STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS February 3, 1988

MINUTE NO. 19

February 3, 1988 at 9:30 a.m.

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

Provincial Auditor's Office

- W. Lutz, Provincial Auditor
- G. Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor
- J. Hunt, Deputy Provincial Auditor
- B. Atkinson, Deputy Provincial Auditor

Comptroller's Office

- T. Paton, Acting Provincial Comptroller
- C. Bayda, Financial Analyst
- D. McMillan, Financial Analyst
- 2. A briefing was given on Committee expenses:

Resolved, That the maximum accommodation allowance per night without receipts be \$25 per night as is the case with other legislative committees. (Muller)

- 3. An in camera briefing session was held on the Agricultural Credit Corporation of Saskatchewan.
- 4. PUBLIC HEARING: AGRICULTURAL CREDIT CORPORATION OF SASKATCHEWAN
 - N. Ballagh, President
 - M. Machin, Vice-President, Administration
- 5. It was moved by Mr. Lyons:

That the Agricultural Credit Corporation of Saskatchewan provide to the members or the Committee on Public Accounts the names of those individuals or corporations who received fifty thousand or more dollars from the Production Loan Program in the year 1985-1986.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived.

6. It was moved by Mr. Martens:

That in view of the recognized need for confidentiality of Agricultural Credit Corporation clients, the confidentiality of the Agricultural Credit Corporation clients be retained.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

- 7. The Committee requested the Agricultural Credit Corporation to provide the following information:
 - (a) of the 73 loans over \$125,000 how many were provided to corporations and how many were provided to individual farmers;
 - (b) at March 31, 1986, how much money was still outstanding of the loans that were made in excess of the amounts for which applicants were actually eligible;

- (c) the number of clients who received both the Production Loan and the Livestock Cash Advance.
- Hearing Completed: Agricultural Credit Corporation, 1985-86
- An in camera briefing session was held on the Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation.
- 10. PUBLIC HEARING: SASKATCHEWAN CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION
 - H. Zilm, President
 - J. Walters, Vice President, Administration
 - J. Persson, Manager, Human Resources
 - R. Osika, Manager, Field Operations
- 11. Hearing Completed: Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation, 1985-86
- 12. An in camera briefing was held on Saskatchewan Power Corporation
- 13. PUBLIC HEARING: SASKATCHEWAN POWER CORPORATION
 - H. Jim, Vice President Finance
 - L. Ruddell, Corporate Controller
 - K. Wellman, General Counsel
 - J. Fink, Assistant to the President
- 14. Hearing Completed: Saskatchewan Power Corporation, 1985-86
- 15. An in camera briefing was held on the Department of Supply and Services (SPMC).
- 16. PUBLIC HEARING: DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY AND SERVICES AND SASKATCHEWAN PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CORPORATION
 - O. Cutts. President
 - R. Dedman, Senior Vice President, Procurement and Buy Saskatchewan
 - S. Raab, Vice President, Finance and Administration
 - L. Handford, Director, Financial Planning, Finance and Administration
- 17. The Committee requested Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation to provide the following information:
 - (a) with respect to item 20.17 of the Provincial Auditor's 1986 report, provide a copy of the purchase order for the purchase of the used aircraft;
 - (b) with respect to the Public Accounts for Supply and Services for 1985-86 provide a breakdown of the expenditures under the following headings in Subvote 1 MLA Other Allowances and Support Staff, Travelling Expenses, Contractual Services (Other) Provisions and Business Expenses;
 - (c) a list of the vacant space in Government Buildings in Regina;
 - (d) for the following companies provide the names of the principal shareholders and/or executive officers
 - L & C Management Ltd. Parkway Office Holdings

R.H. Holdings Ratner Realty Ltd. Ratner Holdings Weyburn Square Developments Ltd. Yorkton Broadcasting Co. Ltd. 48719 Saskatchewan Ltd. 571424 Saskatchewan Ltd.

- (e) for Les Jardins Ste. Foy Ltd., provide the names of the principals and reason for the rental of the furniture involved;
- (f) for Olfland Land Co., provide the names of the principals and the location of the building being rented;
- (g) for 1985-86, provide a list of the grants paid in lieu of taxes to the City of Regina and to the City of Saskatoon
- 18. Hearing Completed: Department of Supply and Services and Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation, 1985-86
- 19. The Committee adjourned at 4:15 p.m. until Thursday, February 4 at 9:30 a.m.

Agenda:

9:30 a.m. In camera briefing
Westank
10:30 a.m. In camera briefing
Department of Social Services
2:00 p.m. In camera briefing
Department of Economic Development and Trade

PRIORITY LIST OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES TO BE CALLED

Social Services (1985-86) Westank Industries — SEDCO (1985-86) Economic Development and Trade (1985-86)

HEARINGS CONCLUDED

Agricultural Credit Corporation (1985-86)

Agriculture (1985-86)

Crown Management Board

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

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

Health (1985-86)

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

Justice (1984-85 and 1985-86) including Consumer and Commercial Affairs (1985-86)

Saskatchewan Crop Insurance (1985-86)

Saskatchewan Forest Products (1984-85)

Saskatchewan Housing Corporation (1985-86)

Saskatchewan Power Corporation (1985-86)

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

Tourism and Small Business (1984-85)