Section 3: Finance/Fair Return

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Q. Reference: "2025/2026 General Rate Application," Newfoundland Power Inc., December 12, 2023, vol. 1, Evidence, sec. 3.2.8, p. 3-14, Table 3-11, and f.n. 30.

5 6 7 a) Please reconcile footnote 30 to Table 3-11 and provide the calculation to the Energy Supply Cost Variance Account that results in the difference in the Cash Flow Debt Coverage.

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b) Please provide the calculation of the Cash Flow Debt Coverage including and excluding the impact of current energy supply cost variances. Show the impact of the current energy supply cost variances on a separate line with supporting calculations.

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A. a) Table 1 provides the reconciliation of footnote 30 to Table 3-11 and provides the calculation to the Energy Supply Cost Variance Account that results in the difference in the Cash Flow Debt Coverage.

Table 1: Cash Flow Debt Coverage Reconciliation

CFO pre-working capital ¹ (\$000s)	A	2023F 100,320	2024E 82,767	2025E 81,975	2026E 80,614
Energy Supply Cost Variance (\$000s)	$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{E} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{F}$	32,441	36,382	42,073	41,152
Forecasted Purchases (GWh) ²	\mathbf{C}	5,834.9	5,870.0	5,920.7	5,912.5
2023 Test Year Purchases ³ (GWh)	D	5,545.9	5,545.9	5,545.9	5,545.9
Variance (GWh)	$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{D}$	289.0	324.1	374.8	366.6
Wholesale Rate Differential ⁴ (¢/kWh)	\mathbf{F}	11.225	11.225	11.225	11.225
Adjusted Year End Debt ⁵ (\$000s)	\mathbf{G}	777,424	812,374	851,784	897,683
Cash Flow Debt Coverage Cash Flow Debt Coverage	A / G	12.9%	10.2%	9.6%	9.0%
(excluding energy supply cost variance)	(A + B) / G	17.1%	14.7%	14.6%	13.6%

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b) See part a).

See the 2025/2026 General Rate Application Volume 1, Application, Company Evidence and Exhibits, Exhibit 3, page 4 of 9, line 11.

² See the 2025/2026 General Rate Application, Volume 2, Supporting Materials, Tab 3, Customer, Energy and Demand Forecast, Appendix C, page 1 of 1.

See the 2022/2023 General Rate Application, Volume 2, Supporting Materials, Tab 3, Customer, Energy and Demand Forecast, Appendix C, page 1 of 1. 2023 forecast purchases includes actual purchases to June 30th.

Wholesale rate of 18.165 ¢/kWh less 2023 Test Year Unit Energy Cost of 6.94 ¢/kWh.

Net of debt issue costs and includes pension adjustment consistent with Moody's methodology.