

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. ROBERTS

1 A. I'm sure that comments were made more than once,
2 yes.

3 Q. And you have, as you said, I think, maintained a
4 regular -- regular --

5 A. No, I --

6 Q. -- relationship with him? You've called him from
7 time to time?

8 A. No, I wouldn't say "regular." If I wanted to -- if
9 I wanted information, I would call him and ask him if he
10 could give me an answer where I might find something.

11 Q. Okay. Now --

12 A. Because I knew I was going to be coming to this
13 Inquiry, and I wanted to get as much information as
14 possible.

15 Q. Now I'll put it to you, sir, that another similarity
16 between Mr. Phillips' public statements on the causes of
17 the explosion and what you've testified to here is that
18 neither of you has mentioned excessive coal dust in the
19 mine.

20 A. Oh, I think that the explosion was combination of
21 methane --

22 Q. Okay.

23 A. -- methane explosion and coal dust.

24 Q. All right, so we accept that then?

25 A. I do.