

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND INFRASTRUCTURE  
May 12, 2005**

**MINUTE NO. 14  
5:50 p.m. – Room 8**

1. **Present:** Mr. Harper in the Chair and Members Allchurch, Borgerson\*, Draude, Huyghebaert, Morin, Sonntag and Trew.

**Substituting Members**

Mr. Borgerson for Hon. Mr. Sonntag (for consideration of Estimates for the Department of First Nations and Métis Relations)

**Other Members**

Mr. Bkrich, Mr. Borgerson, Mr. Hart, Mr. Stewart

2. The committee resumed consideration of the Estimates for the Department of Rural Development.

The following Department of Rural Development Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Clay Serby, Minister  
Louise Greenberg, Deputy Minister  
Debbie Harrison, Director, Co-operative Development and Support  
John Keeler, Director, Investment Programs  
Alan Syhlonyk, Director, Policy and Planning

3. The following document was tabled:

**IAI 8/25 – Department of Rural Development:** Small Business Loans Association Program – list of recipients, dated 5/9/2005.

4. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for the Department of Rural Development.
5. The committee resumed consideration of the Estimates for the Department of First Nations and Métis Relations.

The following Department of First Nations and Métis Relations Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Maynard Sonntag, Minister  
Nora Sanders, Deputy Minister  
Donavon Young, Assistant Deputy Minister  
John Reid, Executive Director, Aboriginal Policy and Operations  
Doreen Bradshaw, Director, Aboriginal Employment Development Program  
Alethea Foster, Director, Communications  
Robert Spellicsy, Director, Gaming, Trust and Grants  
Susan Shalapata Carani, Acting Executive Director, Lands and Resources  
Jennifer Brass, Executive Assistant and Senior Policy Advisor to the Deputy Minister

6. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for the Department of First Nations and Métis Relations.
7. The committee adjourned at 8:28 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

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Margaret A. Woods  
Committee Clerk

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Ron Harper  
Committee Chair