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1 down too, "It will be gone." And then they said, "But we
2 should force the Provincial Government to pay \$100 to
3 \$300 million, and if they would agree to pay \$100 to \$300
4 million, then we wouldn't be concerned." But we know
5 what's going on in the rail lines in Canada. Short lines
6 are shut down right across the country. They're
7 preparing CN to be sold, privatized, and it had nothing
8 to do with the Westray coal project. But, again, to put
9 these -- this information, one-to-three hundred million
10 dollar demand to be made in the province.

11 You know, could you really call that a professional
12 way to deal with an issue? To take an issue and make
13 those kind of comments and then blame it on a coal mine
14 in Pictou County?

15 And, in fact, these people, if they didn't force Mr.
16 Comeau and Mr. Buchanan to sign a letter saying, and, Mr.
17 Merrick, you have a copy of this letter, saying that, "No
18 coal from Pictou County would ever cross the causeway."
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20 causeway."

21 If they didn't do that, the sensible thing would be
22 to have had coal blended because the Cape Breton coal is
23 low in ash. The Pictou County coal is high in ash. And
24 there should have been some Cape Breton coal come to
25 Trenton 5 plant and blended with the Pictou coal. And