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the damages being done to distant interests. We today understand the inappropriateness of such control mechanisms and I commend the United States for its control at source requirements in its new source performance standards for sulphur dioxide emissions from thermal power plants. I would like to see these extended to nitrogen oxides, especially in view of the projections for emissions of that pollutant. However, the real challenge is to apply the same concept to existing

sources. I am confident that when the American people understand what they are doing to their neighbours and to themselves, they will respond to the challenge with the same determination they brought to bear ten years ago near the beginning of what some call the environmental era. There is still time to save some lakes and to reduce some of the other effects of acid rain to which I have referred. But there is not much time. We should have started years ago.

...We in Canada have started in earnest the great task of controlling acid rain. We invite the United States to do the same.

News briefs

The Department of National Defence has established a group to review the report of the Task Force on the Unification of the Canadian Forces. The review group had been promised by Defence Minister Gilles Lamontagne after he had tabled the Task Force report in the House of Commons, May 2. The group is expected to complete its report by the end of August 1980.

Canadian Pacific Investment Ltd. changed its name and split its stock recently after showing yet higher profits in the first quarter of 1980. The new name is Canadian Pacific Enterprises Ltd., which is intended to reflect its active management role, Ian Sinclair, chairman and chief executive officer, told the annual shareholders' meeting. First-quarter profit was \$136.3 million, or \$2.07 a common share, a 62-percent jump from \$84 million, or \$1.38 a share, from the first three months of 1979. The largest gains were shown by oil and gas, metal mining, and forest products subsidiaries.

AEL Microtel Ltd. of Vancouver has been awarded a \$5.5-million contract to

provide a microwave communications system for the 2,375-mile (3,800 kilometre) gas pipeline being built for Petroleum Mexicanos (Pemex), Mexico's national oil company. AEL Microtel, a wholly-owned subsidiary of British Columbia Telephone Co. of Vancouver, will provide microwave and multiplex equipment for voice and data transmission along the pipeline, which will run along Mexico's east coast from Reynosa in the north to Villahermosa in the south, with branches to Mexico City and Monterey. AEL Microtel also designed the system.

The British Columbia Government has invested \$35 million in the federal Export Development Corporation which extends credit to foreign buyers purchasing Canadian goods. Finance Minister Hugh Curtis said the move is an excellent short-term investment for the province.

The Canadian International Development Agency, will provide up to \$150,000 to Aviation Planning Services of Montreal to carry out a program development study of maintenance and overhaul facilities for Garuda airlines at Cengkareng International Airport in Jakarta, Indonesia. Total capital cost of the new Jakarta facility is \$150 million. Canada could supply up to one-third of the necessary equipment and services for the facility. Cengkareng will be the site for operations of Garuda International Airways, Indonesia's national airline. The airline is currently based at Kamorayan Airport which is deteriorating rapidly and expected to be closed down in 1983.

Alcan Aluminium Ltd. of Montreal has signed an agreement with Instituto Nacional de Industria, the Spanish Government's industrial development agency, to

provide Alcan's "technology and operating resources" to Spain's largest aluminium producer. Alcan said the agreement will facilitate plans to increase its holdings in Empresa Nacional del Aluminio SA (Endasa), the Spanish aluminum company in which the Spanish Government has a majority holding. Alcan has opened a public bid for 1,367,292 Endasa shares or 16.7 per cent of Endasa not owned by it or the Spanish development agency. Alcan, before the bid held 2,154,802 Endasa shares or about 26 per cent of the stock outstanding.

Malaysian Airline Systems has awarded a contract worth about \$12 million to CAE Electronics Ltd. of Montreal to develop and manufacture two aircraft flight simulators for flight crew training, one for the McDonnell Douglas DC-10-30 and another for the Boeing 737. The simulators will be delivered to the airline's flight training centre at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia early in 1982.

Mitel Corporation of Ottawa has signed two licencing pacts with Marconi Co. Ltd. of Britain and the British Post Office worth more than \$3 million during the first 12 months of the agreements. The agreements allow Marconi and the British Post Office to manufacture and further develop a Mitel process used to produce integrated circuits.

Four University of British Columbia (UBC) faculty members have been awarded Guggenheim Fellowships for 1980. The awards announced by the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation in New York, are made on the basis of "demonstrated accomplishment in the past and strong promise in the future". They range in value from \$16,000 to \$25,000 and enable recipients to pursue specific research while on study leave from a university without having to make a financial sacrifice. Chemistry professors David Dolphin and David Frost, mathematics professor Robert Miura and music professor Dimitri Conomos received the awards.

Brascan Limited and John Labatt Ltd. of Toronto announced that they had agreed to sell their 90 percent interest of Cervejarias Reunidas Skol-Caracú S.A., to Companhia Cervejaria Brahma of Brazil for about \$45 million (U.S.). Skor-Caracú operated seven breweries in Brazil and has about 14 per cent of the market. Brahma is one of the major Brazilian breweries and has about 52 per cent of the market.

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