

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MAYOR PORTER

1 A. Well, it seemed to be. Everything that happened was
2 out in the paper the next day, so I don't think you could
3 call it a secret.

4 Q. I see. Okay. Would you agree that in something as
5 important as this that secrecy could be just as damaging
6 as any other obstruction?

7 A. I'm not sure what you're getting at Mr. Porter. I
8 don't quite understand --

9 Q. Well --

10 A. -- your question.

11 A. -- I think there was a great -- a great area of
12 suspicion surrounding this whole -- how this whole
13 project was structured.

14 Q. Well, that's what the inquiry is looking at, Mr.
15 Porter. I don't think there was suspicion or secret. It
16 was very, very open, very often read about in the paper.
17 So I don't agree that it was a secret.

18 A. Mr. Cameron, I think I asked this question before
19 but I'd ask it --

20 A. Well, try again.

21 Q. -- again. What residual benefit would remain when
22 this coal is removed from the --

23 A. Well, Commissioner --

24 Q. -- Town of Stellarton?

25 A. -- you ruled on that before, would you --