

Q. NLH-132 CA (Re: Pages 34-36 in the growth tables)

Please provide the calculations for the sustainable growth figures.

A. The values are based on the returns and dividend payout ratios shown on page 31 of the testimony and the sustainable growth rates are calculated as follows:

$$4.73 = 13.14 \times (1 - .64)$$

$$3.67 = 12.55 \times (1 - .71)$$

$$4.60 = 12.77 \times (1 - .64)$$

$$3.61 = 12.46 \times (1 - .71)$$