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Agriculture, through the pesticides branch, with an inspection of the sale use of particular chemicals. But the decision is nevertheless taken by the province as to where it will spray, in what concentration and in what frequency.

Mr. McCain: But they respect, pour recommencer une pulvérisation pretty much.

Mr. Seaborn: Occasionally there is the case where they do, indeed, take advice from the federal government but the ultimate responsibility is theirs.

Mr. Tobin: I was interested in what Mr. McCain said, that there is inherent conflict between environment and forestry is more theoretical than practical in actual fact.

Mr. Seaborn: I do not think it is theoretical. I think it is part of the total balancing of diverse uses of the natural resource which one always has to have, whether one takes it within a department or within a government or within a country. There are conflicting—

Mr. Oberle: Being faced by one person is what we are arguing. We have no argument with the problem you have—on one side or the other, and let the dialogue be carried on and let the scientists tell us what is right, but I do not want you or the minister to go to bed at night and balance these things all by yourself.

The Chairman: Now we are getting into a whole new debate on something else I would think.

Mr. McCain: Across and separate industry, some debate.

The Chairman: I would like to thank the witnesses and on that note, perhaps another day we can clear it up.

Our next meeting is Thursday. It will be the subcommittee and said rate for those who are interested. The full committee will meet again on Friday with representatives of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union at 9:30 a.m. in Room 371, West Block.

The committee is adjourned.