

STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN CORPORATIONS

Tuesday, November 26, 2002

MINUTE NO. 36

9:34 a.m. - Room 10

1. **Present:** Mr. Van Mulligen in the Chair and Members Atkinson, Brkich, Forbes (p.m. only), Huyghebaert, Jones, Prebble, Trew and Wall.

Substitutions: Mr. Harper for Mr. Forbes (a.m. only)

Provincial Auditor's Office

Ed Montgomery, Deputy Provincial Auditor

Bashar Ahmad, Deputy Provincial Auditor

Andrew Martens, Principal

Appointed Auditor

Robert E. Watt, Deloitte & Touche

Jamie Wilson, KPMG

2. The Committee resumed its consideration of the annual report of Saskatchewan Power Corporation (SaskPower) and its subsidiaries for the year ending December 31, 2001.

The following officials responded to questions posed by members of the Committee:

John Wright, President and Chief Executive Officer

Rick Patrick, Vice-President, Planning, Environment & Regulatory Affairs

Pat Youzwa, President and Chief Executive Officer, NorthPoint Energy Solutions Inc. and
Vice-President, Customer Services

3. A point of order having arisen regarding the line of questioning undertaken by a member, the Chair ruled as follows:

- That it was out of order to ask Crown officials to comment or provide their viewpoints on policy matters that are before government nor is it appropriate for officials to comment on the advice that they give to cabinet or their ministers. Should the Committee wish to deal with policy issues it would be within the mandate of the committee to call the Minister responsible for that Crown Corporation forward.

4. It was moved by Ms. Jones:

That the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations conclude its review of the annual reports and financial statements of Saskatchewan Power Corporation (SaskPower) and its subsidiaries for the year ending December 31, 2001.

The question being put on the motion, it was carried.

5. At 10:35 a.m., the Committee recessed until 1:34 p.m.
6. The Committee initiated its consideration of the annual report of Saskatchewan Government Insurance (SGI) and its subsidiaries for the year ending December 31, 2001.
The following officials responded to questions posed by members of the Committee:

Larry Fogg, President
Earl Cameron, Vice-President, Claims
Alan Cockman, Vice President, Auto Fund
John Dobie, Vice President, Finance

The following documents were tabled:

CCC 205/24 Saskatchewan Government Insurance: SGI Canada Annual Report dated December 31, 2001.

CCC 206/24 Saskatchewan Government Insurance: SGI Canada Insurance Services Ltd. Annual Report dated December 31, 2001.

CCC 207/24 Saskatchewan Government Insurance: Saskatchewan Government Insurance Superannuation Plan 2001 Annual Report.

CCC 208/24 Saskatchewan Government Insurance: 2001 Saskatchewan Auto Fund Annual Report.

CCC 209/24 Saskatchewan Government Insurance: The Insurance Company of Prince Edward Island Annual Report 2001.

CCC 210/24 Saskatchewan Government Insurance: Coachman Insurance Company Annual Report 2001.

Mssrs. Martens and Ahmad provided a summary of the Provincial Auditor's comments regarding the annual report and financial statements of SGI.

7. It was moved by Mr. Prebble:

That the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations conclude its review of the annual reports and financial statements of Saskatchewan Government Insurance (SGI) and its subsidiaries for the years ending December 31, 2001.

The question being put on the motion, it was carried.

8. It was moved by Mr. Wall:

That this Committee do now adjourn.

The question being put on the motion, it was carried.

9. A 3:16 p.m., the Committee adjourned until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 27, 2002.

Viktor Kaczowski
Committee Clerk

Harry Van Mulligen
Committee Chair