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1 look at the Trenton plant not far from here, and I got
2 involved in that. And we stuck our neck out and gave
3 them guarantees. And if Premier Regan, former Premier
4 Regan didn't get involved in that, there would be 1200
5 men not employed today. So, yes, there was political
6 involvement in it.

7 Amherst Aerospace, we made a deal -- I made a bad
8 deal. And, you know, it was to try to create jobs up
9 there, but we made political decisions in terms of saying
10 we're going to do that. It wasn't a good business deal.
11 And after that, I called Ken Rowe up and said, "Go up."
12 I personally called him. Well, today, there's a new
13 plant there and people are employed.

14 And Sydney Steel, it was at the end of the line. It
15 was at the end of the line. There was no one in Cabinet,
16 except the Premier, that would continue to support that.
17 People just couldn't -- when we were looking for health
18 care and education, they just couldn't see there was
19 going to be any support any more for Sydney Steel. And I
20 became Minister. I got on the Board. I worked very,
21 very closely with the Steelworkers Union, which I might
22 say, acted in a very responsible manner, took some very
23 difficult decisions, and it's still going. And I still
24 believe it can be viable.

25 But if you want to look at a project that I put my