

- 1 **Q. Reference: Grant Thornton Report – page 23 – Table 13: Please provide all of the**
 2 **actual numbers used to calculate the return on average common equity and return**
 3 **on average rate base for each year presented in Table 13.**
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 6 **A. The following figures were used to calculate the return on average common equity and**
 7 **return on average rate base for each year presented in Table 13:**

Figures Supporting Table 13: Average Common Equity vs. Return on Average Rate Base 2010-2017

(\$000's)	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Forecast 2015	Proposed 2016	Proposed 2017
Regulated Return on Equity	\$ 35,984	\$ 35,289	\$ 35,547	\$ 37,993	\$ 39,272	\$ 39,769	\$ 45,257	\$ 47,115	
Excess Earnings	-	-	-	49	-	-	-	-	
Return on Preferred Equity	568	567	567	563	557	552	552	552	
	36,552	35,856	36,114	38,605	39,829	40,321	45,809	47,667	
Finance Charges									
Interest on Long-term Debt	35,850	35,444	35,039	35,123	36,327	35,027	35,439	37,091	
Other Interest	329	687	856	1,075	626	1,051	818	534	
Amortization of Bond Issue Expense	232	308	337	302	254	245	219	213	
AFUDC	(820)	(970)	(821)	(891)	(1,435)	(974)	(1,071)	(1,089)	
	35,591	35,469	35,411	35,609	35,772	35,349	35,405	36,749	
Return on Rate Base	\$ 72,143	\$ 71,325	\$ 71,525	\$ 74,214	\$ 75,601	\$ 75,670	\$ 81,214	\$ 84,416	
Average Rate Base	\$ 875,210	\$ 876,398	\$ 883,045	\$ 915,820	\$ 964,955	\$ 1,015,999	\$ 1,060,331	\$ 1,105,064	
Return on Average Rate Base	8.24%	8.14%	8.10%	8.10%	7.83%	7.45%	7.66%	7.64%	
Common Shares	\$ 70,321	\$ 70,321	\$ 70,321	\$ 70,321	\$ 70,321	\$ 70,321	\$ 70,321	\$ 70,321	\$ 70,321
Retained Earnings	310,864	330,181	313,709	337,235	351,279	366,426	395,088	416,907	434,220
Common Share Equity	381,185	400,502	384,030	407,556	421,600	436,747	465,409	487,228	504,541
Preferred Shares	9,111	9,111	9,081	9,081	8,981	8,948	8,948	8,948	8,948
Shareholder's Equity	\$ 390,296	\$ 409,613	\$ 393,111	\$ 416,637	\$ 430,581	\$ 445,695	\$ 474,357	\$ 496,176	\$ 513,489
Average Common Share Equity	\$ 390,844	\$ 392,266	\$ 395,793	\$ 414,578	\$ 429,174	\$ 451,078	\$ 476,319	\$ 495,885	
Regulated Return on Equity	\$ 35,984	\$ 35,289	\$ 35,547	\$ 37,993	\$ 39,272	\$ 39,769	\$ 45,257	\$ 47,115	
Return on Average Common Share Equity	9.21%	9.00%	8.98%	9.16%	9.15%	8.82%	9.50%	9.50%	