

MR. ROGERS, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 tactic or a rebuttal in order to ensure I didn't raise
2 that topic again. So it was specific to the -- to that
3 issue and that topic.

4 Q. Uh-huh.

5 A. And I didn't generalize it more than I already knew
6 that he was very anxious to see this project proceed.

7 Q. All right. So that's the stage that we're at in
8 July of '89. Let me take you to the next document which
9 is on page 61. This is a memorandum to you from a Mr.
10 Fred Bennett who would be in your Department, I take it?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And he makes the statement that he's been in touch
13 with somebody at the Coal Division at E.M.R. He
14 indicated that as a result of the attached article
15 indicating potential technical problems with the Westray
16 mine, E.M.R. would be having another look at the
17 technical risks of the project. I don't have the article
18 that was attached, but there was clearly here a
19 suggestion that they take another look at the technical
20 risks. Do you know what that was about?

21 A. No, I can't remember, and I don't have the article
22 in any other documents that -- I certainly phoned Bennett
23 immediately I got this and said he did the right thing,
24 and that if they -- if they got problems, they better --
25 they better get them up on the table and damn quickly.