

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 A. Well, I would think there would be some importance
2 to it. You sign a contract. The Power Corporation has a
3 plant, and they wanted to test their equipment. By mid-
4 1991, yes, I'm sure that was a factor.

5 Q. All right. Let me just finish the paragraph. He
6 reports: "I put the question directly to Peter as to
7 what were the chances he thought that the Westray
8 application would have of receiving the Prime Minister's
9 attention during the week of January 15th. Peter said
10 that it was unfortunate that the matter was attended to
11 by -- was not attended to by Mulroney when Derek Burney
12 and he were pushing it before Christmas, and that he had
13 no direct talks with Stanley Hartt on the timetable for
14 discussion with Prime Minister. But he said he felt that
15 chances were good that the application would receive the
16 attention from the Prime Minister next week, although he
17 said quite possibly..." et cetera, et cetera.

18 It sounds there not so much that the Prime
19 Minister's office was merely monitoring this and
20 attempting to avoid taking a position one way or the
21 other, but that there was some active decision-making
22 process in the Prime Minister's office. Can you help me
23 with that at all?

24 A. Well, I don't believe that's the way it was. And
25 Mr. Rogers was dealing directly with the Prime Minister's