

MR. ROGERS, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 Federal Government will do this deal."

2 Fourth paragraph, "Don spoke to Premier Buchanan
3 again about a Provincial deal with Westray. The Premier
4 is still concerned about such a deal because there is a
5 by-election coming up in Cape Breton. Don stressed to
6 the Premier that it does not make sense to put scrubbers
7 on Point Tupper when they can burn Westray's lower-
8 sulphur coal. I told Don that the bottom line is that if
9 N.S.P.C. does not burn our coal at Point Tupper, we will
10 sell the 400,000 tonnes to New Brunswick which will allow
11 New Brunswick to benefit from burning our coal."

12 I got the impression from that Phillips, at least,
13 if not Curragh, was concerned that this was -- this
14 wrinkle about the Nova Scotia Power Corporation contract
15 possibly holding up the Westray deal, might, in fact,
16 cause it not to go ahead and that they began to look at
17 seeing if the Province itself would give the kind of
18 financial assistance to Westray. Do you know anything
19 about this?

20 A. I don't even know what a "Westray/Provincial
21 agreement" would be about. It would be pure speculation
22 on my part that they were talking about some kind of
23 substitute financial support from the Province.

24 I never agreed that we were going to do this tour of
25 -- to visit the mine site on Trenton 6 with Don Cameron.