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- Q. (Reference Application, Schedule B, page 34) Please provide a table showing for each of the past 5 years: the number of replacement distribution transformers purchased, the total actual cost of the purchased transformers and the adjusted cost of the purchased transformers. Further, please provide the calculation that resulted in the forecast expenditure for this program in 2025.
- Table 1 provides the number, actual cost and adjusted cost of replacement distribution Α. transformers purchased by Newfoundland Power from 2019 to 2023.

Table 1: Quantity and Cost of Replacement Distribution Transformers 2019 to 2023						
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Number of Units <sup>1</sup>	774	727	898	811	762	
Actual Cost (\$000s)	3,019	2,983	3,356	3,873	3,411	
Adjusted Cost (\$000s) <sup>2</sup>	3,665	3,584	3,745	4,014	3,475	

These values represent the quantity of transformers purchased for the *Replacement Transformers* program and are not reflective of actual usage in the year listed.

<sup>2024</sup> Dollars.

Table 2 provides the calculation of the 2025 capital budget for the *Replacement Transformers* program.

Table 2: <i>Replacement Transformers</i> Program 2025 Budget (\$000s)		
	Amount	
Three-Year Average Adjusted Costs (\$2024) <sup>3</sup>	4,430	
11% Increase in Material Cost <sup>4</sup>	487	
GDP Inflation <sup>5</sup>	80	
Additional Inventory <sup>6</sup>	1,343	
2025 Budget	6,340	

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See Newfoundland Power's 2025 Capital Budget Application, Schedule B, page 33, table 1. (\$4,014+\$3,475+\$5,802)/3 = \$4,430.

 $<sup>^4</sup>$  (\$4,430 x 0.11 = \$487). For additional information regarding the approximate 11% increase in material costs, see the response to Request for Information PUB-NP-008.

Based on the forecast GDP Deflator for Canada provided by the Conference Board of Canada in its data release in February 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Additional inventory purchases are required in 2025 to meet minimum inventory levels.