STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS November 7, 2006

MINUTE NO. 38 10:30 a.m. - Room 8

1. **PRESENT**: Mr. Hermanson in the Chair and Members Borgerson, Cheveldayoff, Chisholm, Crofford, Iwanchuk. Junor* and Yates*.

Substituting Members

Ms. Junor for Mr. Trew Mr. Yates for Ms. Crofford

Other Member

Mr. Merriman

Provincial Auditor's Office

Fred Wendel, Provincial Auditor Mike Heffernan, Deputy Provincial Auditor Kim Lowe, Principal Regan Sommerfeld, Principal

Provincial Comptroller's Office

Terry Paton, Provincial Comptroller

2. The following document was tabled:

PAC 47/25 Department of Community Resources: Response to question raised at the October 5, 2006 meeting of the committee, re: All dates, minutes and briefing notes from all meetings held between the Department and the Oyate Safe House Board of Directors, dated November 3, 2006.

3. The committee resumed consideration of the Report to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts regarding the Oyate ataya WaKanyeja OwicaKiyapi Inc.

The following Department of Community Resources officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Duncan Fisher, Deputy Minister Shelley Whitehead, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy Bob Wihlidal, Assistant Deputy Minister, Client Services Darrell Jones, Assistant Deputy Minister, Central Administration & Housing Lynn Allan, Regional Director Southwest Region Marilyn Hedlund, Executive Director, Child & Family Services Division Don Allen, Executive Director, Finance and Property Management Division

Wynne Young, Deputy Minister, Department of Learning

4. During consideration of the report, it was moved by Mr. Yates:

That the Deputy Minister of the Department should answer questions on behalf of the Department unless he refers the question to another official.

A debate arising, the committee recessed from 10:20 a.m. until 10:25 a.m.

- 5. The committee resumed consideration of the motion. The question being put, it was agreed to.
- 6. The committee resumed consideration of the Report to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts regarding the Oyate ataya WaKanyeja OwicaKiyapi Inc.
- 7. The committee adjourned at 12:05 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 14th.

Margaret A. Woods Committee Clerk Elwin Hermanson Committee Chair