

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 reasonable solution.

2 Q. Did you indicate to Mr. Boutilier any of the
3 negative consequences if he didn't send that letter?

4 A. I don't know what I said to him. We certainly -- we
5 certainly argued about the effort by DEVCO to scuttle
6 this project. It was clearly a DEVCO/Pictou issue. It
7 wasn't on safety. It wasn't about anything else. I
8 thought that was unfair, so we certainly talked about
9 that.

10 Q. Are you saying that your conversation could be
11 described, at least in portions, as an argument?

12 A. I don't know if an argument or not, but we -- I
13 think maybe this particular conversation was one that was
14 reasonable. I don't know. I talked to Ernie more than
15 once, so --

16 Q. But can you recall on -- if not on this occasion,
17 any occasion in which you would have pointed out to him
18 the negative consequences if DEVCO didn't disengage the
19 two issues, one from the other?

20 A. I'm not sure what I said to him back in 1988, or '90
21 or in that time period.

22 Q. Would you have threatened him that if that wasn't
23 done, DEVCO would no longer sell coal anywhere on the
24 mainland?

25 A. That's just -- that's just nonsense because we