

Order Paper Questions

● (1730)

[Translation]

Madam Speaker: I declare the motion carried.
Motion agreed to.

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[English]

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 4,638 and 4,648.

[Text]

CNR—EMPLOYEES AT THE PAS

Question No. 4,638—**Mr. Murphy:**

1. How many staff, broken down by job categories (a) were situated in The Pas two years ago (b) are now situated in The Pas by the Canadian National Railways?
2. Were any of the positions transferred from The Pas to Winnipeg and, if so (a) how many (b) for what reason?
3. Were any of the positions abolished and, if so (a) how many (b) for what reason?
4. Does CNR intend to close all dispatching offices between Saskatoon, Saskatchewan and Armstrong, Ontario with the exception of the one in Winnipeg, Manitoba and, if so (a) how many transfers are projected and how many jobs will be lost (b) what is the rationale for the decision?

Mr. Jesse P. Flis (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): The management of Canadian National Railways advises as follows:

1. Job categories	(a) Jan. 1980	(b) Dec. 1982
Police	2	2
Clerical	31	25
Operating	88	82
Dispatching	10	10
Engineering	117	109
Total	248	228

2. No.

3. Yes. (a) 20. (b) 12 positions were eliminated because of technological change, with benefits being made available under the Job Security Agreement to those affected. In addition, eight positions were lost because of a decline in business.

4. It is CN's intention to consolidate all dispatching into Winnipeg with the transfer of The Pas dispatching on April 24, 1983. In late 1984, it is planned to transfer the dispatching function from Saskatoon to Winnipeg.

(a) The Pas

Positions transferred

—4 regular dispatchers
—3 relief dispatchers

Three positions will remain at The Pas as operator positions.

Saskatoon

Positions transferred

—12 regular dispatchers
—13 relief dispatchers

All 25 positions will be transferred to Winnipeg.

(b) The rationale for these changes is to provide a much improved utilization of relief train dispatchers at an annual savings in excess of \$1 million, through the elimination of duplication of staffs (both supervisory and train dispatchers). In addition, maintenance costs for facilities, janitorial service and other incidental expenses will be eliminated.

METRIC COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Question No. 4,648—**Mr. Greenaway:**

1. What was the (a) total (b) per unit cost of producing the Ninth Report of the Metric Commission of Canada for the period ending March 31, 1982?
2. Was the report printed on high-gloss paper and, if so (a) on what basis was it chosen (b) who in the Commission was responsible for the selection of the paper?

Mr. David Berger (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): 1. (a) \$57,552.50; (b) \$4.80.

2. Yes. (a) Supplied by the printer, at no extra cost, as a substitute for the requested but unavailable low-gloss paper. (b) Not applicable.

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[English]

QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, if question No. 4,525 could be made an order for return, this return would be tabled immediately.

Madam Speaker: Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

[Text]

CROWN CORPORATIONS

Question No. 4,525—**Mr. Siddon:**

What are the names of all Crown corporations established under federal jurisdiction and on what date was each established?

Return tabled.

[English]

Mr. Smith: Madam Speaker, I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

Madam Speaker: The questions enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered. Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.