

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
May 30, 1985

MINUTE NO. 15
May 30, 1985 at 8:45 a.m.

1. **PRESENT:** Mr. Shillington in the Chair, and Members Katzman, Meagher, Muller, Weiman, Young

Provincial Auditor's Office

W. Lutz, Provincial Auditor
F. Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor
B. Atkinson, Deputy Provincial Auditor
G. Neill, Counsel to Provincial Auditor
J. Hunt, Deputy Provincial Auditor
G. Erickson, Deputy Provincial Auditor

Comptroller's Office

G. Benson, Deputy Comptroller

2. An *in camera* briefing session regarding today's agenda was held.
3. The Committee considered an opinion from the Clerk respecting the definition of the year under review. (PAC 27-84/85).
4. The Committee agreed that it requires direction and clarification from the Legislature respecting "the year under review" and that it would include the concern in the Committee's seventh report.
5. **Public Hearing: Saskatchewan Transportation Company (continued)**

John Lyzaniwski, Manager, Accounting, STC
Ken Skilnick, Lawyer, Whitmore & Company
Peter Whitmore, Lawyer, Whitmore & Company
Dave Sentes, Vice President, Finance & Administration, STC
Darrell Lowry, Vice President, Operations, STC
Gerry Karst, Manager, Transportation, STC

6. The following documents were tabled in the Committee:

PAC 27/84-85 — Committee Terms of Reference — definition of year under review

PAC 28/84-85 — Saskatchewan Transportation Company certificate of payment to Tyndall Development Corporation Ltd.

7. Saskatchewan Transportation company: Hearing concluded.

8. **Public Hearing: Department of Agriculture (continued)**

Witnesses

Jack Drew, Deputy Minister
Henry Zilm, Assistant Deputy Minister
Wes Mazer, Director, Administrative Services Branch
Ken Petruic, Department Accountant

9. The Committee instructed the Deputy Minister of Agriculture to provide the Committee with the sample size and percentage of error in the pre-audit of the Farm Purchase Program.
10. Department of Agriculture: Hearing concluded.
11. **Public Hearing: Saskatchewan Government Insurance**

Witnesses

Donald W. Black, President and Chief Executive Officer
Bill Heidt, Vice-President, Finance
Larry Fogg, Vice-President, Saskatchewan Auto Fund
Dan Kuss, Legislative Advisor

12. Saskatchewan Government Insurance: Hearing concluded.
13. **Public Hearing: Saskatchewan Power Corporation**

Witnesses

E.B. Campbell, President
H. Jim, Vice-President, Finance
L. J. Neilson, Divisional Controller, Electric
K. D. Wellman, General Counsel and Secretary

14. Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Hearing concluded.
15. The Committee adjourned at 11:00 a.m. until Wednesday, June 5, 1985 at 8:45 a.m. in Room 10.

Agenda

1. 9:00 a.m. — Department of Finance
2. Consideration of the draft of the committee's seventh report to the Legislature.

PROGRESS

The following departments, boards, commissions, agencies, or crown corporations have been selected for committee scrutiny, pursuant to issues raised in the 1984 Provincial Auditor's Report the Public Accounts of the Province of Saskatchewan and the respective agency's annual reports for the year under review. The anticipated hearing section is subject to change.

HEARINGS CONCLUDED

Western Development Museum
Department of Culture and Recreation
Department of Parks and Renewable Resources
Kelsey Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences
Department of Advanced Education and Manpower
Saskatchewan Computer Utility Corporation
Saskatchewan Teachers' Superannuation Commission
Saskatchewan Pork Producers Marketing Board
Saskatchewan Sheep and Wool Marketing Commission
Prairie Agricultural Machinery Institute
Department of Highways and Transportation
Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation
Department of Revenue and Financial Services
Department of Social Services
Saskatchewan Housing Corporation
Department of Rural Development
Saskatchewan Transportation Company
Department of Agriculture
Saskatchewan Government Insurance
Saskatchewan Power Corporation

ANTICIPATED HEARINGS

Department of Finance