MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MAYOR PORTER

- 1 MAYOR PORTER Well, then the financial value and the
- 2 financial benefits of this are not a part of the Terms of
- 3 Reference of this Inquiry either, is that my -- am I to
- 4 understand that?
- 5 <u>COMMISSIONER</u> The strip mine in Stellarton has nothing
- 6 to do with the Terms of Reference, Mr. Porter. I've
- discussed this on numerous occasions with your counsel,
- 8 as Mr. Merrick has, and I'm not going to use this Inquiry
- 9 to delve into matters other than those covered under the
- 10 Terms of Reference of this inquiry. Now that has been
- 11 made clear throughout the piece.
- 12 MAYOR PORTER Okay, fine. In yesterday's evidence there
- was -- would you agree that the -- you indicated there
- 14 was a great degree of pretence on all sides in the
- political scene surrounding this operation?
- 16 A. I'm not sure I used those exact words, but clearly
- 17 there was a political swirl around this whole project for
- 18 quite some time.
- 19 Q. Yes. Would you agree that there was a great degree
- 20 of secrecy in many of the very important features in this
- 21 whole game plan?
- 22 A. I don't think there was many secrets. Everything
- 23 that was happening was read in the paper every day, so I
- don't think you could keep a secret that way. So --
- 25 O. So the paper would be the --