

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 Q. Let me pursue this with you just for a moment.
2 Somebody made the point, I think, yesterday, that
3 complaints of safety violations at Westray that were
4 surfacing somehow lost their proper perspective, I guess,
5 because they were becoming politicized by the debate that
6 was being generated by a variety of people in this
7 province, and that, therefore, they became political
8 issues as opposed to safety issues any more at Westray.
9 And perhaps, in a sense, lost their warning ability that
10 way.

11 And you yourself have said that possibly the delay
12 that was encountered here may have been a factor in this
13 whole thing. So you've given us an example of where the
14 system works the way it's supposed to work, and has
15 worked with good results. And we see examples where
16 perhaps it causes harm, considerable harm at times.

17 How do we draw the line? How do we balance it? Do
18 we take the good with the bad? Do we have projects that
19 sometimes work and sometimes we injure people? Or is
20 there some guideline here, some line that you shouldn't
21 cross?

22 A. Well, I've never met anyone elected in any -- from
23 any party in the Legislature in my 20 years that would
24 support a project if they thought someone was going to be
25 injured or killed in it.