STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS October 20, 1987

MINUTE NO. 13

October 20, 1987 at 8:00 a.m.

1. PRESENT: Mr. Tchorzewski in the Chair, and Members Lyons, Martin, Martens, Muirhead, Neudorf, Rolfes, Saxinger, Van Mulligen.

Provincial Auditor's Office

W.G. Lutz, Provincial Auditor

G.F. Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor

- J. Hunt, Deputy Provincial Auditor
- B. Atkinson, Deputy Provincial Auditor

Comptroller's Office

- G. Kraus, Comptroller
- C. Bayda, Financial Analyst
- M. Robinson, Director of Systems Management Branch
- 2. The following documents were tabled in Committee:

PAC 22/86-87 — Human Resources, Labour & Employment (Indian and Native Affairs) — information requested by the Public Accounts Committee at its October 6 meeting.

PAC 23/86-87 — Saskatchewan Housing Corporation — information requested by the Public Accounts Committee at its October 8 meeting.

PAC 24/86-87 — Statement by the Provincial Auditor regarding the Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation hearing on September 29, 1987.

- 3. PUBLIC HEARING: DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
 - J. Vicq, Acting Deputy Minister
 - B. Jones, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Investment and Financial Services Division
 - D. Baldwin, Associate Director, Finance and Administration Branch, Investment & Financial Services Division
 - D. McCaslin, Associate Director, Investment Services Branch, investment & Financial Services Division
 - B. Smith, Executive Director, Public Employees Benefits Agency
 - B. Van Sickle, Executive Director, Administration Division
 - E. Smith, Director, Financial Services Branch, Administration Division
- 4. The following document was tabled:

PAC 25/86-87 — Position Paper on Summary Financial Statements and Highlights of main amendments to The Provincial Auditor Act.

- 5. The Department agreed to provide the full study on the use and preparation of summary financial statements done by Professor Hopkins of the University of Regina for the department.
- 6. A Point of Order was raised by the Member for Rosthern stating that the Member for Regina Victoria had used unparliamentary language when he referred to "lies" by the Minister of Finance.

The Chairman ruled the point well taken. Thereupon Mr. Van Mulligen withdrew the said remark.

- 7. HEARING ADJOURNED: Department of Finance.
- 8. The Committee adjourned at 10:25 a.m. until Thursday, October 22 at 8:00 a.m.

Agenda:

Department of Finance (continued)

PRIORITY LIST OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES TO BE CALLED

Finance (1984-85 and 1985-86) including Revenue and Finance Services (1985-86) and Municipal Employee's Superannuation Commission (1985-86)

Justice (1984-85 and 1985-86)

Agricultural Credit Corporation (1985-86)

Agriculture (1985-86)

Consumer and Commercial Affairs (1985-86)

Health (1985-86)

Social Services (1985-86)

Supply & Services (Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation) (1985-86)

Westank Industries — SEDCO (1985-86)

Saskatchewan Power Corporation (1985-86)

Economic Development and Trade (1985-86)

Saskatchewan Crop Insurance (1985-86)

HEARINGS CONCLUDED

Crown Management Board

Education (1985-86) including Advanced Education and Manpower (1984-85 and 1985-86)

Indian & Native Affairs Secretariat (1984-85 and 1985-86)

Saskatchewan Forest Products (1984-85)

Saskatchewan Housing Corporation (1985-86)

Tourism and Small Business (1984-85)