

**CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY  
RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S DATA REQUEST NO. 9  
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**EX-09-23**

- Q.** Please explain why there is a higher growth rate in personal income for 2009-2011 projected in attachment 2 to that projected in the CEFC April 1 report? Is this simply a function of the different vintage of the economic forecasts?
- A.** It is true that the Global Insight's growth rate for personal income is somewhat stronger than the CEFC's growth rate. Looking at the all years for which we have forecasts, Global Insight's January 2009 forecast calls for personal income in Maine to grow by 3.0% per annum, 2008-2013. On the other hand, the CEFC's April 2009 forecast calls for 2.7% annual growth. As noted in EX-09-11, the CEFC outlook incorporates a deeper recession than Global Insight anticipated in January.

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