

- 1 **Q. Coyne Evidence: Please confirm that in his current evidence Mr. Coyne places**
2 **primary weight on a combined US and Canadian sample of electric companies that**
3 **is 2/9 Canadian and 7/9 American.**
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- 5 A. Confirmed. See page 35 of Concentric’s report, where Mr. Coyne states: “*Because the*
6 *utilities in the North American Electric Utilities proxy group are more representative of*
7 *Newfoundland Power, I place greater weight on those results. The average of all three*
8 *methods for the North American group is 9.7 percent, within the range of 9.2-10.1*
9 *percent. Based on this analysis, I believe that a reasonable estimate of Newfoundland*
10 *Power’s required cost of equity is 9.5 percent.*”