

## **STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES**

**January 9, 2007**

### **MINUTE NO. 41**

**9:00 a.m. – Room 8**

1. **Present:** Ms. Morin in the Chair and Members Addley, Crofford\*, D'Autremont, Duncan, Harpauer, McCall and Morgan\*.

#### **Substituting Members**

Ms. Crofford for Hon. Mr. Wartman

Mr. Morgan for Ms. Harpauer

#### **Other Members**

Ms. Eagles

#### **Provincial Auditor's Office**

Fred Wendel, Provincial Auditor

Judy Ferguson, Deputy Provincial Auditor

Mike Heffernan, Deputy Provincial Auditor

Andrew Martens, Principal

Glen Nyhus, Principal

#### **Appointed Auditors**

Diana Adams, KPMG

John Aitken, Deloitte and Touche

Bruce Willis, KPMG

2. The following document was tabled:

**CCA 224/25 Investment Saskatchewan:** Creation of Victoria Park Capital Inc. ("VPC") (significant transaction).

3. The committee considered the 2004 and 2005 Crown Investments Corporation annual reports, financial statements and related documents.
4. The following Crown Management Board Minister and Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan officials appeared before the committee.

#### Witnesses

Hon. Maynard Sonntag, Minister

Ron Styles, President and Chief Executive Officer

Blair Swystun, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Perry Bellegarde, Vice President, Labour & Aboriginal Initiatives

John Amundson, Corporate Controller

Karen Schmidt, Executive Director, Communications

Kathie Maher-Wolbaum, Special Advisor, Government Relations

5. It was moved by Ms. Harpauer:

That the committee conclude its review of the 2004 and 2005 annual reports, financial statements and related documents for Crown Investment Corporation.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

6. The committee recessed from 10:18 a.m. until 1:35 p.m.
7. The committee considered Chapter 2 (Information Services Corporation) of the *2004 Report of the Provincial Auditor (Volume 1)* and Chapter 14 (Information Services Corporation) of the *2005 Report of the Provincial Auditor (Volume 1)*. Mr. Wendel and Mr. Heffernan provided an opening statement.
8. The following Information Services Corporation Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Mr. Cline, Minister

Mark MacLeod, President and CEO

Bev Bradshaw, Chief Governance Officer and Acting Chief Financial Officer

Catherine Benning, Registrar, Corporate Governance

Ed Desnoyers, Controller, Surveys, Corporate Governance

Grant Bastedo, Director, Public Affairs

Kathy Hillman-Weir, Director, Corporate Governance and General Counsel

Karen Banks, Director, Property Registry

Wayne Adams, Director, Strategy, Geomatics

9. The committee noted compliance with recommendation 1 made at page 35 of Chapter 2 (Information Services Corporation) of the *2004 Report of the Provincial Auditor (Volume 1)* that Information Services Corporation clearly define, document, and communicate its performance measures to staff involved in collecting, processing, and reporting the performance information; and set quantified performance targets and establish systems to collect, process, and report the performance information early in the reporting process.
10. The committee noted compliance with recommendation 2 made at page 36 of Chapter 2 (Information Services Corporation) of the *2004 Report of the Provincial Auditor (Volume 1)* that Information Services Corporation introduce new performance measures and targets to replace outdated ones.
11. The committee noted compliance with recommendation 3 made at page 36 of Chapter 2 (Information Services Corporation) of the *2004 Report of the Provincial Auditor (Volume 1)* that Information Services Corporation use its internal auditor to review the performance measuring systems and verify the results.
12. The committee noted compliance with recommendation 1 made at page 203 of Chapter 14 (Information Services Corporation) of the *2005 Report of the Provincial Auditor (Volume 1)* that Information Services Corporation test its business continuity and disaster recovery plans.

13. It was moved by Mr. D'Autremont:

That the committee conclude its review of the 2004 and 2005 annual reports, financial statements and related documents for Information Services Corporation

The question being put, it was agreed to.

14. It was moved by the Hon. Mr. Addley:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

15. The committee adjourned at 3:57 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 10, 2007.

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Iris Lang  
Committee Clerk

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Sandra Morin  
Committee Chair