Q. Vander Weide Evidence (page 22) - Please state how it is determined that a utility's allowed return is less than its required ROE. 3

- 4 A. Dr. Vander Weide determines whether a utility's allowed ROE is less than its required
- 5 ROE by estimating the utility's cost of equity. Dr. Vander Weide provides his studies on 6 Newfoundland Power's required ROE in his written evidence filed in this proceeding.