
| 17 | adopt this as your answer? | 17 |  | going to suggest to you you weren't asked to |
| 18 | DR. BOOTH: | 18 |  | look at it, you didn't do any jurisdictional |
| 19 | A. Look, nobody interferes with neither | 19 |  | review to assess the appropriateness of a |
| 20 | evidence or my IRIs, except to tell typos. | 20 |  | 50/50 earning sharing mechanism, that's |
| 21 | O'BRIEN: | 21 |  | fair, correct? |
| 22 | Q. Right, okay, so the answer is no, Dr. Boot | 22 |  | OOTH: |
| 23 | had not presented evidence on earnings | 23 |  | That's correct. |
| 24 | sharing mechanisms and that's what I want to | 24 |  | BRIEN: |
| 25 | ask you about, on earnings sharing | 25 | Q. | All right, yet you put it in your report as |
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| 1 | mechanisms, so if we could go back, I want | 1 |  | a recommendation to this Board. |
| 2 | to get a flavour for what sort of analysis | 2 |  | OOTH: |
| 3 | you did on earnings sharing mechanisms for | 3 |  | That's correct, but as I said, there's the |
| 4 | this report. | 4 |  | otherwise after that, that qualifies that |
| 5 | BOOTH: | 5 |  | statement. |
| 6 | A. Well I'll give you a clear answe | 6 |  | BRIEN: |
| 7 | nothing. | 7 |  | So that qualification can't be based on a |
| 8 | O'BRIEN: | 8 |  | review of earning mechanisms because you |
| 9 | Q. Nothing, o | 9 |  | didn't do that. |
| 10 | DR. BOOTH: | 10 |  | OOTH: |
| 11 | A. My concern is not with the earnings sharing | 11 | A. | Well, that's correct, but I mean, if in fact |
| 12 | mechanism, my concern is with the fair and | 12 |  | it's a fair ROE and you got equal |
| 13 | reasonable ROE and what the Board regards as | 13 |  | probability of over or under earning, they |
| 14 | a fair and reasonable ROE. | 14 |  | should be shared - I would judge that a |
| 15 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 15 |  | rational forecast should result in both over |
| 16 | Q. That's my understanding. So why did you | 16 |  | and under earning, in which case you might |
| 17 | recommend a 50/50 sharing of earnings? | 17 |  | as well share those. But you're absolutely |
| 18 | DR. BOOTH: | 18 |  | correct, I have not done any research on |
| 19 | A. Well if the Board generally believes that | 19 |  | earning sharing mechanism, and as I said, |
| 20 | there's uncertainty and you're basically | 20 |  | otherwise, and this is where it comes in, |
| 21 | giving them the opportunity to earn their | 21 |  | it's a question of what is the fair and |
| 22 | fair ROE, then standard economic theory is | 22 |  | reasonable ROE. If a company consistently |
| 23 | that's a rational forecast, there's equal | 23 |  | over earns, as Newfoundland Power does, you |
| 24 | probability of being above or below, in | 24 |  | got to ask what does the Board really think |
| 25 | which case, share it. | 25 |  | is the fair and reasonable ROE when in fact, |


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| 1 | it doesn't make it's fair and reasonable | 1 | response, and you've just presented some of |
| 2 | ROE, it earns in excess of that. | 2 | the commentary I was going to put to you. |
| 3 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 3 | (12:15 p.m.) |
| 4 | Q. So, this Board has already made a | 4 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 5 | determination on an excess earnings account. | 5 | A. So, we agree with each other? |
| 6 | There's one in existence. | 6 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 7 | DR. BOOTH: | 7 | Q. In this RFI response, and this is your RFI |
| 8 | A. Yeah, I know. | 8 | response, is it not? |
| 9 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 9 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 10 | Q. Right. You under - obviously, you know | 10 | A. Yeah. |
| 1 | that. But you haven't done any research and | 11 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 12 | you've made a recommendation here. You | 12 | Q. You have mentioned what you just mentioned |
| 13 | haven't presented any evidence. Do you | 13 | about being contacted by a lawyer and Hydro |
| 14 | agree with me that as an expert before this | 14 | Quebec - "being certified for a class action |
| 15 | Board, you should be presenting evidence in | 15 | against Hydro Quebec for knowingly and |
| 16 | a fair, impartial, unbiased manner? Agree | 16 | recklessly presenting evidence on its costs |
| 17 | with me? | 17 | and expenses resulting in consistent over |
| 18 | DR. BOOTH: | 18 | earning over an eight-year period. Dr. |
| 19 | A. That is impartial and fair. | 19 | Booth wonders whether a similar suit would |
| 20 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 20 | be certified in Newfoundland and Labrador |
| 21 | Q. But you haven't done any research on this. | 21 | given Newfoundland Power's 25-year history |
| 22 | You haven't presented any evidence and now | 22 | of over earning." Do you have any evidence |
| 23 | you're making a recommendation. | 23 | to suggest Newfoundland Power knowingly and |
| 24 | DR. BOOTH: | 24 | recklessly presents its costs and expenses |
| 25 | A. I'm making a recommendation of what the | 25 | to this Board? |
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| 1 | Board thinks is a fair and reasonable ROE, | 1 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 2 | and I would tell you, Mr. O'Brien, I was | 2 | A. No. |
| 3 | contacted by a litigation expert in Quebec. | 3 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 4 | They got a class action suit against Hydro | 4 | Q. Not a shred, do you? |
| 5 | Quebec. Why have they got a class action | 5 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 6 | suit in Hydro Quebec? It's because they | 6 | A. No, but all I do know is it consistently |
| 7 | consistently over earn their allowed ROE and | 7 | over earned and I just say I'm wondering. |
| 8 | the claim - yeah, but they're certified, but | 8 | I'm not saying that I know. |
| 9 | the claim is that Hydro Quebec basically | 9 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 10 | manipulates its forecast to consistently | 10 | Q. Dr. Booth, this is not a passing comment. |
| 11 | over earn. I've told them I want nothing to | 11 | This is not a benign comment here. |
| 12 | do with it, but they wanted to hire me as an | 12 | Knowingly and recklessly, the implication is |
| 13 | expert witness. But it does raise the base | 13 | Newfoundland Power is doing the same. |
| 14 | - and this was only - this was after I filed | 14 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 15 | my testimony. But it raises a fundamental | 15 | A. That is not the implication. The |
| 16 | point which I'm addressing here is what is a | 16 | implication is that Newfoundland Power is |
| 17 | fair and reasonable ROE. You're right, I | 17 | consistently over earning its allowed ROE. |
| 18 | put in 50/50. Perhaps I shouldn't have done | 18 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 19 | that. But you got to read the otherwise. | 19 | Q. You could have easily said that without |
| 20 | Otherwise what is the fair and reasonable | 20 | mentioning knowingly and recklessly |
| 21 | ROE if NP consistently over earns? | 21 | presenting evidence of cost in that manner. |
| 22 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 22 | You could have easily said they consistently |
| 23 | Q. Dr. Booth, I'm going to be honest to you, I | 23 | earn their ROE and left it at that, but you |
| 24 | was going to come back to this at the end of | 24 | chose not to. |
| 25 | my questioning, this particular RFI | 25 | DR. BOOTH: |


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| 1 | A. No, they consistently over earn - | 1 | intending to be an impartial witness before |
| 2 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 2 | this tribunal. Is that fair? |
| 3 | Q. Yeah, but you chose - | 3 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 4 | DR. BOOTH: | 4 | A. That's correct. |
| 5 | A. - their allowed ROE. | 5 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 6 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 6 | Q. I'm going to suggest to you that's an |
| 7 | Q. You could have left it at that, but you | 7 | inappropriate comment. Without any evidence |
| 8 | chose not to. | 8 | or any shred of evidence, that's an |
| 9 | DR. BOOTH: | 9 | inappropriate comment. |
| 10 | A. No. | 10 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 11 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 11 | A. Well, you might - look, that might be your |
| 12 | Q. You suggested they could be certified on the | 12 | judgment. I'm just - I'm not saying that |
| 13 | same basis that Hydro Quebec was certified, | 13 | they've done anything. I'm just wondering |
| 14 | and you have absolutely no shred of evidence | 14 | if in fact Quebec, they're certifying a |
| 15 | to say Newfoundland Power is engaging in | 15 | class action based upon eight years, what |
| 16 | that kind of conduct. Is that fair? | 16 | would happen when they look at Newfoundland |
| 17 | DR. BOOTH: | 17 | Power over 30 years. |
| 18 | A. I have not looked into the mechanism by | 18 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 19 | which Newfoundland Power has consistently | 19 | Q. So, you're going to stick to your guns on |
| 20 | over earned its allowed ROE. | 20 | that? |
| 21 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 21 | BOOTH: |
| 22 | Q. So, they could be doing that? Is that what | 22 | A. Well, no, I'm just saying it's a fact that |
| 23 | you're saying? | 23 | Newfoundland Power has over earned |
| 24 | DR. BOOTH: | 24 | consistently for 30 years, and generally, |
| 25 | A. I don't know. I'm wondering. I don't know. | 25 | that's about 30 basis points. I'd like the |
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| 1 | I'm wondering, Mr. O'Brien. I'm not saying | 1 | Board to state what it thinks is the fair |
| 2 | they're doing it. I'm just saying I'm | 2 | and reasonable ROE, whether it's 8.5 plus 30 |
| 3 | wondering how is it that year after year | 3 | or 8.5 plus 40 , but the fact is Newfoundland |
| 4 | Newfoundland Power over earns its allowed | 4 | Power has consistently over earned. And as |
| 5 | ROE, and I'm - and I mean, the Board allows | 5 | I've said repeatedly, that's not just |
| 6 | the 40 basis points around the utility cost | 6 | Newfoundland Power. That's right the way |
| 7 | of capital. So, and I have to go back to | 7 | across Canada, and I don't know what's going |
| 8 | Hydro Quebec and work out what they allow, | 8 | on in Quebec. I was contacted by the lawyer |
| 9 | but I'm just pointing out that this question | 9 | and I said no, I'm not going to do that. |
| 10 | of over earning has resulted in a class | 10 | But the fact is there is a lawsuit in Quebec |
| 11 | action suit in Quebec, and that's based upon | 11 | about over earning. The lawyers have been |
| 12 | eight years. | 12 | certified as knowingly and recklessly. I |
| 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 13 | haven't said it's knowingly and recklessly. |
| 14 | Q. So, that must be happening here? | 14 | I'm just - |
| 15 | DR. BOOTH: | 15 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 16 | A. Here, we're concerned with 30. | 16 | Q. You wondered it. |
| 17 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 17 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 18 | Q. Is that - it must be happening here? | 18 | A. Well, that's why it's in brackets, but it's |
| 19 | DR. BOOTH: | 19 | not what I've said. That's what the lawsuit |
| 20 | A. Well, I don't know. If there's any lawyers | 20 | says, and it's been certified in Quebec. |
| 21 | in the room, they might look at this and | 21 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 22 | say, "well, if they can get certified in | 22 | Q. Doctor, I'm going to take you through some |
| 23 | Quebec - | 23 | further testimony on the models that you use |
| 24 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 24 | and that sort of thing, and you've testified |
| 25 | Q. This is your response, Doctor, and you're | 25 | already here in your direct that you use a |


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| 1 | fair bit of judgment in certain areas. You | 1 | its share and there's absolutely no question |
| 2 | rely on data, but you also impose your own | 2 | that its fair rate of return is less than |
| 3 | judgment in - | 3 | 8.5 percent, in which case - and I can't see |
| 4 | DR. BOOTH: | 4 | how it's higher than my recommendation. So, |
| 5 | A. I would hope so. | 5 | I don't think my recommendation is biased. |
| 6 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 6 | I don't think I have a dirty window. And by |
| 7 | Q. Right, you agree with me on that? | 7 | the way, Mr. O'Brien, the phrase "dirty |
| 8 | DR. BOOTH: | 8 | window", I've been using it for the last 35 |
| 9 | A. Yeah, absolutely | 9 | years in Canada, increasingly so because we |
| 10 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 10 | need to look at the operating company. We |
| 11 | Q. All right. So, how is it that in imposing | 11 | can't see the operating company. It is a |
| 12 | that judgment, and I'm going to use a phrase | 12 | dirty window, trying to extract from the |
| 13 | from your own report. You talk about the | 13 | holding company what's going on in the |
| 14 | use of US utility data as looking through a | 14 | operating company. And I've talked about |
| 15 | dirty window, I think is what you use, | 15 | regulators about this issue for a long time. |
| 16 | because it gives biased results, biased high | 16 | We lost Maritime Electric. We could have |
| 17 | results, and I'm going to use that phrase of | 17 | looked at Maritime Electric and we could |
| 18 | dirty window and I want to understand | 18 | look at their stock price, their beta and we |
| 19 | whether or not - how is it you, when | 19 | could look at everything and there was no |
| 20 | exercising your judgment, make sure you do | 20 | dirty window. Now, to look at Maritime |
| 21 | so without looking through your own dirty | 21 | Electric, we have to go through Fortis and |
| 22 | window to see if there's no bias on your | 22 | we have to pick samples. It's a dirty |
| 23 | behalf when you're exercising that judgment? | 23 | window that we're trying to look through to |
| 24 | What do you do? | 24 | find out what's going out with a regulated |
| 25 | DR. BOOTH: | 25 | utility and all we've got is these utility |
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| 1 | A. I think you misunderstand the dirty window. | 1 | holding companies. Now, that's not a bias. |
| 2 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 2 | It's a fact is we have got a dirty window |
| 3 | Q. Well, I'm using it in a different way. | 3 | and I don't think that US electric holding |
| 4 | DR. BOOTH: | 4 | companies are a good proxy for Newfoundland |
| 5 | A. Exactly. | 5 | Power, as I made that clear. |
| 6 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 6 | BRIEN: |
| 7 | Q. But it's bias. | 7 | You've made that clear. |
| 8 | DR. BOOTH: | 8 | OOTH: |
| 9 | A. Very much in a different way. | 9 | Yeah, they're holding companies. They're |
| 10 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 10 | not operating companies. They're riskier |
| 11 | Q. It's a bias issue that you raise in here, | 11 | than operating companies is well accepted. |
| 12 | the US bias - US results are biased high. | 12 | They've got generation. They've got |
| 13 | That's the way you describe it. So, I'm | 13 | industrial - they've got so many things that |
| 14 | asking how you get rid of your own bias, if | 14 | make them non-comparable, as this Board has |
| 15 | you have any, any inherent biases? | 15 | accepted. Looking through that dirty window |
| 16 | DR. BOOTH: | 16 | is incredibly difficult. We have to make |
| 17 | A. I don't think I have any inherent bias. I'm | 17 | adjustments. I would love us to have more |
| 18 | saying exactly the same thing for the last | 18 | pure operating companies trading. The only |
| 19 | 35 years and it's based upon standard | 19 | one we've got is Hydro One and a beta for |
| 20 | economic and financial theory and basically | 20 | Hydro One is .3 to .38 , which is way lower, |
| 21 | looking at the data. So, I don't - look, I | 21 | and that's a pure T\&D utility, and it's |
| 22 | would say that the AUC, some of the | 22 | traded and we've got the betas. We've got |
| 23 | witnesses were much lower than I recommend. | 23 | the information for Hydro One. I would like |
| 24 | So, I don't think what I'm recommending is | 24 | nothing better to go back to 20 years and |
| 25 | biased low, and we can talk about KKR buying | 25 | have Consumers Gas traded, to have Union Gas |


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| 1 | traded, to have Maritime Electric traded, to | 1 | But the fact that they earn their allowed |
| 2 | have Maritime T\&T still around. We can't do | 2 | ROE should be used by the Board to assess |
| 3 | that. They don't exist anymore. We're | 3 | how good a job they're doing in transferring |
| 4 | looking at through dirty windows to try and | 4 | the risk from the utility to the ratepayers, |
| 5 | get what's going on for these utilities. | 5 | which is what all these deferral accounts |
| 6 | That means we have to exercise judgment | 6 | do. And that's part of the regulatory |
| 7 | because there is no data, except for Hydro | 7 | protection and the regulatory compact in |
| 8 | One, on a Canadian operating T\&D utility, | 8 | Canada. |
| 9 | and unless this Board decides we're just | 9 | O'BRIEN: |
| 10 | going to use Hydro One, which is not in | 10 | Q. So, it's not the fact that they've earned it |
| 11 | Newfoundland, it's in Ontario, that's all | 11 | that should set what the ROE is? |
| 12 | we've got. Everything else involves looking | 12 | BOOTH: |
| 13 | through a dirty window. | 13 | A. No, I think it should take into account the |
| 14 | O'BRIEN: | 14 | fact that we - look, as I said, when I first |
| 15 | Q. Doctor, in terms of the earned ROE, | 15 | testified I used to see the company |
| 16 | Newfoundland Power having earned it for the | 16 | witnesses coming in talking about business |
| 17 | last number of decades, is that part of the | 17 | risk, financial risk, regulatory risk. |
| 18 | fair return standard? Is that one of the | 18 | Thers is no regulatory risk. It's |
| 19 | legs of the fair return standard; for the | 19 | regulatory protection in Canada. |
| 20 | regulator to look back and decide "well, | 20 | O'BRIEN: |
| 21 | you've earned your ROE, so we're not going | 21 | Q. And you agree with me that determination of |
| 22 | to raise it"? Is that the approach that has | 22 | what an ROE is, this is a forward-looking |
| 23 | to happen here? Is that what you're | 23 | determination? It's not looking back at the |
| 24 | suggesting? | 24 | last 25 years to say you've earned your ROE, |
| 25 | DR. BOOTH: | 25 | so we're going to knock you down one. |
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| 1 | A. I'm not suggesting that at all. | 1 | R. BOOTH: |
| 2 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 2 | A. No, I don't recommend that. |
| 3 | Q. Okay. | 3 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 4 | DR. BOOTH: | 4 | Q. No. |
| 5 | A. The fair return standard basically - look, | 5 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 6 | you got to remember where all of this comes | 6 | A. I say that the Board should look at the past |
| 7 | from. It comes from the fact that utilities | 7 | experience and take that into account in |
| 8 | are regulated monopolists and without | 8 | assessing its business risk, as in fact |
| 9 | regulation, they'd charge unfair prices. | 9 | Moody's recommends. |
| 10 | So, the key is the prices. There's nothing | 10 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 11 | in regulation to say, "well, give them a | 11 | Q. And let me move just to your models that |
| 12 | deferral account for their pension benefits. | 12 | you've used with respect to the ROE and how |
| 13 | Give them a deferral account for all these | 13 | you - and you've taken the Board through a |
| 14 | other things." That's not in the fair | 14 | fair bit in your direct on that and I've |
| 15 | return standard. That's the way we | 15 | listened to your description of how you use |
| 16 | implement the fair return standard. But | 16 | models. I want to ask you in general |
| 17 | what we - but technically, there should be | 17 | whether you agree with me when it comes to |
| 18 | losses and gains. All we need to do is | 18 | the use of models, in order to establish a |
| 19 | regulate their prices and then like a | 19 | fair - what a fair ROE might be. You've |
| 20 | regular company, if there's a shock, they | 20 | mentioned over time you've gone back and |
| 21 | get losses and they lose money. And if it's | 21 | forth with some models. You had some DCF |
| 22 | a positive shock, they make money. There's | 22 | models you used earlier in your career and |
| 23 | nothing in regulation that says that we | 23 | you've changed somewhat. But would you |
| 24 | should basically regulate them so carefully | 24 | agree with me there's no single widely |
| 25 | that they exactly earn their allowed ROE. | 25 | accepted best financial model to use to set |



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| 1 | DCF fell out of fashion when inflation | 1 | A. | It's because we're all trained to think in a certain way, and it's our professional |
| 2 | dropped and all of a sudden growth rates | 2 |  |  |
| 3 | became a lot more difficult to focus. | 3 |  | training that takes us down a silo, as it |
| 4 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 4 |  | were. So, I don't - and I don't think |
| 5 | Q. Yes, and I'm not - I'm not arguing economic | 5 |  | that's that revolutionary, but I mean, |
| 6 | theory with you and whether the models | 6 |  | finance academics, estimating the cost of |
| 7 | themselves are supposed to bring out a | 7 |  | capital is not the most difficult problem in |
| 8 | certain result, but the fact of the matter | 8 |  | finance. |
| 9 | is there are limitations with each one of | 9 |  | BRIEN: |
| 10 | them, depending on certain factors, data, | 10 |  | No. |
| 11 | that sort of thing? You'd agree with me? | 11 |  | OOTH: |
| 12 | DR. BOOTH: | 12 | A. | And I said that before the CRTC when they |
| 13 | A. I would agree with that. | 13 |  | were saying how difficult it was. I said |
| 14 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 14 |  | it's not difficult. This is something we |
| 15 | Q. Yeah, okay. | 15 |  | give our undergraduates. But it becomes |
| 16 | DR. BOOTH: | 16 |  | difficult when you're in a litigated hearing |
| 17 | A. And that's in my testimon | 17 |  | and you end up with nuances in terms of the |
| 18 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 18 |  | data and the estimation processes. |
| 19 | Q. And depending on the approach used, I mean, | 19 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 20 | this whole cost of capital assessment, as | 20 |  | And that's where judgment comes in? |
| 21 | Ms. Greene has indicated, there can be more | 21 |  | BOOTH: |
| 22 | of an art to it than a science. | 22 | A. | That's where judgment comes in, but |
| 23 | DR. BOOTH: | 23 |  | honestly, what I do, I don't think there's a |
| 24 | A. Non-finance people say that. So, I mean - | 24 |  | lot of judgment in it, and my estimates - |
| 25 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 25 |  | the judgment is really on the long Canada |
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| 1 | Q. I'm a non-finance person. | 1 |  | rate. |
| 2 | DR. BOOTH: | 2 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 3 | A. Yeah. Well, I know, you're a lawyer. I | 3 |  | Well - |
| 4 | hate lawyers. | 4 |  | OOTH: |
| 5 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 5 |  | And the market risk premium and betas, I use |
| 6 | Q. I'm sure you hate me more today than | 6 |  | public market betas and public market data |
| 7 | yesterday. | 7 |  | to backup my judgment in those areas and I |
| 8 | DR. BOOTH: | 8 |  | do not deviate from consensus in those |
| 9 | A. And I say that because I was taught a long | 9 |  | areas. The long Canada rate, I do deviate |
| 10 | time ago to read paragraphs and I know | 10 |  | because - and I've deviated consistently |
| 11 | there's a lot of lawyers in the room and a | 11 |  | because I think I understand a little bit |
| 12 | lawyer explained to me, we don't read | 12 |  | more about the global capital markets and |
| 13 | paragraphs, we read words, and how you | 13 |  | the intervention of the central banks and |
| 14 | interpret that word - look, and I've been in | 14 |  | sometimes I listen to some of the witnesses, |
| 15 | tax cases where it hinges on the | 15 |  | particularly the United States witnesses. |
| 16 | interpretation of the word. I read the | 16 |  | They generally, in the US, they don't have a |
| 17 | paragraph and I say, "my God, it's obvious" | 17 |  | big section on financial market conditions |
| 18 | and then the lawyer says, "no, it's that | 18 |  | and the economy. They come in and they - |
| 19 | word". So, lawyers are not like other | 19 |  | and in fact, I was told - not told, but said |
| 20 | people. I'll say professors of finance are | 20 |  | "why do you have all of this economic stuff |
| 21 | not - professors of finance are not like | 21 |  | in here? We just want to know what your |
| 22 | other people. | 22 |  | estimates are." And that was before the |
| 23 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 23 |  | Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers |
| 24 | Q. There's one on the Board. | 24 |  | when I first put my testimony. I said, "we |
| 25 | DR. BOOTH: | 25 |  | need it in Canada. It's a legal requirement |


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| 1 | to look at conditions in the money market." | 1 | exercise judgment today? Is that what |
| 2 | So, you can't - and the ROE comes out of | 2 | you're saying? |
| 3 | those conditions in the money market. But | 3 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 4 | my understanding is a lot of people don't do | 4 | A. Mr. O'Brien, I would never say I don't |
| 5 | that. And yet, to use the CAPM, you have to | 5 | exercise judgment. |
| 6 | have the appropriate risk-free rate. | 6 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 7 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 7 | Q. Okay. Well, that's what I'm trying to get |
| 8 | Q. So, Doctor, I guess my question was more of | 8 | at. |
| 9 | a general question that there are areas | 9 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 10 | where you have to exercise judgment in | 10 | A. It's the job, my job to advise the Board. |
| 11 | giving a cost of capital opinion, in | 11 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 12 | interpreting, in what data to put in there, | 12 | Q. That's what I thought. |
| 13 | and that sort of thing, and this is where, I | 13 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 14 | think, myself and Ms. Greene had put kind of | 14 | A. And that's judgment. |
| 15 | questions to the cost of capital experts | 15 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 16 | that it may be more of an art than a | 16 | Q. I didn't think we'd be at odds on this |
| 17 | science, and that's what I'm wondering. Do | 17 | point. |
| 18 | you agree with that? | 18 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 19 | DR. BOOTH: | 19 | A. I exercise judgment, but the biggest area of |
| 20 | A. No. | 20 | judgment at the moment, particularly in the |
| 21 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 21 | risk premium, is in the long Canada rate. |
| 22 | Q. In that context. You don't? | 22 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 23 | DR. BOOTH: | 23 | Q. Okay. |
| 24 | A. No, not in terms of the market risk premium, | 24 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 25 | not in terms of betas. | 25 | A. Not in the betas and not in the market risk |
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| 1 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 1 | premium. |
| 2 | Q. Okay. | 2 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 3 | DR. BOOTH: | 3 | Q. Okay. Well, let's talk about that, the long |
| 4 | A. Not at the current point in time. If you | 4 | Canada rate. So, that biggest area of |
| 5 | went back to 2000, we were getting negative | 5 | judgment. So, we're talking - and you |
| 6 | betas and I'd say yes. But at the current | 6 | walked us through here today the components |
| 7 | point in time, I don't see there's | 7 | of that CAPM model with risk-free rate. |
| 8 | significant difference between me and most | 8 | That's the long-term Canada bond. And then |
| 9 | of the independent people that provide | 9 | you got your risk premium. So, you got your |
| 10 | betas. The area where there's more judgment | 10 | market risk and then you got your beta. So, |
| 11 | is in the long Canada rate. Do we use the | 11 | I mean, those are your components to that |
| 12 | actual rate in the capital market and ignore | 12 | model. Is that fair? |
| 13 | the fact that the Bank of Canada is holding | 13 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 14 | 300 billion dollars worth of Government of | 14 | A. Yeah, yeah. |
| 15 | Canada debt. | 15 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 16 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 16 | Q. Okay. So, in your risk-free rate, you used |
| 17 | Q. So, Doctor, when you indicated earlier | 17 | a long-term Canada bond. You've used a 3.8 |
| 18 | you've reviewed the testimony from 2016, and | 18 | kind of holding figure, trigger value I |
| 19 | in 2016, Mr. Kelly asked you a number of | 19 | think is what you called it, right? |
| 20 | questions concerning judgment where you had | 20 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 21 | indicated, for example, the market risk | 21 | A. Yeah, I've used it as trigger. |
| 22 | premium, there's an element of judgment that | 22 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 23 | you exercise there. The beta estimates, | 23 | Q. Yeah, I think that's fair. You called it a |
| 24 | there's an element of judgment that you | 24 | trigger value. And that's an area where |
| 25 | exercise there. Are you saying you don't | 25 | you've exercised judgment with that model. |



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|  | up that the prices go down and the yields go | 1 |  | You didn't use 3.8. |
| 2 | up. So, it's not an accident that our | 2 |  | TH: |
| 3 | yields drop below those of the United | 3 |  | No, that's exactly the same. What happened, |
| 4 | States. When the Conservative government | 4 |  | it was in - we had preferred yields and we |
| 5 | moved the - well, actually the Liberal | 5 |  | had the time series of preferred yields put |
| 6 | government balanced the budget, we moved | 6 |  | out by the Toronto Stock Exchange. So, we |
| 7 | into surplus. This is why long Canada bonds | 7 |  | had good data or preferred shares. We don't |
| 8 | went down and as a result, the - we had high | 8 |  | no longer have that. And I looked at - |
| 9 | rates on long Canada bonds. Now, we've got | 9 |  | preferred share, it's a question of what is |
| 10 | a government that's increasing the supply of | 10 |  | a made-in-Canada rate. What is it that |
| 11 | long Canada bonds again and if the Federal | 11 |  | people trade off to buy equities? And you - |
| 12 | government persists in 50-billion-dollar | 12 |  | at that time, the US was flooding the market |
| 13 | deficits, that's 50 billion dollars of | 13 |  | with bonds and they were being bought by the |
| 14 | Government bonds that are added to the | 14 |  | central bank and we were being whip sored. |
| 15 | Canada bond market and if the government - | 15 |  | I mean, we're not perfectly integrated with |
| 16 | and if central bank then basically sells 300 | 16 |  | the United States. The United States is the |
| 17 | billion dollars, you wonder where are | 17 |  | elephant in the room in all this, in the |
| 18 | interest rates going to go. So, 3.8 percent | 18 |  | sense that we get buffeted by what's going |
| 19 | is my minimum bound. I would expect, | 19 |  | on in the United States. So, that's |
| 20 | depending upon the actions of the government | 20 |  | obvious. And it impacted the bond market |
| 21 | and the central bank, to see those yields go | 21 |  | because the bond market is integrated |
| 22 | up significantly above 3.8 percent. | 22 |  | globally. So, when the ECB and the Bank of |
| 23 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 23 |  | England and the US Central Bank started |
| 24 | Q. So, Doctor, the 3.8 percent, your minimum | 24 |  | buying bonds, absolutely no question, it |
| 25 | bound, that's a figure you exercise your | 25 |  | impacted on Canada, and in fact, at one |
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| 1 | judgment and chose that particular figure. | 1 |  | point, the Bank of Canada pointed out the |
| 2 | That's fair? | 2 |  | Government bond market was 60 percent owned |
| 3 | DR. BOOTH: | 3 |  | by foreigners because the money - the demand |
| 4 | A. That's fair | 4 |  | was coming into Canada. The preferred share |
| 5 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 5 |  | market wasn't buffeted by foreign capital |
| 6 | Q. Okay. A | 6 |  | coming into Canada. Preferred share market |
| 7 | DR. BOOTH: | 7 |  | is an almost entirely Canadian market |
| 8 | A. And it's been accepted by this Board and the | 8 |  | because - I don't know whether you're a |
| 9 | BCUC and other boards. | 9 |  | private investor, but we get the dividend |
| 10 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 10 |  | tax credit for buying dividend paying |
| 11 | Q. And you've used different - you've used four | 11 |  | stocks, and the Americans don't. The Brits |
| 12 | before in another board. I think you used | 12 |  | don't. The Europeans don't. It's a |
| 13 | this trigger value. I'm going to suggest | 13 |  | Canadian market. So, I was trying to look |
| 14 | you used something - a different approach | 14 |  | at how to gauge this buffeting that was |
| 15 | back early on in 2011-2012, when this first | 15 |  | going on in the bond market and I said, ah- |
| 16 | initially became an issue for you, and in | 16 |  | ah, we have the preferred share market |
| 17 | the 2013 hearing here, you cited the bond, | 17 |  | that's not being buffeted and I tracked the |
| 18 | the two - I think it was 2.81, 2.9, | 18 |  | spread between preferred shares and the A |
| 19 | something in that range, and you added 130 | 19 |  | bond yield because preferred shares are |
| 20 | basis points or operation twist I think is | 20 |  | generally regarded as not quite junk bond, |
| 21 | what you called it. So, you used a | 21 |  | but they're lower rated debt in terms of |
| 22 | different approach at that time. | 22 |  | their risk, and the spread had increased and |
| 23 | DR. BOOTH: | 23 |  | I used that, as you mentioned, to come up |
| 24 | A. No, that's - no, that's exactly the same. | 24 |  | with an estimate of the 3.8 percent. And |
| 25 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 25 |  | I've stuck with that mainly because I can't |



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| 1 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 1 | A. | I think the first time Fernandez came out, |
| 2 | Q. When you were here before the Board last in | 2 |  | it was - I was - gave testimony before the |
| 3 | 2016, Mr. Kelly did ask you do you exercise | 3 |  | Regie in Montreal and I actually said, |
| 4 | any judgment in coming to your figure, as to | 4 |  | "here's my market risk premium. Here's an |
| 5 | what the appropriate figure would be, and | 5 |  | adjustment for other professional advice" |
| 6 | you indicated to him that you do. I'm | 6 |  | and I think I said I can't ignore the fact |
| 7 | wondering sort of can you tell the Board | 7 |  | that 1,000 - whatever the number was of |
| 8 | what element of personal judgment do you | 8 |  | people came in and said the market risk |
| 9 | apply to that data to come up with your | 9 |  | premium. Other professionals think it's |
| 10 | figure? | 10 |  | this. So, that's probably a more current |
| 1 | DR. BOOTH: | 11 |  | forward-looking estimate of what the market |
| 12 | A. I think in 2016, there wasn't this survey | 12 |  | risk premium is, rather than just looking |
| 13 | that indicated the three sources of | 13 |  | straight at the historic data. |
| 14 | independent advice on the market risk | 14 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 15 | premium. I certainly didn't use Damodaran, | 15 | Q. | Is it fair to say that ultimately in the |
| 16 | his independent estimates. I certainly did | 16 |  | grand scheme of things in your report that |
| 17 | use Fernandez, which has changed. I can't | 17 |  | that change in the Fernandez report probably |
| 18 | remember whether I used Kroll. I'd have to | 18 |  | had a fair impact on you jumping from 7.5 to |
| 19 | go back and see if I used Kroll. But you | 19 |  | 7.7? |
| 20 | asked me what do I do when I read a | 20 |  | OOTH: |
| 21 | decision, and obviously I look - as I said, | 21 | A. | I think the 20 basis points has gone up |
| 22 | I'm vain. I think everyone's vain. You | 22 |  | because of my increase in the market risk |
| 23 | like to see whether they like what you did, | 23 |  | premium. |
| 24 | and what they didn't like, you say, "well, I | 24 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 25 | know I'm right. I'm going to have to find - | 25 | Q. | Yeah. |
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| 1 | try and rectify that perception that I | 1 |  | OOTH: |
| 2 | didn't do a good job", and I've now got the | 2 | A. | And you're absolutely correct. When the |
| 3 | Kroll work. I've got the Damodaran work and | 3 |  | survey, the 41 survey respondents said six |
| 4 | does that inform my judgment? Yes, it does. | 4 |  | percent in Canada. I used to use a range of |
| 5 | Do I just look at my estimates and say, | 5 |  | five to six percent. When Kroll said 5.5, |
| 6 | "well, these are my estimates, historic | 6 |  | when the survey respondents in the US said |
| 7 | estimates, I'm going to live and die by | 7 |  | 5.7, when Damodaran said 5.5, I thought |
| 8 | them'? No, I don't. You have to look at | 8 |  | well, five seems to be a little bit low, |
| 9 | expectations. That's one of the things that | 9 |  | compared to what I was doing before. So, I |
| 10 | the survey of cost of capital looks at and | 10 |  | did bump it up to 5.5 to 6 percent. |
| 11 | I've tried to do everything in that survey | 11 |  | BRIEN: |
| 12 | which is indicated as important things in | 12 | Q. | And if it wasn't for that change, we'd be |
| 13 | estimating the cost of capital. | 13 |  | back - you'd be recommending 7.5 likely? |
| 14 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 14 |  | OOTH: |
| 15 | Q. I got the impression from either a response | 15 | A. | I think the betas, the betas that I used |
| 16 | to an RFI or somewhere in your evidence that | 16 |  | this time are slightly higher than in - |
| 17 | the survey results from this Fernandez | 17 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 18 | survey had sort of made an impression on you | 18 | Q. | I'll get to that. |
| 19 | to increase your estimate to the 5.5 versus | 19 |  | OOTH: |
| 20 | the 5 bottom. Is that fair? | 20 |  | - in 2016. So - |
| 21 | DR. BOOTH: | 21 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 22 | A. I think that's fair. | 22 |  | Okay. It's a combination of the two? |
| 23 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 23 |  | OOTH: |
| 24 | Q. Yeah. | 24 | A. | It's a combination of the two, basically as |
| 25 | DR. BOOTH: | 25 |  | 20 basis points. |


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| 1 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 1 | own estimates of the market risk premium? I |
| 2 | Q. That Fernandez survey, has there been any | 2 | could just use these public market. Why do |
| 3 | concern raised about that survey itself over | 3 | I bother coming up with my own beta |
| 4 | time that you've been using it, any issues | 4 | estimates? I can just use public beta |
| 5 | with its validity that you're aware of? | 5 | estimates" and I would dramatically reduce a |
| 6 | DR. BOOTH: | 6 | lot of my testimony. But I feel, as an |
| 7 | A. I think there's always a concern with the | 7 | expert, I have to validate the external |
| 8 | validity of surveys. One of the concerns is | 8 | work, and that's a job that I do. So, how |
| 9 | who actually fills out the survey. | 9 | much do I weigh these things? I honestly |
| 10 | O'BRIEN: | 10 | don't know. There's no formulaic 30 percent |
| 11 | Q. Exactly. | 11 | Fernandez, 20 percent Damodaran to come up |
| 12 | DR. BOOTH: | 12 | with that. It's what I think is reasonable |
| 13 | A. We do surveys for chief executive officers, | 13 | given the values that come out. |
| 14 | for example, on financial things. We send | 14 | O'BRIEN: |
| 15 | them a survey. They say, 'I'm not going to | 15 | Q. Okay, all right. So, let's talk about that |
| 16 | answer this. I'm going to give it to that | 16 | then. You were here last time and you had - |
| 17 | hire with the MBA from Wharton" and then the | 17 | in 2016, and you had a range of five to six. |
| 18 | MBA from Wharton says, "well, what did they | 18 | Why has your range - you've upped your range |
| 19 | tell me to do in my finance classes? Ah-ah, | 19 | now or you've changed your range to five and |
| 20 | capital asset pricing model". So, the big | 20 | a half to six. Why has it narrowed? Why |
| 21 | problem in - I mean, surveys are important, | 21 | haven't you gone five and a half to six and |
| 22 | but I mean, I wouldn't totally hang my hat | 22 | a half? |
| 23 | on them because there is a certain - there's | 23 | BOOTH: |
| 24 | a response bias attached to surveys. | 24 | A. I haven't seen any reputable people |
| 25 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 25 | producing an estimate above six percent. |
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| 1 | Q. So, how do you account for that in your own | 1 | R. O'BRIEN: |
| 2 | personal assessment of what the market risk | 2 | Q. No reputable people? |
| 3 | premium would be if there's a response bias | 3 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 4 | there? | 4 | A. No. |
| 5 | DR. BOOTH: | 5 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 6 | A. Well, I think it's five to six percent. The | 6 | Q. None? |
| 7 | response in the United States, 5.7, Canada, | 7 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 8 | six percent, Damodaran, 5.47 percent, Kroll, | 8 | A. And I say the three main sources are |
| 9 | 5.5. When you get this overwhelming number | 9 | Damodaran, Kroll and Fernandez. 41 |
| 10 | of values, did I look at Fernandez and say, | 10 | respondents put the median for Canada at six |
| 11 | "well, I'm going to hang my head on - or my | 11 | percent, which is the top of the range. I |
| 12 | hat on that?" No, I honestly don't know | 12 | haven't seen any support of anything beyond |
| 13 | what - how much I filtered that information | 13 | six percent. |
| 14 | to come up with 5.5 to 6 . It's more | 14 | R. O'BRIEN: |
| 15 | impressionistic that that was basically what | 15 | Q. Any relevance to the US data? |
| 16 | was coming back in the data from external | 16 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 17 | experts. Tell me what I could have done is | 17 | A. The US data is lower. They're now coming |
| 18 | say, well, I'm - Booth isn't going to do | 18 | with a US market risk premium in the survey |
| 19 | anything, and I used to do everything | 19 | of 5.7 percent and Damodaran's estimate of |
| 20 | myself, all my own estimates. Now, there's | 20 | 5.4 percent is US data, and Kroll's estimate |
| 21 | a lot of people out there that do this and | 21 | is US data at 5.5, now reduced to five |
| 22 | it's public information. So, Fernandez | 22 | percent. |
| 23 | survey is out there. Damodaran is out | 23 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 24 | there. Kroll is out there. I'm looking at | 24 | Q. So, are these figures all narrowing all |
| 25 | this saying, "why do I bother to produce my | 25 | across the board, like the data? |


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|  | DR. BOOTH: | 1 | depends upon the betas that we observe, and |
| 2 | I'm surprised at how narrow they are. And I used to use three percent, Mr. O'Brien. | 2 | I think back in 2016, I was adjusting them |
| 3 |  | 3 | towards the Grand Mean - |
| 4 | That was back in the ' 90 s when long Canada | 4 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 5 | bond yields were up at 14 percent and the | 5 | Q. Grand Mean, I believe, yeah. |
| 6 | spread for the equity market was a lot | 6 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 7 | narrower than it is today. My estimates | 7 | A. The betas, which was the evidence of beta |
| 8 | have gone up for the market risk premium as | 8 | adjustment processes in the United States. |
| 9 | long Canada bond yields - expected normal | 9 | R. O'BRIEN: |
| 10 | long Canada bond yields come down. | 10 | Q. And was that something that came out of |
| 11 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 11 | research that you were involved in? |
| 12 | Let's talk about your betas. | 12 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 13 | OOOTH: | 13 | A. No, that came - well, before the National |
| 14 | Yeah. | 14 | Energy Board in 2001, my late colleague, Dr. |
| 15 | 'BRIEN: | 15 | Berkowitz and I, and it was mainly Mike, |
| 16 | Your beta estimates. So, that's the | 16 | that was something that he was interested |
| 17 | coefficient that represents the relative | 17 | in, we looked at the number of Canadian |
| 18 | risk of the utility or whatever you're | 18 | pure, reasonably pure regulated utilities |
| 19 | measuring. Is that fair? | 19 | and we did a Blume adjustment at that time, |
| 20 | OOTH: | 20 | and the adjustment was, surprise, surprise, |
| 21 | It's the relative risk and risk relative - | 21 | to the Grand Mean, consistent with the work |
| 22 | 'BRIEN: | 22 | in the United States on beta adjustment, and |
| 23 | To the market. | 23 | we presented that before the NEB and it |
| 24 | DR. BOOTH: | 24 | wasn't controversial. If you see a utility |
| 25 | - to a diversified portfolio of equities. | 25 | and it's always had a beta of .5 and then |
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| 1 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 1 | you look at your estimates and it's dropped |
| 2 | Q. Yeah, okay. And I gather from a review of | 2 | to .1, you say, "what on earth's happened |
| 3 | your previous evidence before the Board in | 3 | here? That looks to be something special. |
| 4 | 2016, you had betas in the range or a beta | 4 | I need to adjust that" and that's all that |
| 5 | range of .45 to .55. Is that correct? | 5 | the beta adjustment does. So, it's not a |
| 6 | DR. BOOTH: | 6 | question of do we adjust betas. It's a |
| 7 | A. That's correct. | 7 | question of do we adjust them towards the |
| 8 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 8 | average risk of the stock in the market, |
| 9 | Q. All right. Was that | 9 | which is what the Blume adjustment does to |
| 10 | data at that time? | 10 | all stocks in the market, and if I didn't |
| 11 | DR. BOOTH: | 11 | know anything about what's going on in the |
| 12 | A. No, that was mainly the estimate of the | 12 | stock market, Blume is right, that if you |
| 13 | long-run tendency of betas in the Canadian | 13 | just tell me that beta is .2 , and you don't |
| 14 | market. As I explained in my direct, the | 14 | tell me the stock, like a game, they hide |
| 15 | question is if you see an observation, do | 15 | the game, they hide the utility behind a |
| 16 | you adjust it, and you have - we call this | 16 | wall and they say, "it's a beta of 2 ". |
| 17 | Bayesian adjustment. It's due to a British | 17 | :00 p.m.) |
| 18 | clergyman called Reverend Thomas Bayes | 18 | I'd say "well, I think the appropriate beta |
| 19 | hundreds of years ago. Basically you look | 19 | would be .33 plus 66 - two-thirds of that |
| 20 | at something and you assess "is that | 20 | . 2 " and then if they said, "ah, by the way, |
| 21 | reasonable?" and you update your estimate, | 21 | it's a tech company" and I say, "well, |
| 22 | which we all do this. We look at things and | 22 | that's ridiculous". You don't adjust it to |
| 23 | it changes our knowledge and we update what | 23 | one. Tech stocks are riskier than one. I |
| 24 | we do. So, when we look at betas, we all | 24 | would change my beta adjustment. And if you |
| 25 | adjust betas. How much we adjust them, it | 25 | told me, "Ah-ah, it's a bank". I'd say, |


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| 1 | "well, banks have got betas around about | 1 | relative to other people? Yes. The only |
| 2 | one." I would adjust it with the Blume | 2 | other refereed publication looking at US |
| 3 | adjustment. And if you told me it was a | 3 | regulated utilities was in the electricity |
| 4 | utility, I'd say, "well, utility are low | 4 | journal by two people. I've forgotten the |
| 5 | risk. The .2 may be low, but it's not | 5 | first - and the second name was Theodossiou. |
| 6 | excessively low", I'd adjust it upwards to | 6 | They could find no beta adjustment for US |
| 7 | .5. So that is where Blume is right and | 7 | electric utilities either. |
| 8 | Blume is wrong. He's right for the overall | 8 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 9 | stock market. He's not right for anybody | 9 | Q. I sent you a - or I've given counsel a |
| 10 | that knows anything about the beta and the | 10 | cross-aid and this was a BCUC decision from |
| 11 | information about that company, and we know | 11 | 2016, and I'm going to ask you just about |
| 12 | a lot about utilities. | 12 | how the commission had assessed your betas, |
| 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 13 | and maybe we can put that in as an |
| 14 | Q. I'll get to Blume. I'm just wondering about | 14 | information item? I've got two copies |
| 15 | your betas first. | 15 | there. |
| 16 | DR. BOOTH: | 16 | GREENE, KC: |
| 17 | A. Well, 2001, my colleague, Mike Berkowitz | 17 | Q. A decision - |
| 18 | looked at a beta adjustment for Canadian | 18 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 19 | utilities. Can't do that anymore. They | 19 | Q. That was the 2016 - it's a 2016 one. |
| 20 | don't exist. | 20 | MS. PHILPOTT: |
| 21 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 21 | Q. So, the 2016 decision between Fortis Energy |
| 22 | Q. No. | 22 | Inc., the application for its common equity |
| 23 | DR. BOOTH | 23 | component and return on equity, is |
| 24 | A. So, I looked at the betas for the electric | 24 | Information Item number 26. |
| 25 | utility holding companies that I had and I | 25 | COFFEY, KC: |
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| 1 | did a Blume assessment on those electric | 1 | Q. I'm sorry, number - |
| 2 | utility holding companies as beta, and I | 2 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 3 | discovered that the intersect was .45 and | 3 | Q. 26. |
| 4 | the coefficient on the actual beta was .05 , | 4 | MS. PHILPOTT: |
| 5 | barely significant, and as I say, the best I | 5 | Q. 26. |
| 6 | could say is .45 to .5 looks to be | 6 | COFFEY, KC: |
| 7 | reasonable for the beta adjustment for the | 7 | Q. 26? Thank you. |
| 8 | grand mean. | 8 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 9 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 9 | Q. Dr. Booth, did you give testimony in this |
| 10 | Q. And did you assess that against any other | 10 | particular matter? |
| 11 | empirical data out there or was that just | 11 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 12 | your best assessment at that time, your | 12 | A. I think so, yes. |
| 13 | personal assessment? | 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 14 | DR. BOOTH: | 14 | Q. Okay. And I'm going to ask if we can scroll |
| 15 | A. That was my empirical assessment and I | 15 | to page 71. |
| 16 | started doing this, I think - I think when | 16 | MS. PHILPOTT: |
| 17 | did I - last year. It's relatively recently | 17 | Q. Sorry, my apologies, it should actually be |
| 18 | because, as I think I've said, I've been | 18 | Information Item number 25. |
| 19 | dragged or forced into looking at US | 19 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 20 | utilities to counter or to assess the | 20 | Q. 25, sorry. Thanks. |
| 21 | reasonableness of other American witnesses | 21 | MS. PHILPOTT: |
| 22 | who are looking at the same companies. And | 22 | Q. Got ahead of myself. |
| 23 | there's no beta adjustment for the US | 23 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 24 | electric utilities. The Blume model just | 24 | Q. And if we scroll down, and this is the |
| 25 | doesn't hold for them. And did I assess it | 25 |  |


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| 1 | Commission's determination with respect to | 1 | So, since that point in time, and in this |
| 2 | betas. I think right down near the bottom | 2 | particular hearing we've got a different |
| 3 | of the page there's a comment there, and | 3 | beta assessment--you've got . 5 to 6 in this |
| 4 | you'd indicated already that you look at | 4 | one. |
| 5 | Commission decisions and consider them and | 5 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 6 | how they've ruled in your evidence that was | 6 | A. That's correct. |
| 7 | given, and even make adjustments going | 7 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 8 | forward. The Commission says it does not | 8 | Q. And how much of that is based on your |
| 9 | accept it should rely solely on Dr. Booth's | 9 | estimates, and how much is based on market |
| 10 | judgment without stronger empirical | 10 | data? How much is based on an |
| 11 | corroborating evidence to support his beta | 11 | interpretation of the two? |
| 12 | judgments. Accordingly, the Panel finds it | 12 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 13 | can place only limited weight on Dr. Booth's | 13 | A. I'd say the--well, I don't--I'd have to go |
| 14 | beta estimates. Did you have cause to | 14 | back to what I did in the BCUC, but I don't |
| 15 | review this particular decision after it | 15 | think I used only public market betas that I |
| 16 | came out? | 16 | do now. I'm almost certain I didn't. |
| 17 | DR. BOOTH: | 17 | That's something that I've tried to |
| 18 | A. Yes, and I now look at beta adjustments | 18 | emphasize. And also to be fair in response |
| 19 | specifically to address this. | 19 | to other witnesses, I estimate my betas, but |
| 20 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 20 | I now have RBC betas, and I have all these |
| 21 | Q. Okay. | 21 | other betas, so that the judgment component |
| 22 | DR. BOOTH: | 22 | is--I mean, when I say judgment I mean the |
| 23 | A. There was no beta adjustment in the 2016. I | 23 | betas are the betas, are what they are. |
| 24 | relied upon the work that I referenced, | 24 | They're empirical estimates. I use the same |
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| 1 | which was the only empirical work that was | 1 | software to develop those betas as Bloomberg |
| 2 | there. Since then there's the Thomadakis | 2 | or anybody else. So, that's what the data |
| 3 | paper that looks at beta adjustment for US | 3 | shows. I have come up from Nord .45 to Nord |
| 4 | utilities, and since then I've resurrected | 4 | . 55 , to Nord .5 to Nord .6. So, there has |
| 5 | the work I did in--my colleague and I did in | 5 | been an increase in my beta estimates. |
| 6 | 2001 before the NEB, and I've looked to the | 6 | They're still not adjusted because I can't |
| 7 | beta adjustment for electric utilities in | 7 | find any evidence whatsoever for a beta |
| 8 | the United States. So, as I said, I look at | 8 | adjustment towards 1, but I still do think |
| 9 | it and I say, wow, I obviously didn't do a | 9 | we should adjust beta estimates based upon |
| 10 | good job there. I'm going to have to do | 10 | judgment. |
| 11 | some work on beta adjustment techniques, and | 11 | R. O'BRIEN: |
| 12 | I did that. | 12 | Q. Your estimates are significantly below the |
| 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 13 | raw data presented by Mr. Coyne and |
| 14 | Q. And in that particular hearing was your | 14 | Concentric. |
| 15 | assessment similar, 45 to .55 ? Would that | 15 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 16 | have been your assessment? | 16 | A. That I don't understand because what Mr. |
| 17 | DR. BOOTH: | 17 | Coyne is saying is not just that Booth uses |
| 18 | A. Probably, because the estimate of the grand | 18 | judgment, which I don't, but his estimates |
| 19 | mean was about.52, so that would probably | 19 | are too low. The Royal Bank of Canada's |
| 20 | be--would have been my estimate. | 20 | estimates are too low. CFRA's estimates |
| 21 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 21 | are too low. The Globe and Mail's estimates |
| 22 | Q. Yes, and I recall that coming out of the | 22 | are too low, and Yahoo, S\&P's estimates are |
| 23 | last hearing. . 52 I think is what your | 23 | too low. So, it's like everybody else is |
| 24 | evidence said, so that would make sense. | 24 | too low, but leave my betas. |
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| 1 | Q. In the last five years. | 1 | also 1, because you're adjusting towards 1. |
| 2 | DR. BOOTH: | 2 | So, the higher the beta by definition the |
| 3 | A. I cannot understand that because it's--well, | 3 | range is going to get smaller. |
| 4 | I can understand it in the sense that the | 4 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 5 | Bloomberg data - | 5 | Q. But even the raw data is closer to 1. |
| 6 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 6 | (1:15 p.m.) |
| 7 | Q. (Unintelligible)? | 7 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 8 | DR. BOOTH: | 8 | A. Yeah, I don't understand that to be |
| 9 | A. It just looks at price changes. They don't | 9 | absolutely honest because it's not--it's not |
| 10 | look at dividends, and when you include | 10 | consistent with the data in the Centre for |
| 11 | dividends, as you do, for the overall rate | 11 | Research and Security Prices. It's not |
| 12 | of return, that tends to moderate the beta | 12 | consistent with the data in the Toronto |
| 13 | estimates; whereas Bloomberg I know uses | 13 | Stock Exchange database. It's not |
| 14 | price changes. It says so on their webpage. | 14 | consistent with all of the betas produced by |
| 15 | But I can't understand, if that is correct, | 15 | independent authorities. So, it has to be |
| 16 | and I haven't looked at Bloomberg, and I | 16 | that they use weekly betas, estimated the |
| 17 | don't have a Bloomberg, I do not understand | 17 | data, and you use the short time period, and |
| 18 | why those estimates are so different from | 18 | probably the short time period is you're |
| 19 | public market beta estimates. And as I | 19 | saying that whatever happens in that short |
| 20 | said, you can check Bloomberg betas on the | 20 | time period is going to happen in the |
| 21 | internet and you can find out how they do- | 21 | future. So, it would have to be covering |
| 22 | estimate their betas, and they report both | 22 | the period of the last 36--the last three |
| 23 | Bloom adjusted betas, and they report | 23 | years if you're using three year weekly |
| 24 | unadjusted raw betas. I cannot understand | 24 | betas, and then you must then be assuming |
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| 1 | how their estimates disagree from all the | 1 | that whatever happened in the last three |
| 2 | other public market - | 2 | years, or from--I think somewhere uses |
| 3 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 3 | January 2020, is going to repeat in the |
| 4 | Q. Now, Mr. Coyne has shown adjusted and | 4 | future, which means--which means that you're |
| 5 | unadjusted, so raw and adjusted, in his | 5 | COVID and the rising interest rate period |
| 6 | report, in Concentric's report. | 6 | over the last 18 months is going to happen |
| 7 | DR. BOOTH: | 7 | again in the future. |
| 8 | A. Okay. Well, the public mark | 8 | R. O'BRIEN: |
| 9 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 9 | Q. So, that's your assumption? |
| 10 | Q. They're shown. | 10 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 11 | DR. BOOTH: | 11 | A. No, I'd say that is--that is not my |
| 12 | A. The unadjusted - | 12 | assumption, that's what it is. |
| 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: |
| 14 | Q. And he adjusted--and there's a narrow range | 14 | Q. You just said you haven't looked at it. |
| 15 | between the two I'm going to suggest to you | 15 | DR. BOOTH: |
| 16 | now, more so than there was before. | 16 | A. No, no. Look, if you estimate the data--all |
| 17 | DR. BOOTH: | 17 | you do when you estimate is you look at the |
| 18 | A. Well, look, that's true. If there's a | 18 | data and you estimate a beta. If you |
| 19 | narrow range, by definition they have to be | 19 | estimate that beta over the last three |
| 20 | a lot closer. I mean because otherwise the | 20 | years, and you say that is the latest beta, |
| 21 | difference in the--the point of adjusting | 21 | I'm going to use that going forward, you are |
| 22 | them is because there's a big difference, so | 22 | saying that the experience over the last |
| 23 | the range should get--I mean, look if the | 23 | three years is going to be repeated in the |
| 24 | beta was equal to 1 , the adjusted beta is | 24 | future. That is your estimate. And if Mr. |
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| 1 | beta, the Panel accepts the expert's | 1 |  | substantially increased my coverage of |
| 2 | recommendation to use Bloom adjusted betas." | 2 |  | adjusted betas. This was never an issue in |
| 3 | The Panel has no choice. | 3 |  | Canada because we never accepted adjusted |
| 4 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 4 |  | betas until American witnesses came in. And |
| 5 | Q. You're saying that a competent tribunal of | 5 |  | now I'm providing evidence that there's no |
| 6 | competent jurisdiction, like the BCUC, has | 6 |  | evidence whatsoever the electric utility |
| 7 | no choice? Is that your suggestion? | 7 |  | beta adjust towards 1, none, absolutely |
| 8 | DR. BOOTH: | 8 |  | none. And I've never, ever, seen, even a |
| 9 | A. No. I would say that my experience has been | 9 |  | utility witness, put in evidence to show |
| 10 | that the panel, every panel, makes a | 10 |  | that utility betas adjust towards 1. They |
| 11 | decision based upon the evidentiary basis | 11 |  | just say, oh, no, Bloom--this is a Bloom |
| 12 | put before them, and the evidentiary basis | 12 |  | adjustment, and the Bloom adjustment was not |
| 13 | put before the BCUC was from two witnesses, | 13 |  | anything to do with utilities. |
| 14 | both of whom apparently used adjusted betas. | 14 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 15 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 15 | Q. | Just a last couple of questions on the CAPM |
| 16 | Q. Do you know whether the BCUC had actually | 16 |  | model. So, your results from that model, |
| 17 | rejected using adjusted betas previously? | 17 |  | you come up with a 7.05 to 7.9 range, I |
| 18 | DR. BOOTH: | 18 |  | think, and a midpoint of 7.45. Does that |
| 19 | A. I think it looks at all the data from--the | 19 |  | sound right to you? |
| 20 | BCUC looked at all the betas in the past and | 20 |  | OOTH: |
| 21 | then forms its assessment. So - | 21 | A. | What was--when? |
| 22 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 22 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 23 | Q. I think they rejected those adjusted betas | 23 | $\mathrm{Q}$ | Your CAPM model comes up with that range, a |
| 24 | in the past, and actually had made a change | 24 |  | mid range of 7.45, and then you add the |
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| 1 | in approach in this case. | 1 |  | spread to it, a credit spread of .23. So, |
| 2 | DR. BOOTH: | 2 |  | you come up with - |
| 3 | A. I think it said something--well, we go back | 3 |  | OOOTH: |
| 4 | to the 2016 case, but I think it said that | 4 | A. | Yeah, okay. |
| 5 | Dr. Booth's adjustments to the grand mean of | 5 |  | O'BRIEN: |
| 6 | the betas--and it wasn't my adjustment. | 6 |  | Do you know what I'm saying? |
| 7 | This is the--this is quoted in the academic | 7 |  | BOOTH: |
| 8 | journals, they didn't accept. Now, why they | 8 | A. | If you - |
| 9 | reject an evidentiary basis specific to | 9 |  | O'BRIEN: |
| 10 | utilities, while evidentiary basis that's | 10 | Q. | I'm just doing the math there, but I think |
| 11 | not specific to utilities, I'll leave in the | 11 |  | that's what - |
| 12 | minds of the BCUC, it's their decision. | 12 |  | BOOTH: |
| 13 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 13 | A. | But if we flash up what I actually do, then |
| 14 | Q. They would exercise regulatory judgment and | 14 |  | it might help the Board. |
| 15 | make a decision on the basis of what's | 15 |  | O'BRIEN: |
| 16 | before them. | 16 | Q. | I'm not certain. I don't have a note here |
| 17 | DR. BOOTH: | 17 |  | as to where that is. I guess my question is |
| 18 | A. That's right, but they can't change | 18 |  | actually more along that credit spread, the |
| 19 | financial theory I'm afraid, Mr. O'Brien, or | 19 |  | point .23 basis point credit spread that you |
| 20 | they can't change - | 20 |  | add to your mean. Can you explain just |
| 21 | MR. O'BRIEN: | 21 |  | where that spread comes from, that .23 , how |
| 22 | Q. I'm not suggesting - | 22 |  | you come up with that figure? |
| 23 | DR. BOOTH: | 23 |  | BOOTH: |
| 24 | A. They can't financial data, and I have now | 24 | A. | It's 50 percent of the adjustment of the |
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| 1 | spread between utility A bonds and the | 1 |  | didn't last very long, but we included that |
| 2 | Government of Canada bond rate. So, that's | 2 |  | spread adjustment, and the first people to |
| 3 | the--right. So, that spread before the | 3 |  | use it I think was the Ontario Energy Board, |
| 4 | financial crisis was typically 100 basis | 4 |  | and it increased the ROE if they had it in |
| 5 | points. And when we first looked at this, | 5 |  | 2009 to remove the problem of this A bond |
| 6 | Ms. McShane, the witness for Newfoundland | 6 |  | cost going up, ROE going down, and since |
| 7 | Power, in a hearing in Gazifere used an | 7 |  | then--I mean, the OEB still uses it. |
| 8 | adjustment of 100 basis points for the | 8 |  | Everybody as far as I'm aware uses it. |
| 9 | credit spread before the financial crisis | 9 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 10 | and then looked at the current credit spread | 10 | Q. | Is that something that came out of the NEB |
| 11 | to reflect--to make the capital more | 11 |  | formula, that 50 percent? |
| 12 | sensitive to capital market conditions. And | 12 |  | OOTH: |
| 13 | just about everybody, as far as I'm aware, | 13 | A. | No, before--the NEB formula was working |
| 14 | has agreed that since 2009 that the fair | 14 |  | until 2008, the financial crisis, and it was |
| 15 | ROE, if you make a 50 percent adjustment, | 15 |  | dumped--they used the ATWACC, A-T-W-A-C-C, |
| 16 | .5 , times the change in the credit spread | 16 |  | and then they dropped it, and now the NEB, |
| 17 | from 1 percent, and that's what we were | 17 |  | for all pipe clients, there are settlements |
| 18 | using back in 2011, that would make the | 18 |  | because you're dealing with a smaller number |
| 19 | capital market, the CAPM, a little bit more | 19 |  | of shippers and the pipelines, and they |
| 20 | sensitive to capital market conditions. | 20 |  | negotiated an agreement. |
| 21 | So, in the height of the financial | 21 |  | 'BRIEN: |
| 22 | crisis, that spread--I forget how big it | 22 | Q. | And is there any personal sort of judgment |
| 23 | was, but it was huge, but supposed it was | 23 |  | as to what percentage to use there, or is |
| 24 | 200 basis points, because the markets were | 24 |  | that something everybody uses? |
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| 1 | in freefall and people were just selling A | 1 |  | BOOTH: |
| 2 | rated bonds. So, if the spread was 2 | 2 | A. | I answered evidence that the Bank of Canada |
| 3 | percent, normally it's 1 percent, then we | 3 |  | estimated the credit spread as being worthy |
| 4 | got an indicator of actual current | 4 |  | of a 37 percent adjustment, and that's the |
| 5 | conditions in the capital market, and the | 5 |  | only evidence I've seen for that adjustment, |
| 6 | recommendation was to say the .5 adjustment | 6 |  | and because when you look at an A bond yield |
| 7 | of that change in the credit spread. So, if | 7 |  | it's risky. It's risky for the Government |
| 8 | your credit spread is adjusted by 1 percent | 8 |  | of Canada. You got default risk. But it's |
| 9 | you add 50 basis points, .5 times 1 percent. | 9 |  | also less liquid than the Government of |
| 10 | And that was sort of commonly accepted | 10 |  | Canada bond yield. |
| 11 | across the board. | 11 |  | So, when we look at the A bond yield we |
| 12 | I can't remember whether this Board | 12 |  | have to extract the liquidity impact and the |
| 13 | accepted or used that credit, but certainly | 13 |  | default impact, and those are the two |
| 14 | the Regis did, the Ontario Energy Board did, | 14 |  | components, the main components, to get into |
| 15 | the Alberta Utilities Commission did, the | 15 |  | the credit spread. And when you look at |
| 16 | BCUC Commission did, just to make the CAPM a | 16 |  | those two, liquidity doesn't affect the |
| 17 | little bit more sensitive to market | 17 |  | equity market. In times of financial |
| 18 | conditions, and to remove the impact that we | 18 |  | crisis, liquidity in the bond market goes |
| 19 | had in 2008/2009, remember this flight to | 19 |  | down, but liquidity in the equity market |
| 20 | quality and ROE tied to long-term Canada | 20 |  | goes up. There's a huge increase in |
| 21 | bond went down, whereas at the same time the | 21 |  | volumes. People trade shares. |
| 22 | borrowing cost for the utility went up, | 22 |  | So, the problem the Bank of Canada |
| 23 | which people regarded as-and I would regard | 23 |  | researchers had that looked at this was |
| 24 | it as anomalous. It was temporary. It | 24 |  | trying to extract the liquidity component |
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| 1 | from the default component in the credit | CERTIFICATE |
| 2 | spread, and their analysis showed it should |  |
| 3 | be a .37 adjustment. | I, Judy Moss, hereby certify that the foregoing is a |
| 4 | The first time this came up I said | true and correct transcript of hearing in the matter |
| 5 | well, the only evidence we got on the record | of Newfoundland Power Inc. 2025-2026 General Rate |
| 6 | is research by the Bank of Canada. It | Application heard on June 20th, 2024 before the |
| 7 | should be a 37 percent adjustment to the | Newfoundland and Labrador Board of Commissioners of |
| 8 | change in the credit spread, but we all | Public Utilities, 120 Torbay Road, St. John's, |
| 9 | sort-37 percent is a funny number. We | Newfoundland and Labrador and was transcribed by me to |
| 10 | actually--everyone agreed with 50 percent, | the best of my ability by means of a sound apparatus. |
| 11 | mainly because the Ontario Energy Board, I |  |
| 12 | think, used 50 percent. | Dated at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador this |
| 13 | So, the 50 percent is a judgment call. | 20th day of June, 2024 |
| 14 | It's not my judgment call. I wasn't |  |
| 15 | particularly favourable to a credit spread |  |
| 16 | adjustment because it should even out over | Judy M |
| 17 | the business cycle, but I have no problem | Jud |
| 18 | with using a credit spread adjustment |  |
| 19 | because it does make the ROE a little bit |  |
| 20 | more sensitive to capital market conditions, |  |
| 21 | and I discussed that in Appendix E in |  |
| 22 | detail. |  |
| 23 | MR. O'BRIEN: |  |
| 24 | Q. I think - |  |
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| 1 | CHAIR: |  |
| 2 | Q. Do you want to conclude now for today? |  |
| 3 | MR. O'BRIEN: |  |
| 4 | Q. We can conclude for today, Mr. Chair. |  |
| 5 | CHAIR: |  |
| 6 | Q. See you in the morning, everybody. |  |
| 7 | Upon conclusion at 1:33 p.m. |  |
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