MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

- 1 understood a contract purchase of 710,000 tonnes has been
- 2 committed by the Power Corporation."
- 3 Would it be a fair assumption for us to make that
- 4 the requirement for this commitment by the Province was
- first present or proposed in this time frame, and I'm
- 6 talking there the end of June, early July?
- 7 A. Well, he says, "a guarantee up to one million
- 8 tonnes, " so it must have been.
- 9 Q. Well, he's referring to meetings that he had with
- 10 you the previous week to discuss developments on the
- 11 financial needs. And then he says, "As to the support of
- 12 the Province of Nova Scotia, I want to confirm the
- 13 commitments which Westray will require from the
- 14 Province." And I'm assuming from that that at those
- meetings on June 29th and 30th would have been probably
- 16 the first time that this requirement was being discussed
- 17 with the Province. Would that be fair?
- 18 A. I don't know.
- 19 Q. Can you recall it going back any earlier than that?
- 20 A. I really can't tell you that.
- 21 Q. All right. In any event, we see a letter from you,
- 22 if you turn over to page 9, a letter from you to Robert
- de Cotret, dated July the 8th, '88.
- 24 A. Uh-huh.
- 25 O. This would have been a matter of four or five days