STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY Tuesday, March 11, 2008

MINUTE NO. 2 3:02 p.m. - Room 8

1. **Present**: D.F. (Yogi) Huyghebaert in the Chair and Members Darcy Furber, Ron Harper, Jeremy Harrison, Warren Michelson, Laura Ross and Nadine Wilson.

Other Members

Sandra Morin, John Nilson, Len Taylor, Trent Wotherspoon

2. 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 March 10, 2008:

Vote 1, 146	Agriculture
Vote 26	Environment
Vote 16	Highways and Infrastructure
Vote 17	Highways and Infrastructure Capital

3. The committee considered Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Environment.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Nancy Heppner, Minister Alan Parkinson, President, Saskatchewan Watershed Authority Wayne Dybvig, Vice President, Operations Division, Saskatchewan Watershed Authority Bob Carles, Vice President, Stewardship Division, Saskatchewan Watershed Authority

4. The committee concluded its consideration of the Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Environment. On motion of Mr. Harrison:

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

- 5. The committee recessed from 3:31 p.m. until 4:01 p.m.
- 6. The committee considered Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure.

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

<u>Witnesses</u> Hon. Wayne Elhard, Minister John Law, Deputy Minister Ted Stobbs, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services Terry Schmidt, Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations 7. The committee concluded its consideration of the Supplementary Estimates for the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure. On motion of Mr. Harrison:

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

For Highways and Infrastructure\$1,000,000

8. On motion of Mr. Michelson:

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2008 the following sums, which to the extent that they remain unexpended for that fiscal year are also granted for the fiscal year ending on March 31, 2009:

For Highways and Infrastructure Capital \$9,000,000

9. The committee adjourned at 4:37 p.m. until Wednesday, March 12, 2008 at 3:30 p.m.

Viktor Kaczkowski Committee Clerk D. F. (Yogi) Huyghebaert Committee Chair