

APPENDIX VIII

Letter dated December 6, 2000 from Premier Pat Duncan to

Deputy Minister Angus Robertson



Office of the Premier
Box 2703, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6



December 6th, 2000

Angus Robertson
Deputy Minister of
Economic Development
Government of Yukon
Box 2703
Whitehorse, Yukon
Y1A 2C6

Dear Mr. Robertson,

Re: Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Act

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of a potential conflict of interest that I have in the Department of Economic Development.

I verbally disclosed this conflict of interest to my Cabinet colleagues in May, 2000 after I was sworn into office as the Premier and as a Cabinet Minister of the Government of Yukon.

My brother, Gordon Duncan, is the sole owner and operator of Total North Communications Ltd. ("Total North"). Total North's expertise is in the area of wireless communications technology. My husband, Daryl Berube, is the manager of the wireless division of Total North.

Gordon Duncan also owns a 50% interest in Total Point Inc. ("Total Point"), and a 50% interest in GS Energy Systems Inc. ("GS").

Neither Daryl nor I have any ownership interest in Total North, Total Point or GS.

Total Point has developed a product line of low FM Transmitters that combines digital voice storage, remote access control and FM Transmitter technology.

GS is working on a proposal with Yukon Development Corporation and its subsidiary, Yukon Energy Corporation to study the prospects for a hydrogen project in the Yukon.

Due to my responsibilities as the Minister of Economic Development, there may be the appearance of a conflict of interest if I, as a Minister, participate in any discussions regarding the development of wireless communications or communications infrastructure in the Yukon Territory.



09
19
Debbie Hoffma
Oct 1, 2001
Debbie Hoffma

Therefore, I must formally advise you that I will exclude myself from participating in any debate or other consideration, and from making any representation to another Member or Minister if it involves communications technology or communications infrastructure development in the Yukon Territory.

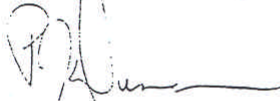
I have asked Minister Pam Buckway to act in my place when questions or considerations arise that concern the development of communications or involve business relations with Gordon Duncan in either his personal or corporate capacity.

I have asked Minister Buckway to act on my behalf because she has the knowledge and the background to deal with communications technology and infrastructure development. In addition, Minister Buckway is responsible for the "Connect Yukon" project that was transferred from Government Services to Community and Transportation Services.

Finally, please ensure that you refrain from all reference to dealings between the Government of Yukon and Total North, Total Point, GS or Gordon Duncan in his personal or corporate capacity in your dealings with me as the Minister of Economic Development.

Thank you very much for your assistance and co-operation.

Sincerely,



Pat Duncan,
Premier

cc. Minister Pam Buckway