

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

January 19, 1994

MINUTE NO. 20

9 a.m. — Room 10

1. **PRESENT:** Mr. Martens in the Chair and Members Cline, Crofford, Haverstock, Kujawa, McPherson, Serby, Sonntag, and Van Mulligen

Other Member:

Mr. Goohsen

Provincial Auditor's Office

Wayne Strelloff, Provincial Auditor

Brian Atkinson, Executive Director

John Hunt, Executive Director

Provincial Comptroller's Office

Gerry Kraus, Provincial Comptroller

Terry Paton, Director, Financial Management Branch

2. The Committee resumed consideration of the Annual Report of the Provincial Auditor for the year ended March 31, 1992 and the Public Accounts, 1991-92.
3. It was agreed, That the Committee proceed in camera.
4. It was agreed, That the Committee proceed in public.
5. The Committee proceeded to the consideration of Chapter 27 — **Saskatchewan Power Corporation.**

Witnesses appearing on behalf of Saskatchewan Power

Kenneth H. Christensen, Vice-President, Finance

Larry D. Kram, General Counsel

6. The Provincial Auditor and witnesses answered questions.
7. It was moved by Mr. McPherson:

That the annual report of the Northern Enterprise Fund Inc. (NEFI) be included as part of the annual report of Saskatchewan Power Corporation to ensure the Members of the Legislative Assembly have an accounting of NEFI before the Legislature.

The question being put, the motion was negated on the following division: Y:1 N:5.

8. It was moved by Mr. Van Mulligen:

That the hearing on **Saskatchewan Power Corporation** be concluded subject to recall, if necessary, for further questions.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

9. The Committee recessed from 11:15 a.m. until 11:35 a.m.
10. The Committee proceeded to the consideration of Chapter 13 — the **Department of Energy and Mines.**
11. **Witnesses from Department of Energy and Mines**
Pat Youzwa, Deputy Minister
Ray Clayton, Assistant Deputy Minister, Finance and Administration
Don Stirling, Director, Mineral Revenue
Lynn Jacobson, Director, Personnel and Administration
12. The Provincial Auditor and witnesses answered questions.

13. It was moved by Mr. Sonntag:

That the hearing on the **Department of Energy and Mines** be concluded subject to recall, if necessary, for further questions.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

14. The Committee recessed from 12:10 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Afternoon Sifting

15. **PRESENT:** Mr. Martens in the Chair and Members Cline, Crofford, Haverstock, Kujawa, McPherson, Serby, Sonntag, and Van Mulligen

Other Member:

Mr. Goohsen

Provincial Auditor's Office

Wayne Strelloff, Provincial Auditor

Brian Atkinson, Executive Director

John Hunt, Executive Director

Mobashar Ahmad, Operation Director

Ed Montgomery, Operation Director

Provincial Comptroller's Office

Gerry Kraus, Provincial Comptroller

Terry Paton, Director, Financial Management Branch

16. It was agreed, That the Committee proceed in camera.

17. It was agreed, That the Committee proceed in public.

18. The Committee proceeded to the consideration of Chapter 12 — **Department of Education.**

19. Witnesses from Department of Education

Arleen Hynd, Deputy Minister

Robin Johnson, A/Executive Director, Finance and Operations

John Janzen, Manager, Student Financial Assistance

Brady Salloum, A/Executive Director, Student Support Services

John McLaughlin, Executive Director, Teachers' Superannuation Commission

20. The Provincial Auditor and witnesses answered questions.

21. It was moved by Mr. Cline:

That the hearing on the **Department of Education** be concluded subject to recall, if necessary, for further questions.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

22. The Committee recessed from 3:15 p.m. until 3:50 p.m.

23. The Committee proceeded to the consideration of Chapter 11 — **Department of Economic Diversification and Trade.**

24. Witnesses from Economic Diversification and Trade

Robert Perrin, A/Associate Deputy Minister

Sharon Roulston, Director, Internal Operations Branch

Marg Moran McQuinn, Manager, Communications Unit Corporate Affairs Branch

Wendy Gold, A/Director, Tourism Marketing Unit Tourism Branch

Bryce Baron, Director, Sector Development Unit Diversification Branch

25. The Provincial Auditor and witnesses answered questions.

26. It was moved by Mr. Cline:

That the hearing on the **Department of Economic Diversification and Trade** be concluded subject to recall, if necessary, for further questions.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

27. The Committee adjourned at 4:45 p.m. until Thursday, January. 20, 1994 at 9 a.m. in Room 10.