

1 **Q. In Ms. McShane’s 2007 evidence before the Board filed in support of**
2 **Newfoundland Power’s GRA, Ms. McShane stated at p. 9:**

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4 **“The regulatory framework in which a utility operates is frequently**
5 **viewed as the most significant aspect of risk to which investors in the**
6 **utility are exposed. The financial community is very conscious of the**
7 **regulatory environment. . .”**

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9 **Is this statement as true today as it was in 2007?**

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11 **A. The statement, which was made in the context of business risk, is still true.**