

- 1 **Q.**                   **Reference: *Fair Return for Newfoundland Power (NP)*, Evidence of**  
2                   **Laurence D. Booth, September 28, 2021, page 59, lines 2-5.**  
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4                   ***“What is important is that both the market risk premium and the associated***  
5                   ***risk-free rate have declined from both 2010 and 2019 to 2020, that is, there is***  
6                   ***no evidence of an inverse relationship between the market risk premium and***  
7                   ***the level of interest rates over the last ten years either in Canada or the US.”***  
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9                   **Please provide the annual market equity returns in Canada and the U.S.**  
10                   **from 2010 to 2020, and the corresponding 10-year treasury yields.**  
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13 **A.**                   Neither the annual equity market return in Canada or the US nor the respective  
14                   long term interest rates were used to justify that statement. The referenced  
15                   quotation refers to the data on page 59, which is survey data of the market risk  
16                   premium used in both 2010 and 2009. So the requested data is irrelevant to the  
17                   referenced statement in Dr. Booth’s report and is not provided.