- Q. Evidence of Dr. Vander Weide: Experienced "risk premia" Pages 19-23: Would Dr. Vander Weide accept that long term interest rates in Canada peaked in 1981 and since then have declined to the current 2.7% level causing significant unexpected capital gains for all interest sensitive investments?
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  6 A. Dr. Vander Weide accepts that long-term interest rates in Canada were high in 1981 and are now significantly lower. For the reasons explained in response to CA NP 153, Dr. Vander Weide does not accept that these changes in interest rates, alone, caused "significant unexpected capital gains" for utility stocks.