

STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES

Thursday, April 10, 2008

MINUTE NO. 3

4:10 p.m. – Chamber

1. **Present:** Mr. Dustin Duncan in the Chair and Members Fred Bradshaw*, Michael Chisholm*, Tim McMillan, Frank Quennell*, Kim Trew, Randy Weekes and Kevin Yates.

Substituting Members

Fred Bradshaw for Jim Reiter

Michael Chisholm for Hon. Nancy Heppner

Frank Quennell for Kevin Yates (for consideration of Information Technology Office Estimates)

2. The following documents were tabled:

CCA 14/26 Crown Investments Corporation: Subscription for Units between CIC Economic Holdco Ltd. and Saskatchewan Entrepreneurial fund Joint Venture (September 6, 2007; November 23, 2007; December 10, 2007; February 1, 2008).

CCA 15/26 Crown Investments Corporation: Subscription for Units between CIC Apex Equity Holdco Ltd. and Apex Investment GP Inc. (September 17, 2007; December 20, 2007).

CCA 16/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Gas Plant Joint Venture Acquisition – Kisbey, Saskatchewan (significant transaction).

CCA 17/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Incremental Equity Injection in Heritage Gas Limited for the period June 30, 2007 – February 29, 2008 (significant transaction).

CCA 18/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Share Subscription Agreement between SaskEnergy Incorporated and SaskEnergy Nova Scotia Holdings Ltd. (July 16, 2007; August 17, 2007; September 25, 2007; October 19, 2007; December 3, 2007; January 7, 2007; February 22, 2008).

CCA 19/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Share Subscription Agreement between SaskEnergy Nova Scotia Holdings Ltd. and Heritage Gas Ltd. (July 16, 2007; August 17, 2007; September 25, 2007; October 19, 2007; December 3, 2007; January 7, 2007; February 22, 2008).

CCA 20/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Debt Agreement between SaskEnergy Nova Scotia Holdings Ltd. and Heritage Gas Ltd. dated July 22, 2003.

CCA 21/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Debt Agreement between SaskEnergy Incorporated and SaskEnergy Nova Scotia Holdings Ltd. dated July 22, 2003.

CCA 22/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Share Subscription between Bayhurst Gas Limited and Bayhurst Energy Services Corporation (October 31, 2007).

CCA 23/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Debt Agreement between Bayhurst Gas Limited and Bayhurst Energy Services Corporation (October 31, 2007).

CCA 24/26 SaskEnergy Incorporated: Asset and Share Purchase Agreement between Bayhurst Energy Services Corporation, ATCO Midstream Ltd. and listed vendors (October 15, 2007).

CCA 25/26 Saskatchewan Water Corporation: Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2007.

CCA 26/26 Saskatchewan Transportation Company: Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2007.

CCA 27/26 Information Services Corporation: Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2007.

3. The Chair advised the committee that pursuant to Rule 146(1) the Estimates for the following ministries and agencies were deemed referred to the committee on April 3, 2008:

Votes 12, 18, 82	
175, 176, 177	Finance
Vote 13	Government Services
Vote 74	Information Technology Office
Vote 80	Office of the Provincial Secretary
Vote 33	Public Service Commission
Vote 154	Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation
Vote 152	Saskatchewan Power Corporation
Vote 153	Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation
Vote 140	Saskatchewan Water Corporation
Vote 150	SaskEnergy Incorporated

4. The committee considered the 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
Rory Norton, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Information Services
Richard Murray, Executive Director, Policy and Planning
Troy Smith, Senior Financial Analyst

5. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for the Information Technology Office.
6. The committee recessed from 5:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

7. The committee considered the Estimates for the Ministry of Government Services.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Dan D'Autremont, Minister

Phil Lambert, Acting Deputy Minister

Donald Koop, Assistant Deputy Minister, Accommodation Services Division

Helen Huber, Director, Regina Region, Accommodation Services Areas, Accommodation Services Division

Rob Isbister, Director, Purchasing Branch, Corporate Support Services Division

Shelley Reddekopp, Director, Financial Services Branch, Corporate Support Services Division

8. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for the Ministry of Government Services.

9. It was moved by Mr. Yates:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

10. The committee adjourned at 7:33 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Iris Lang
Committee Clerk

Dustin Duncan
Committee Chair