MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MAYOR PORTER

- 1 dust rolling over the main street in Westville?
- 2 <u>COMMISSIONER</u> Mr. Porter, you must keep your questions
- 3 relevant to the terms of reference of this Inquiry. And
- 4 I've done that with your counsel on numerous occasions.
- 5 MR. PORTER Very good. I'll try to confine myself to
- 6 that. Can you tell us when it was arranged that both the
- 7 Plymouth site and the strip mine would be an ongoing
- 8 operation, the two sites at the same time, within
- 9 government?
- 10 A. Pardon?
- 11 Q. Can you tell me when it was decided, within
- 12 government, that the two sites, one in Plymouth and one
- in Stellarton, would be an ongoing operation?
- 14 A. Well, I thought I answered that earlier,
- 15 Commissioner. When Suncor came here, that was a concern.
- 16 They wanted to have the rights to all the coal in the
- 17 area. Placer wanted the same thing. Curragh wanted the
- 18 same thing. With the exception, I believe, that they had
- 19 a little bit less in Westville. So it was always the
- whole area.
- 21 O. But Mr. Cameron, can you tell us how this
- 22 information was given to the public and when it was given
- 23 to the public?
- 24 A. Well, I don't know if there was any public
- 25 announcement or not, but it was -- Suncor started in