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1 Q. In NP-72(a), the common equity ratio appears to be calculated on an end-ofyear basis. Provide the common equity ratio in a manner consistent with that used at KCM page 15 (i.e. average basis).

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5 A. Please see schedule below.

	2001	2002	Average	
Based on 75% Dividend Payout	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	%
Total Debt at end of year	1,225,076	1,316,147	1,270,612	81.11%
Employee Future Benefits	23,554	25,123	24,339	1.56%
Total Equity at end of year	269,367	273,632	271,499	<u>17.33</u> %
	1,517,997	1,614,902	1,566,450	100.00%