

Schedule D

Q. Expressed as percentages, compare the growth in the rate base from 2001 to 2002 with the following:

- a) growth in number of customers
- b) growth in GWh sold
- c) growth in GWh produced, and
- d) growth in load.

A. Table 1 provides a comparison between the growth in average rate base from 2001 to 2002 with the growth rate in the number of customers, GWh sold, GWh produced and MW of load for the same period.

Table 1 Growth Rate Comparison	
	Growth Rate
Average Rate Base	5.17%
Number of Customers	1.01%
GWh Sold ¹	2.10%
GWh Produced ¹	1.87%
Load (MW) ²	19.28%

¹. The growth rates for GWh sold and GWh produced are based on normalized data.

². Load (MW) reflects Newfoundland Power's peak demand which has not been adjusted for variation due to weather.