Exhibit CCW-17

## **CAPM Return**

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<u>Line</u>	<u>Description</u>	High Market Risk <u>Premium</u> (1)	Low Market Risk <u>Premium</u> (2)
1	Risk-Free Rate <sup>1</sup>	3.70%	3.70%
2	Risk Premium <sup>2</sup>	7.50%	6.00%
3	Beta <sup>3</sup>	0.69	0.69
4	САРМ	8.84%	7.81%

Sources:

<sup>1</sup> Blue Chip Financial Forecasts; February 1, 2017, at 2.

<sup>2</sup> Duff & Phelps, 2016 Valuation Handbook Guide to Cost of Capital at 2-4, 3-31, and 3-40.

<sup>3</sup> Exhibit CCW-16.