

MR. ROGERS, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 themselves. So that this was seen by both Energy, Mines,
2 and Resources and by the Coal Association of Canada as a
3 significant violation of Government's own policies.

4 Q. That had just been enacted or adopted --

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. -- or recognized? I take it that each of these
7 issues might be raised through various departments; for
8 example, the violation of the policy on Government
9 support of mining initiatives would come through Energy,
10 Mines, and Resources. Were other departments carrying
11 the retainer, if you will, for some of these other
12 issues?

13 A. Well, yes. The Department of Transport was
14 certainly wishing to make clear the risk to the Sydney-
15 Truro line that I mentioned.

16 The Department of the Environment had a whole range
17 of concerns they wished to ensure were committed for
18 resolution in any final contracts.

19 The Department of Finance didn't want any part of
20 this because it was going to cost a lot of money.

21 A.C.O.A., for the same reason, wanted to be sure all
22 these questions were answered, but also, obviously, had
23 concerns that they were going to have to pay part of the
24 freight.

25 My own Department had the carriage of the case, so