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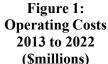
Q. Section 2: Customer Operation/Operating Costs

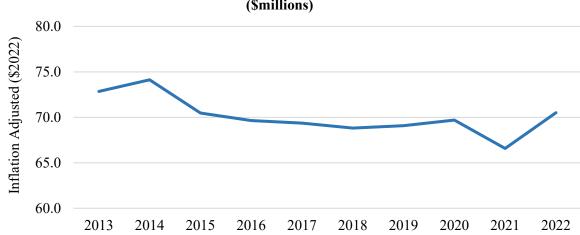
(Section 2, page 2-27) Please present a figure similar to Figure 2-11 but for total annual operating cost rather than the per customer operating cost and, in a spreadsheet, provide the data and underlying calculations.

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A. Figure 1 shows Newfoundland Power's operating costs from 2013 to 2022 on an inflation-adjusted basis. 1





9 10 Newfoundland Power's operating costs from 2013 to 2022 have been reduced by 3.3% on an inflation-adjusted basis.²

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Attachment A provides the requested data.

Non-labour costs are inflation-adjusted using the GDP Deflator for Canada. Labour costs are inflation-adjusted using Newfoundland Power's labour inflation rate.

 $^{^{2}}$ (\$70.5 - \$72.9) / \$72.9 = -3.3% reduction in operating costs.

Operating Costs Inflation-Adjusted 2013 to 2022

Newfoundland Power Inc.

Operating Costs 2013 to 2022 (\$000s)

| | | | | | | Labour | |
|----|------|--------|------------|---------|---------------------|-----------|------|
| 1 | Year | Labour | Non-Labour | Nominal | GDP Deflator | Inflation | Real |
| 2 | 2013 | 33.9 | 22.6 | 56.5 | 0.80 | 0.76 | 72.9 |
| 3 | 2014 | 35.5 | 24.1 | 59.6 | 0.81 | 0.80 | 74.1 |
| 4 | 2015 | 33.9 | 23.7 | 57.6 | 0.80 | 0.83 | 70.5 |
| 5 | 2016 | 33.8 | 24.2 | 58.0 | 0.81 | 0.85 | 69.6 |
| 6 | 2017 | 35.7 | 23.9 | 59.6 | 0.83 | 0.88 | 69.4 |
| 7 | 2018 | 35.8 | 24.4 | 60.2 | 0.84 | 0.90 | 68.8 |
| 8 | 2019 | 35.2 | 26.5 | 61.7 | 0.86 | 0.92 | 69.1 |
| 9 | 2020 | 36.5 | 26.9 | 63.4 | 0.86 | 0.95 | 69.7 |
| 10 | 2021 | 36.0 | 27.4 | 63.4 | 0.93 | 0.97 | 66.6 |
| 11 | 2022 | 39.0 | 31.5 | 70.5 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 70.5 |