STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES Tuesday, December 18, 2007

MINUTE NO. 1 9:37 a.m. – Chamber

- 1. **Present**: Mr. Duncan in the Chair and Members Heppner, McMillan, Reiter, Trew, Weekes and Yates.
- 2. The committee clerk presided over the election of a Chair. Mr. Duncan was nominated for the position. There being no further nominations, it was moved by Mr. Trew:

That Mr. Duncan be elected to preside as Chair of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

3. The Chair presided over the election of a Deputy Chair. Mr. Trew was nominated for the position. There being no further nominations, it was moved by Mr. Weekes:

That Mr. Trew be elected to preside as Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

4. It was moved by Mr. Yates:

That a steering committee be appointed to establish an agenda and priority of business for subsequent meetings, and that the membership be comprised of the Chair and Deputy Chair; and further,

That the steering committee shall meet from time to time as directed by the committee or at the call of the Chair; that the presence of all members of the sub-committee is necessary to constitute a meeting; and that substitutions from the membership of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies be permitted on the steering committee.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

5. It was moved by Mr. McMillan:

That, pursuant to Rule 133(2), the committee authorize the broadcast of its public proceedings.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

6. The following documents were tabled:

CCA 1/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Incremental Equity Injection in Heritage Gas Limited for the second quarter of 2007.

CCA 2/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Subscription Agreement dated April 2, 2007 between SaskEnergy Incorporated and SaskEnergy Nova Scotia Holdings Ltd. Subscription for Shares: Heritage Gas Limited dated April 2, 2007 for \$246,690.

CCA 3/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Subscription Agreement dated June 18, 2007 between SaskEnergy Incorporated and SaskEnergy Nova Scotia Holdings Ltd. Subscription for Shares: Heritage Gas Limited dated June 18, 2007 for \$151,905.

CCA 4/26 Investment Saskatchewan Inc.: Purchase and Sale agreement dated November 30, 2006, between Meadow Lake Pulp Limited Partnership, by its manager and lawful attorney Meadow Lake Pulp Ltd. and Meadow Lake Pulp Ltd. and 6551017 Canada Inc. and Investment Saskatchewan Inc. and 101069101 Saskatchewan Ltd.

CCA 5/26 Investment Saskatchewan: Transactions through HARO Financial Corporation to complete the final closing of the sale of Crown Life Insurance Company to Canada Life Assurance Company.

CCA 6/26 Investment Saskatchewan: Divestiture of Investment Saskatchewan's investment in the Centennial Foods Partnership.

CCA 7/26 Saskatchewan Telecommunications: Notice of incorporation by Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation of Zenon Park Holding Inc.

CCA 8/26 Saskatchewan Telecommunications: Notice of incorporation by Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation of Abernethy Enterprises Inc.

7. The Chair advised the committee that pursuant to Rule 146(1) the Supplementary Estimates for the following ministries and agencies were deemed referred to the committee on December 13, 2007:

Vote 18 Finance

Vote 74 Information Technology Office Vote 33 Public Service Commission

8. The committee considered the Supplementary Estimates for the Public Service Commission.

The following Public Service Commission Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Wayne Elhard, Minister Claire Isman, Chair

9. On motion of Mr. Weekes:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sum:

10. The committee considered the Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Finance.

The following Finance Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions.

Witnesses

Hon. Rod Gantefoer, Minister Doug Matthies, Deputy Minister

11. On motion of Mr. Weekes:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sum:

For Finance\$4,090,000

12. The committee considered the Supplementary Estimates for the Information Technology Office.

The following Information Technology Office Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions.

Witnesses

Hon. Dan D'Autremont, Minister Don Wincherauk, Deputy Minister

13. On motion of Mr. Reiter:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sum:

For Information Technology Office\$43,000

14. It was moved by Mr. Reiter:

That the First Report of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies be adopted and presented to the Assembly on December 18, 2007.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

15.	6. It was moved by Mr. Weekes:	
	That this committee do now adjourn.	
	The question being put, the motion was carried.	
16.	. The committee adjourned at 9:54 a.m. to the call of the Chair.	
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Con	mmittee Clerk	Committee Chair