

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

April 27, 2004

MINUTE NO. 2

10:30 a.m. - Room 8

1. **PRESENT:** Mr. Hermanson in the Chair and Members Borgerson, Hagel, Hart, Krawetz, Trew and Yates.

Other Members

Mr. Brkich

Provincial Auditor's Office

Fred Wendel, Provincial Auditor

Brian Atkinson, Assistant Provincial Auditor

Rodd Jersak, Principal

Provincial Comptroller's Office

Terry Paton, Provincial Comptroller

Chris Bayda, Executive Director, Financial Management Branch

2. The committee proceeded to consider Chapter 15 (Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation) of the *2003 Fall Report of the Provincial Auditor (Volume 3)*. Mr. Jersak of the Office of the Provincial Auditor provided an overview of the chapter.

The following Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Ray Clayton, President

Phil Lambert, Vice President and Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Division

Garth Rusconi, Vice President, Accommodation Services Division

Donald Koop, Vice President, Commercial Services Division

3. The committee next considered its role in the appointment process of the Audit Committee.
4. Dr. Morina Rennie, former Chair of the Audit Committee of the 24th Legislature, made an opening statement and then responded to questions.
5. The committee recessed from 11:28 a.m. until 11:31 a.m.
6. The committee resumed its discussion on the Audit Committee. It was moved by Mr. Borgerson:

That the Standing Committee on Public Accounts recommend to the Speaker the reappointment of the original members of the Audit Committee appointed during the 24th Legislature, being

- Mr. Terry Alm, Saskatoon
- Mr. Rob Jaspar, Saskatoon
- Mr. Raymond Hueser, Swift Current
- Mr. Ralph Ottenbreit, Q.C., Regina
- Dr. Morina Rennie, Regina

after consultation with the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

The question being put, it was agreed to unanimously.

7. The committee next considered the broadcasting of its proceedings. Gary Ward, Director of Broadcast Services, made an opening statement and responded to questions from committee members.

It was moved by Mr. Yates:

That the proceedings of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be broadcast on the Legislative Channel during the current session, effective May 4, 2004.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

8. The following documents, received during the intersessional period, were tabled:

PAC 1/25 – Minister of Finance: Government response to the Fourth Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the Twenty-fourth Legislature, dated October 7, 2003.

PAC 2/25 – Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority: Responses to questions raised at the May 28 & 29, 2003 meetings of the committee.

9. The committee adjourned at 11:53 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 4, 2004.

Margaret A. Woods
Committee Clerk

Elwin Hermanson
Committee Chair