ECO352 FINANCE

9/13/2018 In class activity – calculation of flotation costs for equity or debt

The Sprite Toy Company needs to raise funds for a major expansion of its manufacturing operations. Sprite has determined that it will issue \$100 million of financing operations, but it has not decided whether to issue debt or equity. The company is publicly traded.

- a. Based on the information given in the following table, compute the flotation costs that Sprite would incur if it raises the needed funds by issuing equity only
- b. Based on the information given in the following table, compute the flotation costs that Sprite would incur if it raises the needed funds by issuing straight debt only
- c. If Sprite wants to keep its flotation costs low, which form of financing should it use?

Issue Size (\$ millions)	Bonds ^b		Equity ^c	
	Straight	Convertible	Seasoned Issues	IP0s
Under 10.0	4.4%	8.8%	13.3%	17.0%
10.0-19.9	2.8	8.7	8.7	11.6
20.0-39.9	2.4	6.1	6.9	9.7
40.0-59.9	1.3	4.3	5.9	8.7
60.0-79.9	2.3	3.2	5.2	8.2
80.0-99.9	2.2	3.0	4.7	7.9
100.0-199.9	2.3	2.8	4.2	7.1
200.0-499.9	2.2	2.2	3.5	6.5
500.0 and larger	1.6	2.1	3.2	5.7