

## Order Paper Questions

**Hon. Michel Côté (Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion):** 1. (a) From January 1, 1986 to March 1, 1987, the Cape Breton Development Corporation incurred legal costs for the following:

(i) cases brought by various unions before the Canada Labour Relations Board seeking extension of representation rights for certain employee classifications: cost of \$54,792.48;

(ii) action brought by the Cape Breton Development Corporation with regard to illegal work stoppages: cost of \$4,413.76;

(iii) actions brought by the Cape Breton Development Corporation under Section 118 of the Canada Labour Code to cause consolidation of various bargaining units: cost of \$9,084.08.

(b) In each of these actions, the Cape Breton Development Corporation was represented by the legal firm of McInnes, Cooper and Robertson.

2. Yes, and the Cape Breton Development Corporation was represented by the legal firm of McInnes, Cooper and Robertson.

## CAPE BRETON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION—CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS

Question No. 125—**Mr. Murphy:**

In 1986, was the Cape Breton Development Corporation able to meet all of its contractual commitments to supply coal and, if not, for what reason?

**Hon. Michel Côté (Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion):** During the fiscal year 1986/87, the Cape Breton Development Corporation was not able to meet 86,975 tonnes of contractual commitments due to the unavailability of the right quality coal. Geological conditions at the Lingan colliery were the main reason for this shortfall.

(in tonnes)	Thyssen Carbometals Co. (New York)	O.A. Mueller (Germany)
Contract	150,000	120,000
Actual Shipment	100,543	92,482
Shortage	49,457	27,518

In addition, the Cape Breton Development Corporation was unable to ship some 60,000 tonnes of coal to Ciment Indépendant du Québec, which could not take the full contracted amount of 120,000 tonnes because of a strike at the cement plant.

## CAPE BRETON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION—MINE DEVELOPMENT

Question No. 126—**Mr. Murphy:**

For each of the next five years, what is the Cape Breton Development Corporation's plans for mine development?

**Hon. Michel Côté (Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion):** The Cape Breton Development Corporation plans to have three collieries operating during each of the next five years, these being: Lingan, Prince and Phalen, the latter which became operational in May, 1987.

Current international market conditions of coal oversupply and declining prices make further expansion plans not feasible at this time. A second access tunnel was completed at Donkin-Morien in February, 1987, and the tunnels will be maintained for future access as required. The high sulphur content will also make this coal resource quite difficult to market.

Substantial on-going capital funds of between \$29 to \$44 million will be invested in each of the next five years to maintain the operating capacity of the existing three collieries and other surface infrastructure.

Should market conditions improve, the Cape Breton Development Corporation could consider increasing the production capacity of its existing collieries or, in the longer-term, bringing another colliery into production such as Donkin-Morien.

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[Translation]

## QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

**Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, if Question No. 122 could be made an order for return, this return would be tabled immediately.

**Mr. Speaker:** The questions enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered. Is it the pleasure of the House that Question No. 122 be deemed to have been made an order for return?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

[Text]

## ACTUARIAL VALUATIONS

Question No. 122—**Mr. Gauthier:**

1. From 1952 to the present (a) what has been the annual real rate of interest assumed in the actuarial valuations that have been carried out of the Public Service Superannuation Account (PSSA), the Canadian Forces Superannuation Account (CFSA) and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Account (RCMPSA) (b) what has been the basis of these assumptions (c) what have been the financial consequences, in actuarial terms, of any changes made in the assumption of this factor?

2. For the same years (a) what has been the annual real rate of salary increases resulting from salary revisions assumed in the actuarial valuations that have been carried out of the PSSA, CFSA and RCMPSA (b) what has been the basis of these assumptions (c) what have been the financial consequences, in actuarial terms, of any changes made in the assumption of this factor?

3. For the same years (a) what has been the average of retirement assumed in the actuarial valuations that have been carried out of the PSSA (b) what has been the basis of these assumptions (c) what have been the financial consequences, in actuarial terms, of any changes made in the assumption of this factor?

4. As of March 31, 1987, what is the actuarial surplus that would be realized by the PSSA, CFSA and RCMPSA if the assumption changes mentioned in Parts 1 to 3 had not been made?

Return tabled.