# STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES Tuesday, April 21, 2009

## MINUTE NO. 17 3:00 p.m. – Chamber

1. **Present**: Dustin Duncan in the Chair and Members Nancy Heppner, Tim McMillan, Jim Reiter, Kim Trew, Randy Weekes and Kevin Yates.

#### **Other Members**

Pat Atkinson

2. The following documents were tabled:

**CCA 99/26 – SaskEnergy Incorporated:** Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

CCA 100/26 - SaskEnergy Incorporated: Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008:

SaskEnergy Incorporated – Consolidated

SaskEnergy Incorporated – Distribution Division

TransGas Limited

Many Islands Pipe Lines (Canada)

Limited Bayhurst Gas Limited

Swan Valley Gas Corporation

Saskatchewan First Call Corporation

SaskEnergy International Incorporated

SaskEnergy Nova Scotia Holdings Ltd.

Heritage Gas Limited

CCA 101/26 – Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation: SaskTel Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

CCA 102/26 – Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation: Saskatchewan Telecommunications Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

CCA 103/26 – Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation: Saskatchewan Telecommunications Pension Plan Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

CCA 104/26 – Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation: Saskatchewan Telecommunications International, Inc. Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

**CCA 105/26 – Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation:** DirectWest Canada, Inc. Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

**CCA 106/26 – Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation:** DirectWest Corporation Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

**CCA 107/26 – Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation:** Hospitality Network Canada Inc. Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

**CCA 108/26 – Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation:** Saskatoon 2 Properties Limited Partnership Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

**CCA 109/26 – Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation:** SecureTek Monitoring Solutions Inc. Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

**CCA 110/26 – Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation:** Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

3. The committee considered the 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

Clare Isman, Chair

Karen Aulie, Assistant Chair, HR Client Service & Support

Rick McKillop, Assistant Chair, Corporate HR Management & Employee Relations

Raman Visvanathan, Executive Director, Employee Service Centre

Mike Pestill, Director, Corporate Services

- 4. The committee recessed from 4:05 p.m. until 4:11 p.m.
- 5. The committee resumed consideration of the Estimates for the Public Service Commission.
- 6. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for the Public Service Commission.
- 7. The committee recessed from 4:57 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- 8. The committee considered Bill No. 87 The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2009.

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

#### Witnesses

Hon. Rod Gantefoer, Minister

Doug Matthies, Deputy Minister

Kirk McGregor, Assistant Deputy Minister, Taxation and Intergovernmental Affairs

Arun Srinivas, Senior Tax Policy Analyst, Taxation and Intergovernmental Affairs

Larry Jacobson, Manager, Corporate Taxes and Incentives Branch, Revenue Division

- 9. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 8, they were agreed to.
- 10. It was moved by Mr. Weekes:

That the committee report Bill No. 87 - The Income Tax Amendment Act, 2009 - without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

11. The committee considered Bill No. 88 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2009.

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

### Witnesses

Hon. Rod Gantefoer, Minister
Doug Matthies, Deputy Minister
Kirk McGregor, Assistant Deputy Minister, Taxation and Intergovernmental Affairs
Arun Srinivas, Senior Tax Policy Analyst, Taxation and Intergovernmental Affairs
Larry Jacobson, Manager, Corporate Taxes and Incentives Branch, Revenue Division

- 12. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 5, they were agreed to.
- 13. It was moved by Mr. Reiter:

That the committee report Bill No No. 88 – The Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2009 – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

14. It was moved by Mr. McMillan:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

15. The committee adjourned at 7:14 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Iris Lang	Dustin Duncan
Committee Clerk	Committee Chair