STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS November 23, 1992

MINUTE NO. 8 Morning Sitting

1. **PRESENT**: Mr. Swenson in the Chair and Members Anguish, Cline, Kujawa, Muirhead, Sonntag and Van Mulligen

OFFICIALS:

Provincial Auditor's Office

Fred Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor Garnet Rathgeber, Auditor

Comptroller's Office

Gerry Kraus, Comptroller Terry Paton, Director, Financial Management Branch

Others:

Robert Cosman, Legislative Counsel and Law Clerk

2. The following documents were tabled:

PAC 47/2-22 — Saskatchewan Government Insurance: Response to Committee's letter of June 10 with respect to the *Special Report by the Provincial Auditor*, April 21, 1992

PAC 48/2-22 — Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation (Dome Advertising): Response to Committee's letter of June 10 with respect to the *Special Report by the Provincial Auditor*, April 21, 1992

PAC 49/2-22 — Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation (Blue Wave Advertising Ltd.): Response to questions raised in the PAC meeting August 4, 1992

PAC 50/2-22 — Provincial Auditor: Private auditor's report on the Provincial Auditor

PAC 51/2-22 — Saskatchewan Economic Diversification: Response to Committee's letter of June 10 with respect to the *Special Report by the Provincial Auditor*, April 21, 1992

PAC 52/2-22 — Ron Dedman: Response to letter of invitation dated August 7 to appear before the PAC Committee

PAC 53/2-22 — Saskatchewan Housing Corporation: Response to Committee's letter of June 10 with respect to the *Special Report by the Provincial Auditor*, April 21, 1992

PAC 54/2-22 — Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation: Response to question raised by Ms. Haverstock at the PAC meeting July 21, 1992

PAC 55/2-22 — Saskatchewan Health: Response to Committee's letter of June 10 with respect to the Special Report by the Provincial Auditor, April 21, 1992

PAC 56/2-22 — Government Progress Report on Implementation of recommendation of the Gass Commission

PAC 57/2-22 — Harry Van Mulligen's letter of resignation as Vice Chair of the PAC dated Nov. 18/92

PAC 58/2-22 — Provincial Auditor: Summary of Recommendations in the Special Report by the Provincial Auditor

3. The Chair read into the record, a letter dated November 18, 1992, from Mr. Van Mulligen, resigning from the position of Vice-Chairman of the Committee. Mr. Van Mulligen moved:

That Doug Anguish be elected Vice Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, Mr. Anguish was elected Vice-Chair.

- 4. The Committee resumed its consideration of the Special Report by the Provincial Auditor, April 21, 1992.
- 5. The Committee recessed from 10:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Afternoon Sitting

6. **PRESENT**: Mr. Swenson in the Chair and Members Anguish, Cline, Haverstock, Kujawa, Muirhead, Sonntag and Van Mulligen

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7. The Committee resumed its consideration of the Special Report by the Provincial Auditor, Saskatchewan, April 21, 1992.

Witness: Phil Kershaw, President, Dome Advertising

Mr. Kershaw made a statement and answered questions.

- 8. At 1:50 p.m., the Committee recessed until 2:15 p.m.
- 9. Witness: Ron Dedman, former President of Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation.
- 10. Mr. Dedman made a statement and answered questions.
- 11. The Comptroller answered questions.
- 12. It was agreed that the Committee hold hearings from February 1 to 5, 1993 to consider the Annual Report of the Provincial Auditor for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1991.
- 13. The Committee adjourned at 3:40 p.m. until Tuesday, November 24 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 10.
 - Agenda: Special Report by the Provincial Auditor, April 21, 1992 (continued)

Witness: Officials from SaskTel

Rick Swenson Chairman