

*By Mr. Connolly:*

Q. Mr. Dixon, would you say something about the available supply of gas for this line from Alberta? Could you tell us how much you think it might be?—A. In my opinion there will be abundance of gas from Alberta in increasing amounts in the next thirty years and far more gas than there is now in fifty years. There has been very little development in Alberta on gas because there is no market. All the drilling practically has been done in search of oil. It is remarkable that such large volumes of gas have been discovered where there is such a very limited local market for it. I think we will be able to prove when we go before the board in Alberta that there is an abundant supply of gas indicated there for an extremely long period of time, both for export and for local use.

*By Mr. Smith:*

Q. How many trillion feet do you figure proven reserves now, or perhaps you would rather not tell me now?—A. I figure in what you would call really proven, on which people have differences of opinion, that there is somewhere in the order of six or seven trillion, but the indicated reserves from a bunch of scattered wells is greatly in excess of that.

Q. The last I heard was six and three-quarter trillion. Did you hear that Dr. Hume of the Dominion government was making a new survey and will have a report on it ready in about a month?—A. I have heard he was going to.

*By Mr. Adamson:*

Q. Before this committee adjourns, I want to make one suggestion to you, sir, and to the committee, which I think will be helpful and that is this: we have had a rather definite discussion on the possible markets. Now, you have spent a quarter of a million dollars and you have unquestionably made quite an extensive survey of your market and I think tomorrow it will assist the committee if you come and give some specific idea on your present markets or potential markets so that the committee will be informed on that question.—A. I can give it to you right now if you wish.

Q. It is three minutes to six and I think we will be adjourning in a minute or two.

Mr. MOTT: I would like to make a motion at this time to the effect that we adjourn until 11:00 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Mr. GOODE: Before that motion is put I want to clear up one point. Do you think, Mr. Dixon, the penalty in the lower mainland market area would be a million dollars per year differential between the all Canadian route and the all American route?

The WITNESS: Somewhere around there, yes.

*By Mr. Murray:*

Q. What would the saving be at Vancouver below the present prices of gas to the consumer there?—A. That is very difficult to answer categorically. They take a very small amount of gas now, on account of it being artificial gas, but the price of the gas to the ultimate consumer will be something like a third.

Q. A saving of a third?—A. Maybe a great deal more and if you figure that over a large size market, it will be an enormous saving.

The CHAIRMAN: The meeting will be adjourned until 11:00 o'clock tomorrow morning.