

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MAYOR PORTER

1 A. I don't remember any protests by Dr. Laffin. He was  
2 in the House prior to me being there, and after I  
3 arrived, I don't remember any protests, but it could have  
4 been. I just don't recall it.

5 Q. Well, Mr. Cameron, yesterday you mentioned that you  
6 had a role in arranging contracts for Pioneer Coal in  
7 Westville.

8 A. That's not what I said either, Mr. Porter.

9 Q. Well, I'm sorry, I misinterpreted that then.

10 A. What I said was that in the context of the concern  
11 that somehow we were going to take away the \$100,000 or  
12 100,000 tonne contract with Nova Construction, I said  
13 there was never any intent to take that contract away.

14 In fact, I lobbied with PICORD, and I had letters of  
15 PICORD and others that urged the Power Corporation to  
16 give him a full -- a firm contract so he could go ahead  
17 and build a wash plant based on that. Before that, they  
18 were just taking it as a need basis. And he was  
19 concerned about making an investment of a wash plant on  
20 an as-needed basis.

21 So I remember PICORD and the community saying, "Look  
22 we can have some permanent jobs here, and we want some  
23 support to lobby for a permanent contract for Nova  
24 Construction." That was in the context it was given.

25 Q. Mr. Cameron, did you ever witness the clouds of coal