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Reference: "2026 Capital Budget Application," Newfoundland Power Inc., June 27, 2025, 2026 Capital Budget Overview, Appendix C, p. 1.

Newfoundland Power does not currently have the software or data necessary to calculate the risk mitigation or reliability improvement values of capital expenditures. Options to derive such values are among the matters being assessed by the Company as part of its ongoing asset management review.

The Capital Budget Application Guidelines (Provisional) outline the requirement for providing values of the risk mitigated per dollar spent for each project and program. Newfoundland Power has not provided risk mitigated per dollar values in its 2026 Capital Budget Application ("CBA"). Noting this, Newfoundland Power has provided risk mitigated values for proposals based on a risk matrix provided within its CBA.

For those proposals for which Newfoundland Power has provided a risk mitigated score, please provide a risk mitigated per million dollars spent using the equation of Risk divided by (budget/1,000,000). Please present this data in a Table similar to that of Table C-2 on page 6 of Appendix C, noting the risk mitigated per million for the proposal with provided risk mitigation scores.

Newfoundland Power does not have the data or software necessary to provide calculations of risk mitigation values of capital expenditures. To comply with the spirit and intent of the Provisional Guidelines, Newfoundland Power conducted a review of Canadian utility practice and subsequently developed a risk matrix methodology. This risk matrix methodology provides reasonable consistency in the communication of risk and allows capital expenditures to be presented in the form of a prioritized list with the level of priority based on the degree of risk mitigation provided.

Newfoundland Power observes that the information requested can be derived using the equation provided, together with the Company's evidence filed in the *2026 Capital Budget Overview*, Appendix C, Table C-2.

For additional information on Newfoundland Power's risk matrix methodology, see the *2026 Capital Budget Application, Schedule B,* pages iii-iv and the *2026 Capital Budget Overview,* Appendix C.

² *Ibid*.