STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY Thursday, June 14 2007

MINUTE NO. 55 9:04 a.m. – Michelangelo Room, Radisson Hotel, Saskatoon

1. **Present:** Ms. Hamilton in the Chair and Members Chisholm*, Crofford*, Iwanchuk*, Kirsch, Weekes, and Yates.

Substituting Members

Mr. Chisholm for Mr. Stewart Ms. Crofford for Hon. Ms. Higgins Mr. Iwanchuk for Mr. Lautermilch

Committee Officials

Michel Carpentier, Research Officer

- 2. The following document was tabled:
 - ECO 125/25 Canadian Federation of Independent Business: Written submission entitled "Saskatchewan Small Business Owners Say Join TILMA", dated June 8, 2007.
- 3. The committee, pursuant to Rule 146(2), resumed its enquiry into the state of internal trade in Saskatchewan.
- 4. Ms. Cathy Holtslander, representing the Beyond Factory Farming Coalition, addressed the committee and responded to questions. The following document was tabled:
 - **ECO 126/25 The Beyond Factory Farming Coalition:** Written submission entitled "Presentation to the Standing Committee on the Economy TILMA", dated June 14, 2007.
- 5. The committee recessed from 9:38 a.m. until 9:55 a.m.
- 6. Ms. Judie Dyck, representing the Saskatchewan Bio-fuels Development Council, addressed the committee and responded to questions. The following document was tabled:
 - **ECO 127/25 Saskatchewan Bio-fuels Development Council:** Written submission entitled "Presentation to the Standing Committee on the Economy Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT) and the Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement (TILMA) "Saskatchewan Biofuels Industry", dated June 14, 2007.
- 7. The committee recessed from 10:44 a.m. until 11:09 a.m.
- 8. Ms. Shirley Ryan and Mr. Alan Thomarat, representing the Saskatchewan Business Council, addressed the committee and responded to questions. The following document was tabled:
 - **ECO 128/25 Saskatchewan Business Council:** Written submission entitled "Sign on Saskatchewan, It's our Turn", dated June 8, 2007.
- 9. The committee recessed from 12:11 p.m. until 1:28 p.m.

10. The following document was tabled:

ECO 129/25 Jammie Townsend: Written submission dated June 14, 2007.

- 11. Mr. Sid Bildfell and Mr. Gordon Lightfoot, representing SaskCentral, addressed the committee and responded to questions. The following document was tabled:
 - **ECO 130/25 SaskCentral:** Written submission entitled "Saskatchewan Credit Unions: Interprovincial Trade & Financial Services", dated June 14, 2007.
- 12. Ms. Gayle Marteniuk, representing the SGEU Provincial Anti-Privatization Standing Committee, addressed the committee and responded to questions. The following document was tabled:
 - ECO 131/25 SGEU Provincial Anti-Privatization Standing Committee: Written submission dated June 14, 2007.
- 13. Ms. Isabel Muzichuk addressed the committee and responded to questions. The following document was tabled.
 - **ECO 132/25 Isabel Muzichuk:** Written submission entitled "The Trade, Investment, and Labour Mobility Agreement", dated June 14, 2007.
- 14. The committee recessed from 2:53 p.m. until 3:03 p.m.
- 15. Mr. Kim Pollock, representing the United Steelworkers District 3, addressed the committee and responded to questions. The following document was tabled:
 - **ECO 133/25 United Steelworkers District 3:** Written submission entitled "TILMA: A Solution in Search of a Problem or The Chocolate on Evrim Lazar's Pillow", dated June 14, 2007.
- 16. Mr. Mike Carr and Mr. Alan Thomarat, representing the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce, addressed the committee and responded to questions. The following document was tabled:
 - **ECO 134/25 Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce:** Written submission entitled "A Submission on the State of Internal Trade in Saskatchewan", dated June, 2007.
- 17. It was agreed that that committee do now meet in camera for the purpose of discussing the committee's meeting of June 20, 2007.
- 18. The committee adjourned at 4:38 p.m. until Wednesday, June 20, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

Viktor Kaczkowski	Doreen Hamilton	
Committee Clerk	Chair	