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2 COURT: QUEEN'S BENCH OF ALBERTA

3 JUDICIAL CENTRE: EDMONTON

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5 IN THE MATTER OF THE TRUSTEE ACT, R.S.A. 2000,
6 c.T-8 as amended

7 IN THE MATTER OF THE SAWRIDGE BAND INTER VIVOS
8 SETTLEMENT CREATED BY CHIEF WALTER PATRICK TWINN,
9 OF THE SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND, NO. 19, now known as
10 SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION, ON APRIL 15, 1985
11 (The "1985 SAWRIDGE TRUST")

12 APPLICANTS: ROLAND TWINN, CATHERINE TWINN, WALTER
13 FELIX TWIN, BERTHA L'HIRONDELLE and
14 CLARA MIDBO, as TRUSTEES FOR THE 1985
15 SAWRIDGE TRUST

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17 QUESTIONING ON AFFIDAVIT

18 OF

19 PAUL BUJOLD
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1 PAUL BUJOLD, SWORN AT 10:00 A.M., QUESTIONED BY

2 MS. HUTCHISON:

3 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Good morning, Mr. Bujold. How are
4 you?

5 A I am good.

6 Q Just a few initial questions, Mr. Bujold. Am I
7 pronouncing your name correctly?

8 A Yes, you are actually.

9 Q You are the Paul Bujold who swore the Affidavit dated
10 August 30th, 2011?

11 A Yes.

12 Q September 12th, 2011?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And September 30th, 2011 in the Court of Queen's Bench
15 Action Number 1103 14112?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Thank you. And is it your understanding that you have
18 the authority to bind the 1985 Sawridge Trust with your
19 evidence today?

20 A Yes, I do.

21 Q Now I understand, Mr. Bujold, that you are the CEO of
22 both Sawridge Trusts?

23 A That is right.

24 Q So we have a 1986 Trust and a 1985 Trust, and
25 collectively they are known as the Sawridge Trusts?

26 A Trusts, yeah.

27 Q Are you also the Trust administrator and program

1 manager?

2 A Yes.

3 Q You are, okay. When did you start as CEO?

4 A The 14th of September, 2009.

5 Q And do you know who held that position prior?

6 A There wasn't anybody before.

7 Q Okay. It was just the trustees prior to that?

8 A That is right.

9 Q And did you start the role of Trust administrator and
10 program manager at the same time?

11 A Yeah, everything started simultaneous.

12 Q And could you just give me a general idea of what your
13 duties, your job description is for all three of those
14 positions?

15 A Okay. For the Trust administration I advise the
16 trustees, I prepare the minutes for the meetings, and
17 the agenda, along with our chair. I administer the
18 accounts and I provide payouts for beneficiaries.

19 For the program manager I create programs that are
20 benefits to the beneficiaries, and advise the trustees
21 on the creation of those benefits, and then I get their
22 approval for policies to govern the various benefits.

23 Q Okay.

24 A As the chief executive officer I am basically
25 responsible for the management of all the affairs of
26 the Trust at the direction of the trustees. So I relay
27 to the accountants, to the legal counsel, to institute

1 actions when it is necessary.

2 Q Thank you. Are you also the principal management
3 officer under the Sawridge Financial Administration
4 Act, or do you know?

5 A I don't know.

6 Q Let me actually take you to one of the documents that
7 your counsel provided to me recently. Sorry, I
8 apologize, Mr. Bujold, the Financial Administration Act
9 is on your web site, or on Sawridge's web site.

10 MS. BONORA: Is that the Sawridge First Nation
11 web site?

12 Q MS. HUTCHISON: First Nation web site. So as far
13 as you know you are not the principal management
14 officer under the Administration Act?

15 A No, I don't work for the band.

16 Q At all?

17 A At all. So I have no relationship to the First Nation.

18 Q Okay. That answers that question, that is great.

19 A Okay. Nor do the Trusts.

20 Q Do you hold any other roles or positions with the
21 Trusts that we haven't talked about?

22 A No.

23 Q Just those three?

24 A That is right.

25 Q Okay. Preliminaries done, Mr. Bujold. Just a couple
26 of things. I suspect just based on all of the
27 shortened terminology that we have already adopted in

1 the Affidavit and in the material, I am going to be
2 using short versions of longer terms throughout the
3 examination. If I use one of those terms and you don't
4 understand what I am referring to, will you ask me for
5 clarification?

6 A I will absolutely.

7 Q Wonderful. And if I ask you a question you just don't
8 understand, you will ask me for clarification?

9 A Same.

10 Q Great. And if I ask you a question that you need to
11 look at documents or some sort of paperwork to refresh
12 your memory, will you stop me and ask to do that?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Perfect. Okay. Speaking of paperwork, I have one
15 quick question for you. In the style of cause in this
16 action there is reference to the Sawridge Indian Band,
17 No. 19?

18 A Yes.

19 Q In paragraph 6 of your September 12, 2011 Affidavit
20 there is reference to Sawridge Band No. 454?

21 A That is right.

22 Q Are there two different designations for the band?

23 A No, we don't know where the 19 comes from. It showed
24 up in legal documents and it shows up in the Trust
25 documents, but it was never a number that referred to
26 the First Nation.

27 Q Okay.

1 A It has always been 454.

2 Q Okay.

3 A So maybe at some time in the distant past 19 was the
4 number that was assigned by the federal government, but
5 it hasn't shown up anywhere else, and the Chief and
6 Council of the band have told me that they don't know
7 where that number comes from.

8 Q So as far as you know it is Sawridge Indian Band No.
9 454?

10 A That is right.

11 Q Okay. Thank you. Mr. Bujold, going to your Affidavit
12 sworn on August 30th of 2011, if you have a copy of
13 that available?

14 A M-hm.

15 Q I see in that Affidavit, and I am looking particularly
16 at paragraphs 3 through 5, you have attached deeds of
17 settlement for the 1982 Trust, the 1985 Trust, and the
18 1986 Trust?

19 A That is right.

20 Q I am assuming based on the time that you started with
21 the Trust you didn't have any direct or personal
22 involvement with the Trust being established?

23 A None.

24 Q Okay. So anything that you know about the
25 establishment of the Trust is from your review of
26 documentation or talking to other individuals connected
27 with Sawridge or the Sawridge Trusts?

1 A That is correct.

2 (Discussion off the record.)

3 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, just looking at the
4 1982 Trust to begin with, can you help me a bit with, I
5 am just looking at the names of the trustees in the
6 first 1982 Trust. Walter Patrick Twinn, Walter Felix
7 Twin, and George Twin?

8 A Right.

9 Q Do you know what the relationship was between those
10 three individuals? Were they brothers, cousins?

11 A Well, Walter Patrick Twinn is a cousin to Walter Felix
12 Twin.

13 Q Okay.

14 A And a brother to George Twin.

15 Q Okay. And is it your understanding that at the time
16 the 1982 Trust was created Walter Patrick Twinn, Walter
17 Felix Twin, and George Twin were the only members of
18 Chief and Council for Sawridge First Nation?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Okay. And then when we turn to Exhibit D which is the
21 1985 Trust, am I correct in understanding that Walter
22 Patrick Twinn, George V. Twin, and Samuel G. Twin were
23 the councillors of Sawridge First Nation in 1985?

24 A That is right.

25 Q Okay. And what was the relationship as far as you know
26 between Walter Patrick Twinn and Samuel G. Twin?

27 A They were brothers as well.

1 Q Okay. And just out of curiosity, any idea why the Twin
2 name is spelt with two N's in some places and one in
3 others?

4 A Yes. Walter Patrick Twinn and Walter Felix Twin had
5 the same name.

6 Q Okay.

7 A And so it caused confusion and so they added a double N
8 on Walter Patrick Twinn's name, even though -- because
9 he never went by Walter Patrick, he went by Walter.
10 And Walter Felix actually started going by Walter
11 Felix, so everybody knows him as Walter Felix Twin, but
12 the name, just so that there is no confusion, is spelt
13 differently.

14 Q Thank you, that is very helpful. And the George V.
15 Twin that is referred to here in the 1985 Trust is the
16 same, that is the George Twin as referred to in the
17 1982 one?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Okay. Turning to the 1986 Trust, which is Exhibit C to
20 your Affidavit, I see that the trustees for that Trust
21 are Chief Walter P. Twinn, Catherine Twinn and George
22 Twin?

23 A Yes.

24 Q So George again is Walter Patrick's brother?

25 A Yes.

26 Q Catherine Twinn was Walter Patrick's wife at that time?

27 A That is right.

1 Q Was she also a member of Chief and Council at that
2 time?

3 A No.

4 Q Has she ever been a member?

5 A Never.

6 Q Never been on council?

7 A Never.

8 Q Okay. If we could just flip to your September 12th,
9 2011 Affidavit for a moment, paragraph 3, where you
10 list the five trustees of the 1985 Trust?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Bertha L'Hirondelle, Clara Midbo, Catherine Twinn,
13 Roland C. Twinn, and Walter Felix Twin, are those still
14 the trustees as of today's date?

15 A No.

16 Q Who are the current trustees?

17 A Walter Felix Twin resigned the 21st of January of this
18 year, 2014.

19 Q Okay.

20 A And was replaced by Everett Justin Twin, single N Twin.

21 Q And sorry, Everett Justin?

22 A He goes by Justin, but his legal name is Everett,
23 E-V-E-R-E-T-T.

24 Q So that would be the same Justin Twin that is currently
25 a member of Chief and Council for Sawridge First
26 Nation?

27 A That is right.

1 Q Okay. And so I understand that Walter Felix Twin also
2 resigned from the Membership Review Committee?

3 A I understand that. It is not -- we don't know who sits
4 on that committee anymore.

5 Q Okay. So in terms of Walter Felix Twin's resignation
6 from the Trust, did he give any reasons for his
7 resignation?

8 A He was aged and ill. He had just had major surgery.

9 Q Sorry to hear that.

10 A Yes.

11 Q Now just so that I can try to get a bit of a sense of
12 the trustees, then. Bertha L'Hirondelle was Walter
13 Patrick Twinn's sister, or is his sister?

14 A Right.

15 Q Clara Midbo is also his sister?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Catherine Twinn is his widow?

18 A Right.

19 Q And Roland C. Twinn, was that Walter Patrick's son?

20 A Yes.

21 Q And Walter Felix Twin, when he was a trustee, was
22 Walter Patrick's brother?

23 A Cousin.

24 Q Cousin, right. And what relationship, if any, did
25 Everett Justin Twin have to Walter Patrick?

26 A Justin is the son of Vera Twin, Vera McCoy as she is
27 known now, but she was Vera Twin, and I think she is

1 the niece of Walter Patrick and Bertha and Clara.

2 Q Okay.

3 A So that makes Justin their --

4 Q That is okay.

5 A -- nephew once removed.

6 Q We will figure that out.

7 A Okay.

8 Q But Vera was Walter Patrick's niece?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Do you know who her mother was?

11 A Pauline.

12 Q Twin?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And Pauline was one of Walter Patrick's sisters?

15 A Sisters.

16 Q Okay. Now I understand the other current member of
17 Chief and Council, and there are only three members of
18 Chief and Council, correct?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Is Winona Twin?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And what is her relationship to either Walter Patrick
23 or --

24 A She is Justin's sister.

25 Q Okay.

26 A But they were raised by different people.

27 Q Okay. But by birth they are brother and sister?

1 A Right.

2 Q Mr. Bujold, I will probably ask this question by way of
3 undertaking unless you have a very good memory, but
4 what I am interested in is getting a list of who sat on
5 Sawridge First Nation Chief and Council from 1985 until
6 present. And the second undertaking would be to advise
7 me who the Sawridge trustees were from 1985 to present.
8 And if you could break it up as terms that they sat,
9 you know, if they had multiple terms, just give me the
10 date range, that would be super.

11 A I can do that for the trustees.

12 Q Okay.

13 A But I can't do it off the top of my head. I will have
14 to look it up.

15 Q That is fantastic.

16 A And the Chief and Council, I have no idea. So we would
17 have to get that information.

18 Q If you could certainly make inquiries, perhaps, of the
19 trustees if they might be able to assist on that? Your
20 counsel will have a very good understanding of the
21 scope of information that you are required to actually
22 ask. So if you are able to provide it that is super.

23 MS. BONORA: We will undertake to provide the
24 Sawridge list of trustees. We will make our best
25 efforts to try and get the information on Chief and
26 Council since 1985.

27 MS. HUTCHISON: Thank you.

1 UNDERTAKING NO. 1:

2 RE PROVIDE LIST OF WHO SAT ON SAWRIDGE
3 FIRST NATION CHIEF AND COUNCIL FROM 1985
4 UNTIL PRESENT.

5 UNDERTAKING NO. 2:

6 RE ADVISE WHO THE SAWRIDGE TRUSTEES WERE
7 FROM 1985 TO PRESENT, BREAKING IT UP
8 INTO TERMS THAT THEY SAT IF THEY HAD
9 MULTIPLE TERMS, AND PROVIDE DATE RANGE.

10 Q MS. HUTCHISON: So I am still on our list of
11 trustees for now. So let's start with the new trustee,
12 Mr. Bujold. He is Justin Twin?

13 A Yes.

14 Q He is a member of Chief and Council?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Obviously he is a member of the Sawridge First Nation?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And by virtue of being a member of the Sawridge First
19 Nation he would also be a beneficiary of both Trusts,
20 the 1986 and '85?

21 A Yes, yes.

22 Q Okay. And is it your understanding that as a member of
23 the First Nations he would also be a member of the
24 Appeal Committee for membership issues? Are you aware
25 of that structure?

26 A The Appeal Committee are all of the electors, and I
27 would presume he is an elector.

1 Q Okay.

2 A But I don't know.

3 Q So the Appeal Committee is electors, not necessarily --
4 so there could be members that are not electors?

5 A Right.

6 Q Okay.

7 A There would probably be minors.

8 Q Okay. And do you know if Justin Twin sits on the
9 Membership Review Committee? Did he take Walter
10 Felix's position on that, or you are not --

11 A I don't know.

12 Q Let's just go off for a second.

13 (Discussion off the record.)

14 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, your counsel just
15 reminded me that she gave me a list a week or so ago,
16 and the current members of the Membership Committee are
17 Vera McCoy, and she is the mother of Winona and Justin,
18 correct?

19 A That is correct.

20 Q Roland C. Twinn who is Chief of Sawridge?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Catherine Twinn, Walter Patrick's widow?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Bertha L'Hirondelle, Walter Patrick's sister?

25 A Yes.

26 Q And Arlene Twinn?

27 A Is Roland's sister.

1 Q Okay. And so Walter Patrick's daughter?

2 A Right. I don't know if I need to clarify this, but she
3 is -- Roland and Arlene are children of Walter's first
4 marriage.

5 Q Okay. And are there children of Walter and Catherine's
6 marriage as well?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Who are they?

9 A Walter Patrick; Samuel, I can't remember his second
10 name; and Isaac, and I can't remember his second name.

11 Q Okay. And none of those children are trustees?

12 A No.

13 Q And none of them are on council?

14 A No.

15 Q Do you know if they hold any particular positions
16 within the Nation?

17 A Not that I know of.

18 Q And no positions within the Trust?

19 A No.

20 Q They are beneficiaries of both Trusts?

21 A Yes, yes.

22 Q Okay. So other than the positions that we have just
23 talked about for Justin Twin, any other positions that
24 he holds in relation to the Sawridge Trust or the
25 Nation that you are aware of?

26 A In relation to the Trusts, no. In relation to the
27 First Nation, I am not aware of.

1 Q Any other one?

2 A No.

3 Q If you become aware of any other positions Justin Twin
4 holds within the First Nation, if you could advise us?

5 A Sure.

6 MS. BONORA: Well, it will always be under this
7 constant undertaking. So do you want us to undertake
8 to inquire, or?

9 MS. HUTCHISON: Sure.

10 MS. BONORA: I don't want to be under a constant
11 undertaking.

12 MS. HUTCHISON: Let's do it that way.

13 MS. BONORA: Okay.

14 MS. HUTCHISON: If you could undertake to advise us
15 of any other titles or positions Justin Twin holds
16 within the Sawridge First Nation.

17 UNDERTAKING NO. 3:

18 RE ADVISE OF ANY OTHER TITLES OR
19 POSITIONS JUSTIN TWIN HOLDS UNDER THE
20 SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION.

21 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Let's chat about Catherine Twinn
22 for a second. Catherine Twinn is a trustee of the
23 Sawridge Trust?

24 A Yes.

25 Q She was married to Walter Patrick Twinn?

26 A Yes.

27 Q Obviously she is a member of Sawridge?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q And as far as you know, is she an elector?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q Okay. So she would also be a member of the Membership
5 Appeal Committee as an elector?
- 6 A As far as the definition goes.
- 7 Q As far as you know, is she a beneficiary of both the
8 '85 and '86 Trust?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q And Roland C. Twinn, the current Chief of Sawridge,
11 would be her stepson?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Okay. And Catherine Twinn was, are you aware of her
14 having a role in council or the Sawridge First Nation
15 litigation about the constitutionality about Bill C-31?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q She played that role?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Does she continue to deal with membership issues in
20 that capacity?
- 21 A No.
- 22 Q And you have told me that she has never sat on Chief
23 and Council?
- 24 A Not that I am aware of.
- 25 Q Okay.
- 26 MS. HUTCHISON: Ms. Bonora, if I could ask you to
27 undertake to inquire whether or not Catherine Twinn has

1 actually ever been a member of Chief and Council.

2 MS. BONORA: We will give that to you in our
3 earlier undertaking, so I don't need to give you
4 another one.

5 MS. HUTCHISON: That is right.

6 Q MS. HUTCHISON: And Catherine Twinn sits on the
7 Membership Review Committee?

8 A Yes, as far as I know.

9 Q Okay. Do you have any idea how long she has been on
10 the Membership Review Committee?

11 A No, I don't.

12 Q Okay. As of today are you aware of any other role that
13 Catherine Twinn holds for the Sawridge Trust?

14 A No.

15 Q Nothing, okay. Are you aware of any other roles or
16 positions, titles, that she has for the Sawridge First
17 Nation?

18 A No.

19 Q If I could ask you to undertake to inquire whether or
20 not Catherine Twinn does actually hold any other roles,
21 titles, positions, or fulfill any other
22 responsibilities for the Sawridge First Nation, other
23 than what we have discussed already.

24 UNDERTAKING NO. 4:

25 RE ADVISE WHETHER CATHERINE TWINN HOLDS
26 ANY OTHER ROLES, TITLES, POSITIONS, OR
27 FULFILLS ANY OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES FOR

1 THE SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION OTHER THAN
2 THAT PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED.

3 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Bertha L'Hirondelle. We have
4 talked about the fact that she is a sister of Walter
5 Patrick Twinn?

6 A Yes.

7 Q My understanding is that Bertha L'Hirondelle was Chief
8 of Sawridge First Nation for a period of time?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And we will find out timing on that with the other
11 undertaking. Do you happen to know if she stopped --
12 when her last term as Chief ended?

13 A No. The only thing that I am aware of is she became
14 Chief when Walter Patrick died.

15 Q Okay.

16 A And she ceased to be Chief when she resigned and Roland
17 Twinn was elected.

18 Q Okay.

19 A But the first undertaking should give you that.

20 Q The time frame?

21 A That time frame.

22 Q Thank you. And Bertha L'Hirondelle, she is a member of
23 Sawridge First Nation?

24 A Yes.

25 Q As far as you are aware she is an elector of Sawridge
26 First Nation?

27 A Yes.

1 Q Is she a beneficiary of both the '85 and '86 Trust?

2 A No.

3 Q She is not. So only the --

4 A Only the '86 Trust.

5 Q So Bertha is one of the individuals who, if the
6 proposed new definition, I'm going to use that sort of
7 terminology, for the 1985 Trust were adopted, Bertha
8 would become a beneficiary of the '85 Trust?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Okay. And just your understanding, Mr. Bujold, but
11 that is because Bertha L'Hirondelle was reinstated
12 under Bill C-31, is that right? So she lost her --

13 A She lost her status.

14 Q -- her status, her membership because of marriage?

15 A Because of marriage, and then applied to be reinstated
16 post Bill C-31.

17 Q Okay. So she was not only reinstated as a registered
18 Indian, but Sawridge First Nation took her back as a
19 member; is that correct?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Do you know what year she was reinstated as a Sawridge
22 member?

23 A No.

24 Q Okay. I understand best efforts, Ms. Bonora, but if
25 you could undertake to advise as to which year Bertha
26 L'Hirondelle was accepted back into the Sawridge First
27 Nation as a member.

1 UNDERTAKING NO. 5:

2 RE ADVISE WHICH YEAR BERTHA L'HIRONDELLE
3 WAS ACCEPTED BACK INTO THE SAWRIDGE
4 FIRST NATION AS A MEMBER.

5 Q MS. HUTCHISON: And we have already talked about
6 Bertha also having a role in the Membership Review
7 Committee.

8 A Yes.

9 Q Do you know how long she sat in that position?

10 A No.

11 Q My understanding from your counsel, and perhaps I will
12 just ask if you have different information, is that the
13 current membership of the Membership Review Committee,
14 other than Walter Felix Twin's recent resignation, has
15 been essentially the same for approximately a decade.
16 Do you have any other information?

17 A No.

18 Q Okay. Other than the roles or the titles that we have
19 discussed for Bertha L'Hirondelle, are you aware of her
20 holding any other roles, titles, positions, or having
21 responsibilities for the Sawridge Trust?

22 A No.

23 Q Okay.

24 MS. BONORA: Perhaps let's just go off the
25 record for a second.

26 (Discussion off the Record.)

27 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, we just had a bit of a

1 chat off the record. I understand within the Sawridge
2 Trust structure, at least, other than the trustees and
3 yourself and the chairman, which is Brian Heidecker,
4 there are no other roles --

5 A No.

6 Q -- within the structure of the Trust?

7 A No, there aren't.

8 Q So no subcommittees, no other particular titles or
9 positions?

10 A No.

11 Q Okay. Thank you. That will save time. With Bertha
12 L'Hirondelle, are you aware of her holding any roles,
13 titles, positions or having other responsibilities
14 within the Sawridge First Nation?

15 A Yes.

16 Q And what are the other roles?

17 A She is an elected elder.

18 Q Okay.

19 A Under the constitution.

20 Q Any other roles that you are aware of?

21 A Not that I am aware of. She could have, but I am not
22 aware of them.

23 Q Ms. Bonora, I will ask for the same undertaking that we
24 have been asking for, just to check and confirm whether
25 or not Bertha L'Hirondelle holds any other roles,
26 titles, positions or has other significant
27 responsibilities within the Sawridge First Nation

1 structure?

2 MS. BONORA: Yes.

3 MS. HUTCHISON: Thank you.

4 UNDERTAKING NO. 6:

5 RE ADVISE IF BERTHA L'HIRONDELLE HOLDS
6 ANY OTHER ROLES, TITLES, POSITIONS OR
7 HAS OTHER SIGNIFICANT RESPONSIBILITIES
8 WITHIN THE SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION
9 STRUCTURE.

10 MS. BONORA: I am just going to say overall,
11 that anything to do with our inquiries of Sawridge
12 First Nation will just be on best efforts because we
13 can't actually undertake.

14 MS. HUTCHISON: I understand. I do understand. I
15 also appreciate that through the trustees you have a
16 fair repository of knowledge about the Nation, but.

17 MS. BONORA: Absolutely.

18 MS. HUTCHISON: But I completely understand that it
19 is a separate legal entity.

20 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Okay. Clara Midbo. We already
21 chatted about the fact that she is the sister of Walter
22 Patrick Twinn?

23 A Yes.

24 Q A member of Sawridge First Nation?

25 A Yes.

26 Q As far as you are aware, is she an elector of Sawridge
27 First Nation?

1 A As far as I am aware of.

2 Q And Clara would be also in a situation of being a
3 beneficiary of the '86 Trust but not the '85 Trust; is
4 that correct?

5 A That is correct.

6 Q And another individual who would become a beneficiary
7 of the 1985 Trust if the new definition were adopted?

8 A That is correct.

9 Q Are you aware of Clara holding any other roles, titles,
10 positions or having significant responsibilities within
11 the Sawridge First Nation?

12 A She is also an elected elder and I am not aware of any
13 other roles that she may have.

14 Q Okay. And I will just ask for the same best efforts
15 undertaking to find out if she does hold any other
16 roles, titles, positions or responsibilities, Ms.
17 Bonora. Thank you.

18 MS. BONORA: Yes.

19 UNDERTAKING NO. 7:

20 RE DETERMINE IF CLARA MIDBO HOLDS ANY
21 OTHER ROLES, TITLES, POSITIONS OR
22 RESPONSIBILITIES WITH SAWRIDGE FIRST
23 NATION.

24 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Roland Twinn. So Chief of
25 Sawridge?

26 A Yes.

27 Q At the present time. Are you aware of, and you may not

1 be, but are you aware of his role as principal
2 financial officer under the Sawridge Financial
3 Administration Act?

4 A I am not aware.

5 Q Not aware of it, okay. He is a member of Sawridge
6 First Nation, obviously. And as far as you know he
7 would be an elector?

8 A As far as I know.

9 Q Is Roland the beneficiary of both the '85 and '86
10 Trust?

11 A Yes, he is.

12 Q And we have confirmed that he is on the Membership
13 Review Committee?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Any other roles, titles, positions or responsibilities
16 that you are aware of Roland Twinn holding for the
17 Sawridge First Nation?

18 A I am not aware of any.

19 MS. HUTCHISON: We will ask for the same
20 undertaking, Ms. Bonora, to check on that.

21 MS. BONORA: Yes.

22 UNDERTAKING NO. 8:

23 RE ADVISE IF ROLAND TWINN HOLDS ANY
24 OTHER ROLES, TITLES, POSITIONS OR
25 RESPONSIBILITIES FOR SAWRIDGE FIRST
26 NATION.

27 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Now Walter Felix Twin, and I do

1 understand that he is not currently a trustee, but he
2 was at the time that the application was filed?

3 A Yes.

4 Q He was one of the original settlers of the Trust?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Okay. As far as you are aware, Walter Felix Twin is a
7 member of Sawridge?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And as far as you are aware he is an elector of
10 Sawridge?

11 A Yes.

12 Q And is he a beneficiary of both Trusts?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Okay. Are you aware of Walter Felix Twin holding any
15 other roles, titles, positions or having significant
16 responsibilities within the Sawridge First Nation?

17 A No.

18 Q And I will just ask you to undertake to make best
19 efforts to confirm that.

20 UNDERTAKING NO. 9:

21 RE CONFIRM WHETHER WALTER FELIX TWIN
22 HOLDS ANY OTHER ROLES, TITLES, POSITIONS
23 OR HAS SIGNIFICANT RESPONSIBILITIES
24 WITHIN THE SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION.

25 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, we have talked a little
26 bit about individuals that might be elected elders
27 within the Sawridge First Nation. Do you know who else

1 holds that title or that privilege other than Bertha
2 L'Hirondelle and Clara Midbo?

3 A As far as I understand from the constitution, there are
4 two elders who are elected to the Elders Commission, I
5 think it is called, under their constitution.

6 Q Okay.

7 A And those are the two at this time.

8 Q Okay. And are there other members of the Elders
9 Commission, or it is just a two-person?

10 A A two-person.

11 Q A two-person Commission. I think that I will ask for
12 an undertaking, Mr. Bujold, could you make inquiries on
13 a best efforts basis as to whether or not any of the
14 past or present trustees have sat on the management
15 board that is established under the Sawridge Financial
16 Administration Act?

17 MS. BONORA: Sorry, why is that relevant?

18 MS. HUTCHISON: Well, we are trying to get a sense,
19 I guess, of some of the crossover roles and
20 responsibilities, Ms. Bonora, whether or not there is
21 actually any issue or concern there around the
22 administration.

23 MS. BONORA: So obviously when we answer all of
24 the undertakings on the current trustees and other
25 roles that they have, that undertaking will be
26 answered.

27 MS. HUTCHISON: That is excellent. I just wanted

1 to point out that specific board. That's great. We
2 can do it within those general undertakings.

3 MS. BONORA: I mean it will come up if it is
4 going to come up, right.

5 Q MS. HUTCHISON: So, Mr. Bujold, again talking about
6 the trustees. What policies, codes of conduct,
7 procedures, do you have in place at the present time in
8 relation to the trustees' role themselves?

9 A In the trustees there are some parameters listed for
10 what -- for each -- not for each but for the trustees
11 as a whole.

12 Q Okay.

13 A In addition to that they have also established a code
14 of conduct to which they are all party as a contract.

15 Q Okay.

16 A In addition to that they also establish policies,
17 various administrative policies for the Trust which
18 includes remuneration for trustees, procedures for
19 meetings, and benefits, and payment benefits.

20 Q So, Mr. Bujold, if you could undertake to provide us
21 with a copy of any policies or contracts or other
22 documents that relate to a code of conduct or matters
23 such as conflict of interest for the trustees
24 themselves?

25 A Yes.

26 Q That would be appreciated:

27 UNDERTAKING NO. 10:

1 RE PROVIDE A COPY OF ANY POLICIES OR
2 CONTRACTS OR OTHER DOCUMENTATION
3 RELATING TO A CODE OF CONDUCT OR MATTERS
4 SUCH AS CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR THE
5 TRUSTEES THEMSELVES.

6 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Do you personally have an awareness
7 of whether or not similar sorts of policies or
8 documents exist for Chief and Council of the Sawridge
9 First Nation? Codes of conduct, codes of ethics,
10 guidelines around conflict of interest and that type of
11 thing?

12 A I am not aware of.

13 Q Your counsel, in response to one of my inquiries, did
14 provide us with a copy of a governance policy or a
15 Governance Act, I should say, and the constitution of
16 Sawridge First Nation. I take it that you are not
17 personally familiar with those documents?

18 A I have read them.

19 Q Okay. And do you have any basis to understand that
20 those documents apply to the trustees in their roles as
21 trustees?

22 A None of the legislation or policies of the First Nation
23 apply to the Trusts, because they are two separate
24 entities.

25 Q Thank you.

26 MS. HUTCHISON: Ms. Bonora, very much on a best
27 efforts basis, to the extent that you are able to

1 determine whether or not there are any other
2 guidelines, policies, contracts, that relate to code of
3 conduct or conflict of interest, or dealing with
4 conflict of interest in relation to Sawridge First
5 Nation Chief and Council, the Membership Review
6 Committee, the Elders Commission, or the Membership
7 Appeal Committee, other than what you have already
8 provided to us which is the Governance Act and the
9 Constitution Act, if you could undertake to use best
10 efforts and advise.

11 MS. BONORA: I don't think that we will provide
12 the undertaking with respect to all of Sawridge First
13 Nation.

14 MS. HUTCHISON: Okay.

15 MS. BONORA: We are prepared to provide you with
16 the Membership Committee and Membership Appeal
17 Committee. But I don't think the whole of Sawridge
18 First Nation is relevant to these proceedings. But we
19 will give the undertaking on membership.

20 MS. HUTCHISON: I would also like it in relation to
21 Chief and Council.

22 MS. BONORA: I don't understand the relevance.
23 I'm happy to hear it, but I don't understand the
24 relevance with respect to Chief and Council and these
25 Trusts.

26 MS. HUTCHISON: The relevance, I would suggest, is
27 that Chief and Council is actually the decision maker

1 on membership issues. So in the membership process, as
2 I understand it, the Membership Review Committee makes
3 a recommendation to Chief and Council and then Chief
4 and Council make a decision to accept or reject. Is
5 that your understanding, Mr. Bujold?

6 A That is my understanding.

7 MS. HUTCHISON: So Chief and Council being
8 inherently involved in the membership process I would
9 suggest makes that relevant.

10 MS. BONORA: So what specifically are you asking
11 for with respect to Chief and Council?

12 MS. HUTCHISON: Whether are not there are any codes
13 of conduct or any policies or legislation -- I
14 understand the Nation refers to their policies as acts
15 as a general rule, really any documentation that would
16 deal with codes of conduct and conflicts of interest
17 for Chief and Council. If there is one specific to the
18 membership decision, that is really all I am interested
19 in.

20 MS. BONORA: We will give an undertaking to
21 provide code of conduct, conflict of interest issues,
22 make our best efforts, for Chief and Council specific
23 to membership. So that what is what we are prepared to
24 do.

25 MS. HUTCHISON: Thank you.

26 UNDERTAKING NO. 11:

27 RE ON A BEST EFFORTS BASIS DETERMINE

1 WHETHER THERE ARE ANY GUIDELINES,
2 POLICIES, CONTRACTS OR ANY DOCUMENTATION
3 RELATING TO CODES OF CONDUCT OR CONFLICT
4 OF INTEREST IN RELATION TO THE
5 MEMBERSHIP REVIEW COMMITTEE, MEMBERSHIP
6 APPEAL COMMITTEE, OR CHIEF AND COUNCIL
7 SPECIFIC TO MEMBERSHIP.

8 Q MS. HUTCHISON: And I guess on that -- I am going
9 to talk to your counsel for a minute, Mr. Bujold.
10 Sorry to be rude. But given the constitution and the
11 Governance Act have been provided in response to the
12 May 5th, 2014 request for information, perhaps you
13 could just clarify for me in that, as part of that
14 response, Ms. Bonora, whether or not it is the
15 trustee's understanding that those two documents apply
16 to Chief and Council when they are dealing with
17 membership decisions, and similarly, whether or not
18 those two documents would apply to the Membership
19 Review Committee or the Membership Appeal Committee
20 when they are dealing with membership issues.

21 MS. BONORA: In answer -- you asked us a
22 question to provide codes of conduct or any guidelines
23 or policies regarding conflict of interest that have
24 existed with Sawridge Band Membership Committee,
25 Membership Appeal Committee or the Sawridge Trust from
26 1985 to present. And we asked that question of
27 Sawridge First Nation, and they provided copies of the

1 constitution, referring you to Section 17.7 and the
2 Governance Act referring to part 2. There would be no
3 other answer that we could provide you.

4 MS. HUTCHISON: Thank you for that clarification.

5 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Do you accept the answer of your
6 counsel on that, Mr. Bujold?

7 A Yes, I do.

8 Q Thank you. Mr. Bujold, if you have got your September
9 12th, 2011 Affidavit handy. And I am looking at
10 paragraph 7, 8, and 9. I'll just give you a second to
11 take a quick look at those paragraphs.

12 A M-hm.

13 Q I take it from those paragraphs, Mr. Bujold, that you
14 actually spoke to Ron Ewoniak before you swore this
15 Affidavit?

16 A Yes, I did.

17 Q Just help me understand. Mr. Ewoniak, is he completely
18 retired or sort of does an engagement partner at
19 Deloitte mean he is still available to respond to
20 inquiries and do some work?

21 A As far as I understand he is completely retired.

22 Q Okay. So he was speaking to you really on a personal
23 basis, I guess?

24 A Yes.

25 Q He is not with Deloitte anymore?

26 A No.

27 Q But I take it that he had a recollection of

1 establishing the Trust or being involved in
2 establishing the Trust?

3 A Yes.

4 Q And what is your understanding of what role Mr. Ewoniak
5 played in creation of the 1982 and 1985 and '86 Trust?

6 A I am not sure about the '82 Trust. My understanding is
7 that for the '85 and '86 Trust he was the Deloitte
8 partner who was providing accounting advice to the
9 trustees.

10 Q Okay. And did you inquire with Mr. Ewoniak as to
11 whether or not his files from that time period were
12 still in existence?

13 A Yes, I did. And he did provide some documentation, but
14 most of it he referred us to Deloitte.

15 Q Okay. And were you able to find out from Deloitte
16 whether or not those files still exist?

17 A What we found out was --

18 MS. BONORA: Sorry, so which files are you
19 particularly talking about? The files in relation to
20 the creation of the Trust? Is that what you are asking
21 about?

22 MS. HUTCHISON: That is what we are talking about
23 at the moment, yes.

24 MS. BONORA: Okay.

25 A The files that Deloitte held had been -- weren't the
26 complete accounting files. So they were sort of the
27 remnant of the basic information.

1 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Okay.

2 A And so we were able to get copies for our files, some
3 of which has been provided here.

4 Q Okay.

5 A Of the information that we have. And that was the only
6 information they had available.

7 Q So I will just go a bit broader. Now you spoke to
8 Mr. Ewoniak about the creation of the '85 and '86
9 Trust?

10 A Yes.

11 Q It appears from paragraph 7, 8, and 9 that he had some
12 knowledge of the individuals that had held property in
13 trust before it was transferred?

14 A Yes.

15 Q To the '82 Trust?

16 A That is correct.

17 Q Was he involved in setting that up as well, or?

18 A My understanding was that he was involved as the
19 Deloitte partner assigned to this client. So he did
20 have some knowledge of the entire financial process of
21 the Trusts.

22 Q Okay.

23 A And the holding companies related to them.

24 Q Okay. So I understand your counsel has provided some
25 documentation around or relating to the transfer of
26 assets from the '82 Trust to the '85 Trust. It is not
27 clear to me at this point, though, that we have gotten

1 everything. I'm going to put a few undertakings on the
2 record.

3 MS. BONORA: Maybe just go off the record for
4 now.

5 MS. HUTCHISON: Sure.

6 (Discussion off the Record.)

7 Q MS. HUTCHISON: So, Mr. Bujold, we have had a chat
8 off the record, counsel has had a chat off the record
9 about some of the efforts that have been made to locate
10 documentation around the assets that were transferred
11 from individuals to the 1982 Trust and then ultimately
12 transferred from the 1982 Trust to the 1985 Trust. So
13 I am just going to go through a little bit of that with
14 you. Your counsel may want to assist, and I have no
15 objection to her doing that, by explaining some of the
16 efforts that have been made, and then we will deal with
17 a few undertakings.

18 In general, what efforts have you made to try and
19 locate documentation to demonstrate what assets were
20 held by individuals prior to the creation of the 1982
21 Trust, and that were then transferred into the 1982
22 Trust? What have you done to locate that
23 documentation?

24 A We tried to contact everyone who was still alive who
25 had knowledge of the financial dealings of the Trusts
26 at the time.

27 Q And who would that include?

1 A Well, Ron turned out to be the -- Ron Ewoniak turned
2 out to be the main person.

3 Q Okay.

4 A So we contacted him. We also contacted the company --
5 the companies of the Sawridge Trusts for any records
6 that they may be holding, and through the company and
7 Ron Ewoniak we inquired with Deloitte who had been the
8 accounting firm holding the records.

9 Q Okay.

10 A We also inquired with various legal firms who had
11 provided counsel to the Trusts.

12 Q And so David Jones?

13 A David Jones we couldn't find. We spoke to -- we
14 couldn't find David Fennell either.

15 Q Sorry, you couldn't find David Fennell?

16 A David Fennell.

17 Q Are you aware that he is actively involved in the gold
18 mining corporation?

19 A Yes, we heard that but we were never able to sort of
20 track him down to see if he still held any records.

21 Q So nobody has actually spoken to Mr. Fennell?

22 A Not that I am aware of.

23 Q Let's just go off the record for a second.

24 (Discussion off the record.)

25 Q MS. HUTCHISON: So Mr. Bujold, my understanding is
26 that attempts were made to contact David Fennell but he
27 didn't respond to your inquiries?

1 A No, and he didn't provide any documents.

2 Q Sorry, did he respond to your inquiries?

3 A No.

4 Q So nobody has actually spoken to him?

5 A And the requests -- we did contact him, or tried to
6 contact him, but the request that we sent was a request
7 for information that he may have, or records that he
8 may hold in his, or have in his possession of the
9 financial dealings of the Trusts in the earlier days.
10 And he never responded to that.

11 Q Okay. So I am going to ask for a couple of things.
12 First I will ask you to undertake to provide us with
13 copies of any actual communications sent to Mr.
14 Fennell, whether they were by letter, email, or
15 otherwise, documenting the request that you were
16 making. We would like a copy of those.

17 MS. BONORA: We will take that under advisement.
18 I'm not sure that that is entirely relevant. But
19 anyway, we will take that under advisement.

20 UNDERTAKING NO. 12: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)
21 RE PROVIDE COPIES OF ANY COMMUNICATIONS
22 SENT TO MR. FENNELL, WHETHER THEY WERE
23 BY LETTER, EMAIL, OR OTHERWISE,
24 DOCUMENTING THE REQUEST THAT WAS BEING
25 MADE.

26 MS. HUTCHISON: Secondly, I would ask you to
27 undertake to renew your efforts to contact Mr. Fennell

1 and advise whether or not he has any documentation
2 relevant to the assets that were held by individuals,
3 and then the transfer from those individuals to the '82
4 Trust, or relevant to the transfer of assets from the
5 '82 Trust to the '85 Trust. So whether he has got
6 documentation relevant to that, has access to
7 documentation relevant to that, or is aware of another
8 resource or source that may have those documents
9 available.

10 MS. BONORA: We will undertake to send him a
11 letter. We can't make him respond. So all we will do
12 is undertake to write to him again.

13 MS. HUTCHISON: Thank you, Ms. Bonora.

14 UNDERTAKING NO. 13:

15 RE CONTACT MR. FENNELL AND ADVISE
16 WHETHER OR NOT HE HAS ANY DOCUMENTATION
17 OR ACCESS TO DOCUMENTATION OR IS AWARE
18 OF ANOTHER RESOURCE OR SOURCE THAT MAY
19 HAVE DOCUMENTS RELEVANT TO THE ASSETS
20 THAT WERE HELD BY INDIVIDUALS AND THEN
21 THE TRANSFER FROM THOSE INDIVIDUALS TO
22 THE '82 TRUST, OR RELEVANT TO THE
23 TRANSFER OF ASSETS FROM THE '82 TRUST TO
24 THE '85 TRUST.

25 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Now there is reference to a David
26 Jones, legal counsel, that may have been involved in
27 the establishment of the Trusts or the transfers of

1 assets. Do you know if that is David Jones of Jones De
2 Villars here in Edmonton, or is it a different David
3 Jones?

4 A As far as I know that is who it is.

5 Q Do you know if anyone made efforts to contact David
6 Jones on the same topics that we have just been
7 discussing?

8 A I can't recall if we actually made contact with him or
9 not. Yeah, no, I can't recall if we tried or not to
10 make contact.

11 Q So we will just deal with it as an undertaking, first,
12 to provide copies of any documentation where you did
13 attempt to seek information from David Jones?

14 A Okay.

15 Q Or if that didn't occur, I would ask you to, as with
16 Mr. Fennell, send a letter or other communication to
17 Mr. Jones to inquire whether or not he has access to
18 documents that relate to the assets held by individuals
19 that were ultimately transferred to the 1982 Trust, or
20 the assets that were then transferred from the 1982
21 Trust to the 1985 Trust?

22 MS. BONORA: We won't give the first
23 undertaking, but we will give the second that you asked
24 for in terms of writing to him again to ask if he has
25 any documents. My memory is that he was canvassed and
26 he doesn't keep records going back 30 years, so those
27 are not available. But we will write and confirm that

1 he has no records.

2 UNDERTAKING NO. 14: (REFUSED)

3 RE PROVIDE COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTATION
4 SENT ATTEMPTING TO SEEK INFORMATION FROM
5 DAVID JONES.

6 UNDERTAKING NO. 15:

7 RE CONTACT MR. JONES AND ADVISE WHETHER
8 OR NOT HE HAS ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS THAT
9 RELATE TO THE ASSETS HELD BY INDIVIDUALS
10 THAT WERE ULTIMATELY TRANSFERRED TO THE
11 1982 TRUST, OR THE ASSETS THAT WERE THEN
12 TRANSFERRED FROM THE 1982 TRUST TO THE
13 1985 TRUST.

14 Q MS. HUTCHISON: On the efforts to contact David
15 Jones, do you have any different information than what
16 your counsel has just given?

17 A No, no.

18 Q Okay, thank you. In your discussions with Deloitte or
19 Mr. Ewoniak, did you make inquiries or requests for
20 financial statements or other forms of financial
21 reporting that they might have prepared in 1982 through
22 1986 that might give some information about the assets
23 and what was transferred?

24 A Yes.

25 Q And did they have those?

26 A What they had were the, for the most part, they had T3s
27 that were filed on behalf of the Trusts for income tax

1 purposes, they had the financial statements that were
2 used to prepare those tax returns, and that was all.

3 Q Okay.

4 A And we got copies of all of those documents and you
5 have been provided with most of those.

6 Q So we have received most of them, Mr. Bujold. What
7 have we not received?

8 A I am not sure.

9 MS. BONORA: So I think that that is a question
10 that involves giving legal advice. We provided
11 documents that showed anything in relation to the
12 transfer of assets. If it didn't show anything in
13 relation to the transfer of assets we haven't provided
14 it because we did not deem it relevant. So we have
15 provided the relevant documents in relation to the
16 transfer of assets.

17 MS. HUTCHISON: So because we do need to get these
18 documents into evidence, Ms. Bonora, I'm going to ask
19 for the undertaking to provide us with copies of any of
20 the documentation that you have located that is not in
21 the original Affidavit that relates to what assets were
22 originally held by the individuals pre 1982 in trust,
23 what assets were then transferred into the 1982 Trust,
24 and what assets were then transferred from the 1982
25 Trust to the 1985 Trust. And just to be clear, I
26 understand that you sent me an email with some pdf's
27 late Friday. I need those to be provided in some

1 format that we can get it in front of a court. So if
2 you can send that as an answer to undertaking that
3 would be super.

4 MS. BONORA: How about if we mark them today?
5 That way I don't have to provide them in an undertaking
6 later. We have them, they can be marked as a group,
7 and --

8 MS. HUTCHISON: Let's go off for a second.

9 (Discussion off the Record.)

10 (Questioning adjourned.)

11 (Questioning resumed.)

12 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, still looking at your
13 September 12th, 2011 Affidavit.

14 MS. BONORA: I am going to put on we will
15 produce by way of undertaking the documents that we
16 have with respect to the transfer of the assets from
17 individuals into the 1982 Trust and then from the 1982
18 Trust to the 1985 Trust, and those are the documents
19 that we provided you last Friday, May 23rd, and the
20 additional financial statements that we provided you
21 this morning. But we will provide those by way of
22 undertaking to you.

23 MS. HUTCHISON: That is super, Ms. Bonora, and
24 obviously if any other documents are located between
25 now and the time you send those answers to me if you
26 could include those in the answer to undertaking, that
27 would be super.

1 MS. BONORA: Of course.

2 UNDERTAKING NO. 16:

3 RE PRODUCE DOCUMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE
4 TRANSFER OF THE ASSETS FROM INDIVIDUALS
5 INTO THE 1982 TRUST AND THEN FROM THE
6 1982 TRUST TO THE 1985 TRUST, AND THE
7 ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

8 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Looking at your September 12th,
9 2011 Affidavit, paragraph 7, 8, and 9, do you
10 personally have any understanding of what assets
11 specifically were being held by Chief Walter Twinn,
12 George Twin, Walter Felix Twin, Samuel Gilbert Twin,
13 and Dave Fennell by 1982? And I am really looking
14 specifically at your wording where you say they held a
15 number of assets in trust for the Sawridge First
16 Nation. I know that we have got the list in the
17 exhibits to your Affidavit. Do you have any
18 information other than what is set out in the documents
19 that are attached as exhibits to your Affidavit?

20 A No.

21 Q Okay. Have you had an opportunity to speak to Walter
22 Felix Twin about whether he recalls any specific assets
23 that were being held by individuals in trust for the
24 Sawridge Band other than the ones that are listed in
25 Exhibit D of your Affidavit?

26 MS. BONORA: I think that we would only answer
27 that question in relation to assets that were

1 transferred into the Trust. We couldn't possibly go
2 through and give you a history of assets that were held
3 by individuals by the First Nation because those are
4 entirely irrelevant, except for those assets that were
5 transferred into the Trust, because there may well have
6 been lots of assets held by individuals in the Sawridge
7 First Nation in terms of how they ran their assets. So
8 the only relevant assets would be those that were
9 transferred into the 1982 Trust, and then ultimately
10 into the '85 Trust.

11 Q MS. HUTCHISON: I am sorry, Mr. Bujold, just so
12 that I am clear. So you have indicated in paragraph 8
13 of your Affidavit that Mr. Ewoniak explained to you or
14 advised you that at some time in the early 1970s
15 individuals were starting to hold property in trust for
16 Sawridge First Nation because of a concern about
17 whether the nation had statutory ownership power?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Do you have any information to indicate that the assets
20 that individuals were holding between the early 1970s
21 and 1982, that some of those assets were not ultimately
22 transferred into the 1982 Trust?

23 A From the records that we have got my understanding is
24 that all of the assets that were held by individuals
25 for the '82 Trust eventually ended up in the '82 Trust.
26 And those assets were then transferred in full to the
27 '85 Trust.

1 Q Okay. And I am not sure -- so were there other assets
2 individuals were holding in trust that were transferred
3 into the '86 Trust?

4 A No, because the arrangement was different by then. The
5 question of whether or not the First Nation could own
6 -- or whether or not the First Nation had the right to
7 own assets was cleared up by 1985.

8 Q Okay.

9 A And the 1986 Trust was created a year after the 1985
10 Trust was created. And so by that time the ownership
11 issue had been cleared up.

12 Q Okay.

13 A Between Indian Affairs and the First Nation.

14 Q I'm going to get you to look at paragraph 22 of your
15 Affidavit.

16 A Yes.

17 Q And this might actually help. I was trying to
18 understand something in your Affidavit. So in that
19 paragraph you give us your understanding or belief
20 about the transfer from the '82 Trust to the '85 Trust?

21 A Yes.

22 Q I am looking at the last sentence, though, it states,
23 "Further there was additional property transferred into
24 the 1985 Trust by the Sawridge First Nation or
25 individuals holding property in trust for the nation
26 and its members."

27 A Yes.

1 Q So were you intending to say there that pre 1982
2 individuals were holding certain assets in trust, and
3 at the time that the '82 Trust was created some but not
4 all of those assets were transferred into the '82
5 Trust, and then at a later date some further assets
6 held by individuals were transferred directly into the
7 '85 Trust?

8 A I will try and explain my understanding.

9 Q Sure, that would be super.

10 A So the assets -- initially the assets were owned by the
11 First Nation, although there was a question of whether
12 they had the authority to own those assets.

13 Q Yes.

14 A So they were assigned to individuals to be held in
15 trust.

16 Q Yes.

17 A Sometime prior to 1982 there was a decision made to set
18 some of those assets that were being held by
19 individuals in trust for the First Nation into, they
20 were to be put into or settled into a trust. And it
21 was a First Nations trust. So the 1982 Trust was a
22 First Nations trust.

23 Q Yes.

24 A So I don't know if there were other assets that were
25 being held that continued to operate after the creation
26 of the 1982 Trust, but those assets that the Chief and
27 Council decided to settle into the 1982 Trusts were all

1 settled into -- you know, they were held by individuals
2 and all of the assets that they decided to put into the
3 Trust were put into the Trust in '82.

4 Then the '82 Trust, and as part of the undertaking
5 you will see in the explanation, the '82 Trust created
6 a holding company.

7 Q Yes.

8 A And that holding company actually acted on the asset,
9 but the Trust also held shares that weren't part of the
10 holding company. So there were two sets of assets.
11 Those held by the holding company, and those held by
12 the Trust. This is the '82 Trust.

13 Q Okay.

14 A And so all of those assets were transferred to the '85
15 Trust, it is just that they had to be transferred in
16 two separate moves. The holding company assets were
17 transferred in one move and then the non-holding
18 company assets were transferred in a second move.

19 Our understanding from the records is that in order
20 to effect that transfer the '82 Trust transferred the
21 assets in the '82 Trust to the trustees, and then the
22 trustees transferred these assets into the '85 Trust.

23 The holding company was, by resolution, the
24 trustees decided to move all of the assets from the
25 holding company -- actually they moved the whole
26 holding company into the '85 Trust. So there is those
27 two movements going on. But all of the assets that

1 were held by the '82 Trust, and that includes those
2 that weren't part of the holding company and those that
3 were part of the holding company, moved into the '85
4 Trust.

5 Q Okay.

6 A As far as we can determine from the records that we
7 have.

8 Q Okay. So in paragraph 22 of your September 12th, 2011
9 Affidavit when you say that there was additional
10 property transferred into the 1985 Trust by Sawridge
11 First Nation or individuals holding property in trust
12 for the nation and its members?

13 A Right.

14 Q When you are talking about individuals holding property
15 in trust for the nation and its members, if I am
16 understanding you you are not referring to individuals
17 that had been set up to hold assets in trust pre 1982?

18 A No.

19 Q Okay.

20 A So these are -- this is the holding company -- or this
21 is the differential --

22 Q The non-holding company assets?

23 A The non-holding company assets. So the non-holding
24 company assets were held by the Trust, and then in
25 order to move them from the Trust, '82 Trust to the '85
26 Trust, they were transferred to individual trustees,
27 and then the individual trustees moved or settled them

1 into the '85 Trust.

2 Q Okay. Thank you. I was finding that a bit confusing.

3 A It is very confusing for us as well, so.

4 Q Okay, thank you. And just so that I am clear on this,
5 going back to paragraph 7, 8, and 9?

6 MS. BONORA: Can we just go off the record for a
7 second, just so that there is a clear picture.

8 (Discussion off the Record.)

9 Q MS. HUTCHISON: We had a useful discussion off the
10 record. Thank you, Ms. Bonora.

11 So my understanding is that the transfer from the
12 '82 Trust to the '85 Trust, we can probably talk about
13 it as being three components. The holdco transfer?

14 A Yes.

15 Q The non-holdco asset transfer?

16 A Yes.

17 Q And then there was a third element that we hadn't
18 discussed until we went off the record, where there was
19 a transfer of a debenture?

20 A Yes.

21 Q From the '82 Trust to the '85 Trust?

22 A There was a debenture held by the First Nation
23 separately, and it was a debenture for the construction
24 of the Slave Lake Hotel and the development of that
25 property. And so that debenture was held by the First
26 Nation itself, and it decided to transfer that
27 debenture to the '85 -- it wasn't part of the '82

1 Trust, but it was added to the 1985 Trust.

2 Q I see. So the '85 Trust ultimately ended up holding
3 more assets actually than the '82 Trust?

4 A Yes, that is right.

5 Q Okay.

6 MS. BONORA: Sorry, if we just go off the
7 record.

8 (Discussion off the Record.)

9 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, we are showing you a
10 copy of what we have called the debenture?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Are you familiar with that document?

13 A I am, yes.

14 MS. HUTCHISON: So I wonder if we could mark that
15 as Exhibit 1.

16 EXHIBIT NO. 1:

17 DEMAND DEBENTURE OF SAWRIDGE ENTERPRISES
18 LTD.

19 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, I am just showing you a
20 band council resolution dated April 15th, 1985. Is
21 that document familiar to you?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And so if we could mark that as Exhibit 2.

24 EXHIBIT NO. 2:

25 BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION DATED APRIL 15,
26 1985.

27 Q MS. HUTCHISON: And just by way of clarification,

1 taking a look at this document on its face, it appears
2 that the debenture was being held in trust by Walter
3 Patrick Twinn as an individual as opposed to by the
4 First Nation?

5 A Yes.

6 Q And then that debenture was transferred into the 1985
7 Trust?

8 A Right. So the assets that were -- because of this
9 ownership issue, the assets, even those held by the
10 First Nation and not by the Trust, were still held by a
11 trustee. And in this case it was the Chief.

12 Q Understood. So Walter Patrick Twinn was holding the
13 debenture in trust for the band?

14 A That is right.

15 Q And that is what you were referring to?

16 A That is what I was referring to with the First Nations.
17 So it is the First Nation that was doing the transfer
18 because the BCR shows all of the Chief and Council
19 agreed to it.

20 Q Just going back to this time period when there were
21 individuals holding assets in trust, and then up to and
22 including the creation of the 1982 Trust, I just want
23 to be sure that I am understanding. It sounds as
24 though at least at this point in time Sawridge Trust
25 doesn't know or hasn't really -- does not know if there
26 were other assets that individuals were holding in
27 trust in that time period that didn't ultimately roll

1 into the 1982 Trust? You just know that --

2 A We are not aware of any assets that aren't part of the
3 Trust.

4 Q Okay.

5 A So -- and we haven't made any attempts to determine if
6 there were other assets because they are not relevant
7 to us. So we have traced the assets that ended up in
8 the 1985 Trust back to the '82 Trust.

9 Q Right.

10 A And from the '82 Trust to the First Nation, or to the
11 trustees appointed by the First Nation to hold those
12 assets in trust, or by the Trust -- the 1982 Trust to
13 hold those assets in trust for various reasons. So
14 that is the only part that we have traced. So we
15 haven't traced anything outside of the creation of the
16 Trust or the settlement of the Trust.

17 Q So I guess what I am trying to get a sense of,
18 Mr. Bujold, and it may just be that I haven't tracked
19 it down in the documents, but if we take a look at --
20 let's first look at Exhibit B of your September 12th,
21 2011 Affidavit?

22 A M-hm.

23 Q And Exhibit A, of course, is the 1982 Declaration of
24 Trust.

25 A Yes.

26 Q So both of those documents refer to certain assets
27 being put in to the Trust?

1 A Yes.

2 Q And I am looking right now at the meeting of the
3 trustees and settlers of the Sawridge Band Trust, June
4 1982. Have you located a document that lists
5 specifically what the certain assets were intended to
6 be, or is it that you tracked back to figure out what
7 was actually in the 1982 Trust?

8 A Yeah, in Attachment D.

9 Q So Exhibit D, this is the 1983 agreement?

10 A So the 1983 agreement, which is a restatement of the
11 '82 agreement basically, does have a list of assets.
12 And we have tried, you know, using this list, this is
13 the assets that were held in trust and were held by the
14 Trust and were part of the holding company. So part of
15 this list of assets -- or this list of assets that is
16 here is what we understand was transferred in.

17 Q Okay.

18 A But --

19 Q I am sorry, I'm going to interrupt to sort of break up
20 my questions a bit. So you are telling me that the
21 assets that are listed in Exhibit D --

22 A Right.

23 Q -- you have been able to determine that those assets,
24 they all went in to the '82 Trust?

25 A Yes.

26 Q And all of them ultimately went into the '85 Trust?

27 A The '85 Trust.

1 Q Have you been able to determine if the list attached to
2 the 1983 document, Exhibit D, was the certain assets
3 that were being contemplated by the 1982 resolution
4 that is attached as Exhibit B, or is it more that you
5 have --

6 A We have assumed.

7 Q You have assumed, okay. So we don't have something
8 nice and neat like an attachment that gives us a list
9 of assets in '82?

10 A No. The other part of the difficulty that we have got
11 is with a lot of these trust deeds we don't have the
12 originals. So we don't -- in some cases there may have
13 been attachments that we --

14 Q Don't have?

15 A -- don't have. And we have got copies of copies of
16 copies for the most part of all of our documents.

17 Q Okay. That helps me. I was trying to just understand
18 that.

19 So have you had an opportunity to talk to Walter
20 Felix Twin about whether he was aware of any assets
21 that were intended to be transferred into the 1982
22 Trust, and that is the resolution that we are looking
23 at at Exhibit B, that are not listed in Exhibit D of
24 your September 12th, 2011 Affidavit?

25 A The trustees and Walter Felix was part of that process
26 of determining when we started trying to collect the
27 information. To his recollection at the time, as I

1 recall, he didn't point out that there were any other
2 assets. But we didn't ask him specifically if there
3 were, but he didn't say, you know, there were other
4 assets that were also included in this because all that
5 we were looking at was tracing what was in the '82
6 Trust and what ended up in the '85 Trust.

7 Q Understood. You didn't go back to what existed just
8 before the '82 Trust was created, and whether or not we
9 have got something that tells us what exactly was
10 intended in this document when it says settled certain
11 assets?

12 A No, we don't know what the certain assets are, for
13 sure.

14 Q Is Walter well enough to discuss any of this at the
15 moment?

16 A Probably not.

17 Q Okay.

18 A No, he is probably not in very good frame of mind to be
19 able to discuss this.

20 Q Sorry, is it health related?

21 A Yes, he is sort of starting to lose memory.

22 Q Okay. Had you, prior to Walter Felix's health issues,
23 had he been asked to check his own records?

24 A Yes.

25 Q He has. And he found nothing around those issues?

26 A No. All of the trustees were asked to provide all of
27 the records or copies of all of the records that they

1 had in their possession to me so that we could create a
2 filing system with all of the records. They provided
3 everything that they had.

4 Q Okay.

5 A And what we have provided you wasn't in their
6 possession, it was in the possession of Deloitte's, or
7 the companies, or ...

8 Q Is George Twin still alive?

9 A No, he is dead.

10 Q When did he pass?

11 A '86.

12 Q We have asked for some undertakings around contact with
13 Dave Fennell and David Jones. If they actually respond
14 I would ask you to inquire with them whether or not
15 they have got either a recollection or documentation
16 that would provide a list of the certain assets that
17 were intended to be referred to in the Exhibit B, so
18 this is the --

19 MS. BONORA: In Undertaking 14 and 15 we have
20 undertaken to write to them to get any documents they
21 have about the transfer. So that will be encompassed
22 in those undertakings. We don't need a separate
23 undertaking of that.

24 MS. HUTCHISON: All right. As long as that is
25 understood. And also just to be clear, if they have
26 got any sort of a schedule or a list that would have
27 originally been attached to the 1982 Declaration of

1 Trust we would like a copy.

2 MS. BONORA: We are going to ask for a
3 comprehensive request about any documents they have.

4 MS. HUTCHISON: Great.

5 MS. BONORA: I'm not going to give any more
6 specific undertakings than our general request for them
7 if they have any documents.

8 MS. HUTCHISON: As long as you and I are on the
9 same page about what is relevant. That is what I am
10 looking for.

11 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Do you recall if you made a
12 specific request of Mr. Ewoniak or Deloitte for whether
13 or not there was a schedule or a list of assets that
14 was attached to either Exhibit D or Exhibit A of your
15 September 12th, 2012 Affidavit?

16 A Yes. While we were tracing we asked everybody that we
17 could ask if they had any documents relating to the
18 transfer of assets from '82 to '85.

19 Q Right.

20 A So yes, we asked everybody if they had. That was as a
21 matter of course. So the companies were asked,
22 Deloitte's was asked, any of the law firms that we were
23 in contact with were asked as well, and the trustees
24 were asked. So everybody was asked.

25 Q I appreciate, Mr. Bujold, that they have been asked
26 about the transfer from '82 to '85. What I am also
27 really looking for here is the transfer from pre 1982

1 into 1982. So that is what we are talking about here
2 with Exhibit B and Exhibit A. Have those requests been
3 made?

4 A No, because of what we -- the way that the request was
5 formatted was do you have any documents related to any
6 of the Sawridge Trusts. So that was the '82 Trust, the
7 '85 Trust, and the '86 Trust. Do you have any
8 documents relating to any transactions done by any of
9 these three Trusts. And at the time I think that we
10 thought that there were four Trusts because we thought
11 '83 was actually a separate trust, but it turned out
12 that it was just an extension of the '82. So we did
13 ask in that format. So we have never asked for
14 information about what the First Nation held before,
15 and that has always been a very sensitive subject in
16 any case.

17 Q So what I am interested in, Mr. Bujold, is an
18 undertaking to locate, and we have talked about many of
19 the sources of information, so I will let you and your
20 counsel discuss what sources that you have got, but to
21 locate and provide any documentation you may have that
22 would assist us in determining what certain assets were
23 to be settled into the 1982 Trust as that term, certain
24 assets, is being used in Exhibit B and in terms of the
25 intention of the settlement in Exhibit A, the 1982
26 Trust.

27 MS. BONORA:

I think that actually that inquiry

1 has been made in the sense that this is clearly taking
2 the assets that were previously held by individuals and
3 transferred into the Trust. This document doesn't make
4 reference to a schedule. So there isn't going to be a
5 schedule to this document as far as when you read the
6 face of it there isn't a schedule anticipated. When we
7 look again at Exhibit D which Mr. Bujold made reference
8 to, that is a document that talks about a transfer from
9 the individual to the Trust. So again, this is a
10 document talking about assets held prior and --

11 MS. HUTCHISON: Ms. Bonora, I do appreciate you
12 being very helpful and I do appreciate it. But based
13 on Mr. Bujold's answers, I am just going to leave that
14 undertaking on the record. If you want to take it
15 under advisement I completely understand. But based on
16 his actual responses to my inquiries I will leave my
17 undertaking on the record.

18 MS. BONORA: I am going to say that we won't
19 give the undertaking because we believe that it has
20 been answered. That all of the documents have been
21 produced. That is the answer, and so we will not give
22 that undertaking.

23 MS. HUTCHISON: It is refused?

24 MS. BONORA: The undertaking isn't refused
25 because there are no other documents that will be
26 produced. I am satisfied in having reviewed documents
27 that there are no other documents. I can't give you an

1 undertaking to do a search to tell you that there is
2 going to be nothing. We are answering the undertaking.
3 The answer to the undertaking is there are no other
4 documents. So we are not refusing the undertaking, we
5 are answering it.

6 MS. HUTCHISON: I am going to leave the undertaking
7 on the record and we will all get to read transcripts
8 in due course and let's put it under advisement so that
9 you are not committed.

10 MS. BONORA: No, I'm telling you that I am
11 providing the answer. The answer is that there will be
12 no other documents. I can tell you -- I can't go away
13 and review it again.

14 MS. HUTCHISON: Let's go off.

15 (Discussion off the Record.)

16 MS. BONORA: We will give the undertaking with
17 respect to making an inquiry on whether there are any
18 documents that show assets that were held in trust by
19 individuals of Sawridge First Nation that were
20 transferred into the 1982 Trust.

21 MS. HUTCHISON: I will go with my initial wording
22 on the undertaking, but I understand.

23 MS. BONORA: Then I need to understand what your
24 initial wording was. So just tell me what your
25 undertaking is.

26 MS. HUTCHISON: I am asking for an undertaking for
27 you to inquire of all of the various individuals and

1 sources that we have already discussed to find out if
2 they have any documentation or information that would
3 assist us in understanding what specific assets were
4 intended to be settled as the certain assets referred
5 to in Exhibit B, and what specific assets were intended
6 to be included in the Declaration of Trust that we see
7 at Exhibit A. So whether it is schedules, a list,
8 someone's recollection, we are trying to determine
9 which of the pre '82 assets, I will call them, were
10 intended to be transferred into the 1982 Trust vehicle.
11 Is that making sense?

12 MS. BONORA: I'm having some trouble with
13 intention. The idea that they were -- the assets were
14 to be transferred, because even if there was an
15 intention, if they actually weren't transferred it had
16 to actually be formulated. They might have talked
17 about having an intention. It had to be formulated
18 into a transfer, right.

19 MS. HUTCHISON: I am trying to determine what -- I
20 think can we leave it on the record as that
21 undertaking, Ms. Bonora, and we will go from there. I
22 am looking -- I think that --

23 MS. BONORA: I will take that undertaking under
24 advisement.

25 MS. HUTCHISON: Super.

26 UNDERTAKING NO. 17: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)
27 RE INQUIRE OF THE VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS

1 AND SOURCES PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED TO
2 DETERMINE IF THEY HAVE ANY DOCUMENTATION
3 OR INFORMATION THAT WOULD ASSIST IN
4 UNDERSTANDING WHAT SPECIFIC ASSETS WERE
5 INTENDED TO BE SETTLED AS THE CERTAIN
6 ASSETS REFERRED TO IN EXHIBIT B, AND
7 WHAT SPECIFIC ASSETS WERE INTENDED TO BE
8 INCLUDED IN THE DECLARATION OF TRUST AT
9 EXHIBIT A.

10 (Questioning adjourned 12:00 p.m.)

11 (Questioning resumed 1:30 p.m.)

12 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, you acknowledge that
13 you are still under oath?

14 A Yes.

15 Q So going back, Mr. Bujold, to paragraph 7, 8, 9 and 10
16 of your September 12th, 2011 Affidavit, what I am sort
17 of focusing on there is that if I understand what you
18 are saying your belief is that, and I apologize, I am
19 actually looking at paragraph 22, so you indicate that
20 your belief is that all of the assets from the 1982
21 Trust were actually transferred over to the 1985 Trust?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Now so I understand the basis of your understanding of
24 that, it is from talking to Ron Ewoniak, talking to the
25 trustees, looking at the documents that your counsel
26 has provided informally to me today and we are getting
27 by way of undertaking. What else was forming it to

1 your understanding?

2 A It is primarily in connection with the documents,
3 because people's recollection, like even talking to Ron
4 Ewoniak he couldn't identify this asset was
5 transferred. I mean he may have sort of a general
6 recollection about, you know, these property assets, or
7 this share or whatever, but it is primarily the
8 Deloitte's financial statements and the T3s that gave
9 us any lead as to what the transfer is that took place.
10 And then the '83 Trust document that sort of lists some
11 of the assets. But that is the sort of -- that is the
12 closest connection that we can make, given the
13 documentation that is available to us.

14 Q Okay. So there is nothing that we haven't discussed
15 already today, at least, that you are relying on when
16 you say that you believe that all of the '82 Trust
17 property was transferred into the '85 Trust?

18 A No. I mean there isn't any -- in terms of
19 documentation, and that is all that I have relied on
20 primarily is the documentation, there isn't any other
21 document that has led me to believe that there is any
22 outstanding asset that wasn't transferred from the '82
23 to the '85 Trust.

24 Q Okay. Now looking at paragraph 24 of your Affidavit
25 you are talking about, you say the transfers were done
26 but the documentation is not currently available.

27 At the time that you swore the Affidavit were there

1 other avenues that you were trying to explore to get
2 documentation? Is that what you were intending to
3 communicate?

4 A No. What -- I don't know what we were intending to
5 communicate in terms of in the future -- because we had
6 exhausted -- we had done an exhaustive search from 2009
7 until this date. We had done an exhaustive search of
8 documents to try and collect them, and we scanned them
9 into our system. And I had gone through every single
10 document that came in.

11 Q Okay. So it wasn't, when you swore this Affidavit, it
12 wasn't that you were aware of some other potential
13 repository of documentation. It is that you are just
14 communicating that there is documentation that you
15 haven't located and may not be available?

16 A I guess what we are communicating is if there is any
17 document that would indicate otherwise, we aren't aware
18 of it, nor are we aware of if there is any hidden
19 repository of documents. We just -- we have done an
20 exhaustive search ourselves. What we have got is what
21 we have got. We don't expect to find anything else.
22 You sort of -- at the initial phase you get a whole
23 bunch of documents, and then in the end it is a trickle
24 of one document here. I mean the Deloitte stuff was at
25 the end of this process when we finally -- we finally
26 felt that we had exhausted all search possibilities.

27 Q Okay. So just on that, on what you had done in terms

1 of searching, had any inquiries been made to Canada
2 Revenue Agency, CRA, to see if they had documentation
3 through their archives or their records that would be
4 of assistance?

5 A No, because we had the T3s from Deloitte's and we had
6 some correspondence, some early correspondence between
7 Canada Revenue Agency and First Nation about assets and
8 Indian Affairs. So there was sort of three, you know,
9 three-party communication going on about these assets
10 and the transfers out of the First Nation capital
11 revenue account into these Trusts and into assets. So
12 we had that and we still do have those documents. Then
13 we had Deloitte's. So we didn't think that Canada
14 Revenue Agency would have any more than the T3s because
15 that is what was filed officially, along with the
16 financial statement.

17 Q I take it you did make inquiries with the Department of
18 Indian Affairs or INAC to see if they had any
19 documentation relevant to the assets of the band pre
20 '82, and then --

21 A No, we didn't. And again, we had correspondence
22 between the First Nation and Indian Affairs, whatever
23 it was called at that time. And it was about the
24 transfer of money out of capital revenue into various
25 assets, primarily the assets that were related to the
26 Trust. So the Slave Lake Hotel -- the building of the
27 Slave Lake Hotel, there was a lot of correspondence

1 around that. So we didn't inquire if there was any
2 further information.

3 Q Not even to the regional office?

4 A No.

5 Q How about inquiries with the Sawridge Trust Banking
6 institution?

7 A Yes.

8 Q You made those inquiries?

9 A Yes, we inquired -- they primarily dealt with
10 Scotiabank, so we inquired with Scotiabank on all of
11 the records. We wanted copies of all of their bank
12 statements and all of their cancelled cheques going
13 back to the beginning. They were able to provide that
14 a limited period of time because they destroy all of
15 their documents after, I think it is seven years. So
16 they had destroyed all of the documents when I made the
17 inquiry, they had destroyed everything past a certain
18 date. And I think that I got back to 2001 or something
19 like that.

20 Q So nothing that went back as far as either the
21 individual to '82 Trust transfer, or '82 Trust transfer
22 to '85 Trust transfer?

23 A Definitely not. So they had destroyed everything, all
24 of the records that I had -- past the date that I got
25 which I think was 2001.

26 Q Okay. And we have established that you made inquiries
27 with Deloitte's?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Were they the only accountant that the Trust were using
3 from --

4 A No. Well, they were the only accounting company that
5 was used. The First Nation and the Trust and the
6 companies used various bookkeepers, internal
7 bookkeepers. So there was a lot of internal
8 bookkeeping documents that we were able to access
9 through the companies.

10 Q Anything that related to, so I am going to say from pre
11 '82 transfer to --

12 A Nothing.

13 Q Nothing?

14 A Nothing from pre '82 to '82. Nothing really from '82
15 to '85. A little bit -- it sort of was a trickle at
16 the beginning because the companies didn't really
17 function as organized entities until the late '80s,
18 early '90s. So that is about when the accounting
19 records, the company records start showing up, is late
20 '80s, about '88 to '92 you start seeing sort of a
21 growing number of records. But they weren't -- even
22 then, they weren't complete. The companies hadn't --
23 like some of the documents had been stored, because the
24 First Nation was doing the accounting for the Trusts
25 and the companies, as well as their own accounting. So
26 we had -- they provided what they had left.

27 Q Okay.

1 A We were able to go through their storage facility to
2 see what they had. A lot of what they had were bar
3 chits from Slave Lake Hotel, you know, which doesn't
4 tell us anything about the transfer of assets. So, you
5 know, there was those kinds of documents. There was
6 more company operating documents or business sales
7 documents rather than transfer of assets. So the
8 transfer of asset information came primarily from
9 Deloitte's and from the T3s and from the legal
10 documents that we were able to gather together from the
11 company that it had stored for the Trusts. And that
12 was basically it.

13 Q Okay.

14 MS. BONORA: Can we go off the record for a
15 second.

16 (Discussion off the Record.)

17 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, I am going to ask you
18 to undertake to make inquiries with CRA and the
19 Department of Indian Affairs to determine whether or
20 not they may have documents relevant to several
21 periods. The first period would be documents that
22 would assist in any way in showing what assets were
23 intended to be included within the Trust settlement
24 that we find at Exhibit A, the 1982 Trust or
25 Declaration of Trust, and then any documentation that
26 would assist in showing us what happened with the
27 transfer from the 1982 Trust to the 1985 Trust, and

1 obviously if they have no documentation that is my
2 answer. But my understanding is at this point we don't
3 know. So I would ask you to inquire of those two
4 entities.

5 A With CRA and Indian Affairs?

6 Q And Department of Indian Affairs, yes. That would
7 include obviously the regional office, but I think that
8 you have to make the request through Ottawa. So I will
9 leave that with your counsel.

10 MS. BONORA: So I mean obviously CRA is only
11 going to have filings, right, so we are going to make
12 inquiries with respect to filings they may have with
13 respect to the 1982 Trust and the 1985 Trust; is that
14 correct? I just need to understand the undertaking,
15 and what time period you are looking for, because there
16 would have been filings for the '82 Trust and the --
17 the '82 Trust up to 1985 and then the 1985 Trust up to
18 the present. So I don't know what time period you want
19 us to ask for filings from the CRA.

20 MS. HUTCHISON: Well, certainly the time period --
21 any time period for the '85 Trust that is going to give
22 us insight into the transfer from the 1982 Trust to the
23 1985 Trust. I can't say at this point in time if that
24 is only '85 and '86, or if there might be relevant
25 documentation beyond that date because I don't know
26 what they might have and we don't have a complete
27 record, so.

1 In relation to the transfer from the 1982 Trust
2 into the '85 Trust, so the period prior to that,
3 frankly I would say that any information that is going
4 to give us insight into what assets are being held by
5 individuals in trust for the band that were intended to
6 form part of the 1982 Trust is potentially relevant.

7 MS. BONORA: I won't give the undertaking to
8 inquire of the CRA with respect to intentions.

9 MS. HUTCHISON: No, Ms. Bonora, that is not my
10 point. And I'm not asking you to inquire of the CRA
11 with respect to intentions. I am asking you to inquire
12 of them with respect to documentation that may assist
13 us into determining what assets existed prior to the
14 creation of the 1982 Trust, and were to be transferred
15 -- we have nothing in front of us right now that
16 definitively tells us what the certain assets that were
17 to form part of the 1982 Trust were.

18 Mr. Bujold has been very frank with me that he is
19 assuming the list for the 1983 transfer was the whole
20 list of assets that were being contemplated in 1982,
21 but we don't know that. So there is, frankly, at the
22 moment a complete lack of information about the
23 specifics of the assets that were being held by
24 individuals from the early 1970s until just prior to
25 the creation of the 1982 Trust.

26 So if there is documentation in possession of the
27 Department of Indian Affairs or CRA that assists us in

1 filling in that blank we would certainly take the
2 position it is relevant to your application to
3 regularize all of these transfers.

4 MS. BONORA: So what I would say to you is we
5 will not give the undertaking to determine all of the
6 assets that were being held by individuals for Sawridge
7 First Nation. That is not relevant to us, it is not
8 relevant to the Trust, and we are not regularizing the
9 transfer into the '82 Trust, only the transfer between
10 the '82 Trust and the '85 Trust. So we are not saying
11 that there is anything wrong with the transfers that
12 happened in '82. We are not asking the court to look
13 at those transfers. Just so that you understand what
14 our application is about.

15 The transfer that we think has some problems
16 because we are missing some documents -- we believe we
17 are missing documents -- is between '82 and '85. So we
18 are not asking the court to regularize anything pre '82
19 or in '82 because that transfer and those transactions
20 happened absolutely regularly.

21 In respect of CRA, they will not have documents in
22 relation to this trust prior to its first filing in
23 '83. It would have had a year-end and then filed in
24 '83. We can provide you with -- we can ask CRA for the
25 filings of these Trusts between '82 and '86, for sure
26 we will give that undertaking. There would be nothing
27 else. And so I am prepared to give that undertaking.

1 With respect to the Department of Indian Affairs,
2 we can ask them about whether they have any knowledge
3 of intention, I don't know if they will, so knowledge
4 of intention to transfer assets into the '82 Trust and
5 we can ask them about any knowledge that they have
6 about the transfers that actually occurred into the '82
7 Trust. So we will give that undertaking.

8 MS. HUTCHISON: Okay. And I will let my
9 undertaking stand on the record, and obviously you will
10 respond to the portions that you are accepting. Can we
11 go off for a second.

12 (Discussion off the Record.)

13 UNDERTAKING NO. 18:

14 RE INQUIRE OF CRA AND DEPARTMENT OF
15 INDIAN AFFAIRS TO DETERMINE IF THEY HAVE
16 DOCUMENTATION SHOWING WHAT ASSETS WERE
17 INTENDED TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE TRUST
18 SETTLEMENT AT EXHIBIT A, THE 1982 TRUST
19 OR DECLARATION OF TRUST, AND ANY
20 DOCUMENTATION INDICATING WHAT HAPPENED
21 WITH THE TRANSFER FROM THE 1982 TRUST TO
22 THE 1985 TRUST.

23 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, if you could just flip
24 to again your Affidavit of September 12th, 2011, and I
25 am looking at paragraph 11 which is also related to
26 Exhibit C. And I just wanted to be sure that I wasn't
27 misunderstanding something. Your Affidavit refers to a

1 court order entered June 17th, 2003, but it looks as
2 though Exhibit C is actually a 1983 document. I just
3 wanted to be sure that we were both of the same
4 understanding about that. I think that there is just a
5 typographical error in your Affidavit. I just wanted
6 to confirm.

7 A Where is the typographical?

8 Q Paragraph 11 of your Affidavit says the '82 Trust was
9 varied by court order entered on June 17th, 2003 to
10 stagger the terms. When I turn to your Exhibit C,
11 which is the court order, it says 1983. I just wanted
12 to be sure that there is not some other court order
13 that varies the Trust.

14 A Oh, oh, oh, I see. No, it is the one.

15 Q So the 1983 court order at Exhibit C is the only order
16 that you are aware of that varies the terms of the '82
17 Trust before it was wrapped up?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Okay. Thank you. Now turning to paragraph 15 and then
20 18 of your September 12th, 2011 Affidavit, Mr. Bujold.
21 The last sentence of paragraph 15 and then paragraph
22 18, I read those as your understanding to some degree
23 of the purpose of the '85 Trust?

24 A Yes.

25 Q What were you basing your understanding on, other than
26 just the text of the Trust deed itself, or the Trust
27 declaration, if anything?

1 A I was basing this on documents and conversations that I
2 have had with various individuals including the
3 trustees about the reason for the establishment of the
4 1985 Trust.

5 Q Okay. So which trustees did you discuss that with?

6 A All of them.

7 Q All of them, okay. Can you give me a bit of a summary
8 of what -- let's start with Catherine Twinn, what her
9 recollection was about the purposes or intention of the
10 Trust?

11 A What the purpose of the Trust was to provide for the
12 economic future of the members of the Sawridge First
13 Nation. That was pretty much understood by everybody.

14 Q But not Bill C-31 individuals?

15 A Well --

16 Q At that time?

17 A Right, right.

18 Q At that time, okay. So when you say the members, you
19 mean the members that existed prior to --

20 A In 1985.

21 Q -- Bill 31, okay. And anything else that Catherine
22 Twinn was able to advise you on or inform you about on
23 the background or the purposes of the Trust?

24 A Well, the concern, and I can't remember exactly where I
25 got the information, but I remember from looking at the
26 court record of the constitutional challenge on Bill
27 C-31, and some of the testimony of Walter, Chief Walter

1 Twinn at that, in the discoveries of that case, and
2 also other testimony that he had given, that there was
3 concern that there would be a huge increase in the
4 membership of the Sawridge First Nation caused by the
5 provisions of Bill C-31. And in an effort to preserve
6 the assets for those people who had stayed with the
7 First Nation that the provisions of the 1995 Trust was
8 set up.

9 Q Anything else that you recall from your discussions
10 with Catherine?

11 A No, no.

12 Q Was Bertha L'Hirondelle able to add anything to that?

13 A No, they basically all said the same thing. You know,
14 it was the concern of Chief Twinn and all of the
15 members of the First Nation at the time were that there
16 would be this huge influx as a result of Bill C-31.

17 Q Okay. So rather than go through each trustee
18 individually, was there any discussion that you had
19 with any of the other trustees that amplified that
20 understanding or added to your information that you can
21 recall?

22 A No, that was -- I mean that pretty much --

23 Q Captured it?

24 A -- captured it, yeah.

25 Q Did you prepare memorandums or summaries of your
26 discussions with the trustees on those topics?

27 A No.

1 Q Okay. Would any of the discussions have occurred by
2 email, do you know, or in a written format?

3 A No.

4 Q Okay. To the extent that you have got any records, or
5 any actual documentation of, you know, written
6 documentation that supports your understanding as set
7 out in paragraph 15 and 18 of your September 12th, 2011
8 Affidavit, if you could undertake to provide us with
9 copies, that would be appreciated.

10 A These two pieces, as I recall, are primarily related to
11 an extract from the testimony of Chief Twinn where he
12 explained these two pieces exactly the way they are
13 explained here.

14 Q Okay. Interesting issue about whether it is producible
15 in this proceeding or not, but I am still going to ask
16 for the undertaking to produce it so that we can take a
17 look at it.

18 MS. BONORA: I will take that under advisement.

19 MS. HUTCHISON: Okay.

20 MS. BONORA: I will, for your benefit, in terms
21 of one answer to that undertaking is going to be
22 Exhibit H already to the Affidavit, which sets out
23 exactly that history on the resolution of the trustees
24 and why they created the '85 Trust. So that document
25 is already produced.

26 UNDERTAKING NO. 19: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)
27 RE PRODUCE WRITTEN DOCUMENTATION THAT

1 SUPPORTS THE UNDERSTANDING SET OUT IN
2 PARAGRAPH 15 AND 18 OF MR. BUJOLD'S
3 SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2011 AFFIDAVIT.

4 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, let's go back to your
5 August 30th Affidavit, if we could. So starting with
6 paragraph 7, Mr. Bujold. The direction that you are
7 referring to there from the trustees to place
8 advertisements to collect the names of individuals who
9 may be beneficiaries of the 1985 Trust, was that
10 communication between you and the trustees in writing,
11 verbal? How did that occur?

12 A The advice was provided by legal counsel to the
13 trustees at the time. And it was discussed at board
14 meetings and minuted, and the decision was made and it
15 was just carried out based on the decision of the
16 trustees.

17 Q Okay. Clearly I don't want any -- well, I might want
18 privileged information but I can't have it. To the
19 extent that there is anything in the minutes that is
20 not privileged, but that deals with this topic, if you
21 could undertake to provide us with a copy?

22 A Okay.

23 Q Thank you.

24 UNDERTAKING NO. 20:

25 RE PRODUCE ANY PORTION OF BOARD MEETING
26 MINUTES DEALING WITH THE DIRECTION
27 REFERENCED IN PARAGRAPH 7 OF MR.

BUJOLD'S AUGUST 30, 2011 AFFIDAVIT.

1
2 Q MS. HUTCHISON: You then went ahead and carried out
3 that direction by placing advertisements. Do you
4 recall what publications you put advertisements in?

5 A Yes.

6 Q And what were they?

7 A I couldn't tell you off the top of my head. I recall
8 they were all the -- I mean we went to, our office was
9 located on the south side right next to the Local
10 Newspaper Association of Western Canada or something
11 like that. So I said to them give me the names of all
12 of the newspapers. And they said you just can place an
13 ad and it will place in all of the local newspapers,
14 and in certain city newspapers.

15 Q Okay.

16 A So that is how we determined who to send it to. I just
17 had to determine the territory, and that was Alberta,
18 Saskatchewan, and British Columbia. I don't think we
19 eventually went to Manitoba, or -- I am not sure if we
20 went to Manitoba.

21 Q If I could ask you to undertake to check your records
22 and advise us which publications you advertised in?

23 A Okay.

24 Q And how regularly that advertisement appeared and over
25 what period of time?

26 A All right.

27 Q Okay. And also if I could ask you to undertake to

1 provide us with a copy of the advertisement?

2 A The newspaper ad?

3 Q Yes.

4 A Yes.

5 Q I am assuming it was one, an identical ad that --

6 A It was a standard ad, and it was ran twice.

7 Q Okay.

8 UNDERTAKING NO. 21:

9 RE ADVISE WHICH PUBLICATIONS WERE
10 ADVERTISED IN, HOW REGULARLY, AND OVER
11 WHAT PERIOD OF TIME. ALSO PROVIDE COPY
12 OF ADVERTISEMENT.

13 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Now I understand from your
14 Affidavit then, Mr. Bujold, that after that ad was
15 placed you did receive some inquiries, perhaps
16 correspondence. You got some feedback from potential
17 beneficiaries?

18 A That is right.

19 Q Tell me what you recall about that. Was it phone call,
20 emails, letters?

21 A There was phone calls, emails, letters, faxes just
22 inquiring, because the ad also said that they should
23 get in touch and we would send them out a package.

24 Q Okay. So what sort of volume of documentation are we
25 talking about for responses?

26 A I think it was about 192 in total.

27 Q Okay.

1 A I can check actually.

2 Q I am going to ask you to undertake to give us copies of
3 any documentation that you got. You don't have to do
4 it right now.

5 A I have got a list, I can tell you the number. No?

6 Q I would ask you to undertake to provide us with copies
7 of any responses you received to the newspaper ads.
8 And that may be letters, faxes, emails. If they were
9 phone calls and you kept notes of the discussions?

10 A I didn't, because primarily what the newspaper ad says
11 is get in touch with us, we will send you an
12 application package. And so that is basically -- I
13 didn't keep any notes of who called in, other than to
14 get their name, address, telephone number, and then I
15 would send them by mail a package which included an
16 application form and a letter.

17 Q And that is the letter at Exhibit D of your Affidavit?

18 A Yes, that is it exactly.

19 UNDERTAKING NO. 22:

20 RE PROVIDE ANY RESPONSES RECEIVED TO
21 NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT.

22 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Okay. Sorry, you sent that letter.
23 You also sent an application form?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Was that an application form for membership in the
26 Sawridge First Nation?

27 A No, it was an application form -- it wasn't actually an

1 application form in terms of applying for something.

2 It was an application form to give us information about
3 whether or not they were potential beneficiaries. And
4 they had to -- the form, we spent a fair amount of time
5 figuring out what information we would require in order
6 to determine who was an eligible beneficiary or not.
7 And so those categories were sort of listed out on the
8 form.

9 Q Could I ask you to undertake to get us a copy of that
10 standard form that was sent out?

11 A Yes.

12 UNDERTAKING NO. 23:

13 RE PRODUCE COPY OF STANDARD FORM THAT
14 WAS SENT OUT TO THOSE WHO RESPONDED TO
15 AD.

16 Q MS. HUTCHISON: I take it some people returned them
17 filled out?

18 A Sort of.

19 Q Okay. Could I ask you to undertake to give us copies
20 of any, whether they were complete or partially
21 complete, anything that you got back in response to
22 sending that application out to people?

23 A Okay.

24 UNDERTAKING NO. 24:

25 RE PRODUCE COPIES OF ANY COMPLETED OR
26 PARTIALLY COMPLETED APPLICATIONS
27 RECEIVED BACK.

1 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Okay. So in paragraph 9 of your
2 Affidavit where you say correspondence with potential
3 beneficiaries of the 1985 Trust, you are just referring
4 to the form letter dated November 24th, 2009 attached
5 as Exhibit D?

6 A That is right.

7 Q There weren't sort of individualized communications
8 beyond that?

9 A No.

10 Q Okay. Have you checked your records for that, for
11 additional communications with potential beneficiaries
12 other than the November 29th, 2009 letter?

13 A I am not sure that -- the purpose of the newspaper ad
14 was just to get them to contact us and request the
15 application form and to get this information letter.

16 Q Right.

17 A It wasn't to enter into a dialogue with them. So I
18 discouraged any dialogue overtures. And there were
19 lots of dialogue overtures. So there were a lot of
20 people who wanted to have extensive discussions over
21 the phone about why they should be members of the First
22 Nation, and I said this has nothing to do with the
23 First Nation, it is just the Trust. There were a lot
24 of people who wanted to discuss why should they -- why
25 they should get Indian status. I said I have nothing
26 to do with your Indian status. You need to get in
27 touch with Indian Affairs in order to get Indian

1 status. So there was, you know -- and then there were
2 people who said, you know, I have already done that and
3 I have been refused. I still think that I should be a
4 beneficiary of the Trust. I said well, you know, that
5 is not the way that it works. You fill out the
6 application, we will look at your application, and we
7 will get back to you.

8 Q Okay. And --

9 A So this was mainly phone stuff.

10 Q And it doesn't sound from our discussions thus far that
11 you were keeping notes of those telephone discussions?

12 A No, no.

13 Q Okay. And just moving to paragraph 10 of your
14 Affidavit where you are referring to the list that you
15 had compiled?

16 A Yes.

17 Q I take it that that list was developed based on the
18 responses that you got to the November 24th, 2009
19 letter?

20 A That is right.

21 Q And could I ask you to undertake to give us a copy of
22 that letter?

23 A We have it here if you want.

24 Q I will ask your counsel to give it to us as an
25 undertaking. I suspect that we will be back to chat
26 about a few of the undertakings.

27 MS. BONORA: Just to be clear, paragraph 10

1 makes reference to a list of the following people
2 respecting the administration, and then there is a
3 series of subparagraphs. So I just want to be clear,
4 obviously Sawridge First Nation is just one person,
5 paragraph (a). So just to be clear about the
6 undertaking --

7 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Sorry, I'm talking about -- my
8 understanding, Mr. Bujold, is that in paragraph 10 you
9 list some categories of individuals that are on your
10 list, but you actually have got a list with people's
11 names on it; is that correct?

12 A Right. It is not by category.

13 Q So your Affidavit has set out the categories of
14 individuals but the list that you are talking about at
15 the start of paragraph 10 is a list of people's names,
16 right?

17 A Right.

18 Q So I am looking for the list of people's names.

19 A So just the list.

20 MS. BONORA: List of people's names.

21 MS. HUTCHISON: Yes. The list that Mr. Bujold is
22 referring to specifically in paragraph 10, which I
23 understand exists as a document.

24 MS. BONORA: Understand that paragraph 10 ends
25 with a colon and the list with the following persons is
26 a reference to all of (a) to (i).

27 MS. HUTCHISON: Ms. Bonora, the witness has

1 actually given evidence that a list exists with a list
2 of individuals' names. And I am sorry, when I look at
3 paragraph 10 I consider that to include all of the
4 subparagraphs. Paragraph 10 is multiple paragraphs.
5 Regardless, I am looking for, when swearing his
6 Affidavit he was referring to a list of persons. He
7 has told me that such a list exists and it has people's
8 names on it, not divided up into categories, just
9 individuals' names. That is the list that I am looking
10 for.

11 MS. BONORA: So that list of persons is what,
12 just so that we are clear on the undertaking. The list
13 of persons that what?

14 MS. HUTCHISON: I'm reading from Mr. Bujold's
15 Affidavit, that he believes may have an interest in the
16 application for the opinion, advice, and direction of
17 the court.

18 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, is there another list
19 that --

20 A Well, there is a number of lists actually. There is
21 three separate lists.

22 Q What are the three lists?

23 A There is the list of all of the people who applied, or
24 who gave information in the process that we undertook
25 in the newspaper ad.

26 Q So everyone --

27 A Everybody who filled out the application form.

1 Q Got you.

2 A Then there is a list of band members.

3 Q Okay.

4 A And then there is a list of all of those people who are
5 affiliated with Sawridge First Nation by Indian
6 Affairs, but are not members of Sawridge First Nation.
7 So they are considered by Indian Affairs to be somehow
8 affiliated with Sawridge First Nation, and so they are
9 listed with a 454 number.

10 Q Okay.

11 A You understand the band numbering system?

12 Q I do, yes.

13 A They are listed with the 454 number by Indian Affairs,
14 but they are not members of the Sawridge First Nation.
15 So those are the three lists that we have.

16 Q So I will ask you to undertake to provide us with a
17 copy of all three lists, and I am assuming that one of
18 those lists is the list that you were referring to in
19 paragraph 10, at least?

20 A Yes, paragraph 10 and 11.

21 Q Great, okay. So we will ask for an undertaking for all
22 three lists.

23 UNDERTAKING NO. 25:

24 RE PRODUCE ALL THREE LISTS REFERENCED IN
25 PARAGRAPH 10 AND 11 OF MR. BUJOLD'S
26 AUGUST 30, 2011 AFFIDAVIT.

27 Q MS. HUTCHISON: One point, Mr. Bujold. Paragraph

1 12 of your Affidavit, at least at the time that you
2 have sworn the Affidavit, you were indicating that the
3 Minister wouldn't provide a list of the individuals
4 affiliated, considered by the Department of Indian
5 Affairs to be affiliated with Sawridge First Nation. I
6 take it that you have provided it since?

7 A No.

8 Q So how did you get a list of the individuals?

9 A We were able to obtain a copy of the 2001 pay list from
10 a regional office that used to exist in High Prairie.
11 So we -- but it doesn't have any addresses on. So when
12 we had to notify -- when Justice Thomas asked us to
13 notify all of these individuals we explained to him
14 that we didn't have addresses for these individuals.
15 So we were told to request the Minister to send out
16 notification to all of the individuals on this list, on
17 the pay list.

18 Q Okay.

19 A As it existed as of this date. So the only list that
20 we have got are the affiliates as of 2001.

21 Q Okay. And as far as you know the Minister, or
22 Department of Indian Affairs did send those notices
23 out?

24 A They said that they would and I got telephone calls
25 from some people who said they had received such a
26 letter from the Minister's office, so.

27 Q Have you seen a copy of the letter from the Minister's

1 office?

2 A No, I didn't actually, although we did provide the
3 Minister with a copy of the letter that we were sending
4 out to the other lists.

5 Q Okay.

6 A So that they could use that as their framework.

7 Q And that is the letter at Exhibit D of your Affidavit
8 or is that a different --

9 A Is that the November --

10 Q November 24th, 2009 letter?

11 A No, this is a different letter that was as a result of
12 our application for advice and direction. So it was
13 specifically saying we are going to court to apply for
14 advice and direction, and it was sent by registered --
15 that is it.

16 Q I am showing you a September 1st, 2011 letter to the
17 Public Trustee. Does that look familiar?

18 A That is it, yes.

19 Q So that would be --

20 A This is the letter that we also sent to the Department
21 of Indian Affairs to use as a model. So I don't know
22 if they used this information or if they copied my
23 letter, or I don't know what they did.

24 Q They didn't send you a copy of it?

25 A No.

26 Q Could we mark that as Exhibit 3.

27 EXHIBIT NO. 3:

1 LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 1, 2011 FROM
2 SAWRIDGE TRUST TO THE OFFICE OF THE
3 PUBLIC TRUSTEE.

4 Q MS. HUTCHISON: So let's take a look at Exhibit D
5 of your August 30th Affidavit. That is the November
6 29th, 2009 letter, Mr. Bujold. So August 30th, 2011
7 Affidavit, Exhibit D, and it should be a November 24th,
8 2009?

9 A Okay.

10 Q So I am just looking near the bottom of the first page,
11 Mr. Bujold, where you indicate that there is a
12 statement that the two Trusts can operate together. So
13 just help me understand what you are describing there.
14 I mean I am assuming that there is no mixing of funds
15 or assets?

16 A No.

17 Q So what were you trying to communicate in terms of --

18 A That the two Trusts operate out of the same office.

19 Q Okay.

20 A With the same trustees and the same administration.

21 Q Okay. So it is simply a matter of the two Trusts using
22 the same infrastructure, as it were?

23 A That is right. I mean from a beneficiaries point of
24 view and from the most uninformed public people, they
25 wouldn't know about mixing of assets and all of that
26 other stuff, but ...

27 Q Great. Turning to page 2, and I am looking at the

1 third paragraph.

2 A It starts "whatever"?

3 Q "Whatever is relevant for these purposes." Again, we
4 talked a little bit about your understanding of what
5 the purposes of the Trust was. Was there anything
6 beyond what we have already discussed that you had in
7 mind when you were talking about the purposes of the
8 Trust here?

9 A No.

10 Q Your understanding of the purposes of the Trust when
11 you were writing this letter was again based on the
12 Trust deeds and discussions with the trustees?

13 A Yes. The letter, I should tell you, was drafted by our
14 legal counsel.

15 Q Okay.

16 A And I made some minor modifications for formatting and
17 that was about it.

18 Q Okay. So these are not necessarily your words?

19 A No.

20 Q Okay.

21 A And our legal counsel at the time was not Doris.

22 Q Okay. Going to the fifth paragraph it says, "Sawridge
23 Trusts are developing a web site".

24 A Yes.

25 Q And there is reference to the web site will list
26 programs currently available through the Trust. Is
27 that part of the web site developed at this point,

1 Mr. Bujold? Does it exist?

2 A We did set up the web site with the programs that
3 provided program descriptions, and then if people felt
4 that they -- if they were beneficiaries, if they were
5 identified beneficiaries and felt that they wanted
6 access to that program, they could click on the link
7 and I would get a message and I would then get in touch
8 with them. Nobody has used that so I have disconnected
9 that part.

10 Q Okay. Do you still have access to the information that
11 would have been set out for what programs were
12 available for the beneficiaries of the '85 Trust?

13 A There were no programs available to the beneficiaries
14 of the '85 Trust.

15 Q So it was only for the '86 Trust at that point in time?

16 A That is right, because we don't know who the
17 beneficiaries are for the '85 Trust.

18 Q Okay. So --

19 A And that is part of the infrastructure stuff that we
20 are talking about. We talk about this as if both
21 Trusts are involved all of the time, but.

22 Q They are not?

23 A But they are not.

24 Q Okay. That makes more sense to me, thank you,
25 Mr. Bujold. Now the next paragraph refers to an
26 attached flow chart in relation to this company.

27 A Yes.

1 Q Do you still have a copy of that flow chart?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Could you undertake to provide me with a copy of it,
4 please?

5 A Certainly.

6 Q Thank you.

7 UNDERTAKING NO. 26:

8 RE PRODUCE COPY OF FLOW CHART REFERENCED
9 ON PAGE 2 OF EXHIBIT D TO MR. BUJOLD'S
10 AUGUST 30, 2011 AFFIDAVIT.

11 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Will that flow chart let us know
12 who the directors and officers of Sawridge Holdings
13 Ltd. and 352736 Alberta Ltd. were in 2011?

14 A No.

15 Q Could you undertake to let me know who they were in
16 2011 and if there has been a change in the interim,
17 just let me know about the change?

18 A Okay.

19 MS. BONORA: I'm going to take that under
20 advisement because this letter from 2009 -- like do you
21 want to know as at the date in 2009? Is that your
22 question?

23 MS. HUTCHISON: As of the date in 2009, and then
24 changes subsequently, yes, thank you.

25 UNDERTAKING NO. 27: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)

26 RE ADVISE WHO THE DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS
27 OF SAWRIDGE HOLDINGS LTD. AND 352736

1 ALBERTA LTD. WERE IN 2011 AND ADVISE IF
2 THERE WERE ANY CHANGES IN THE INTERIM.

3 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Looking at the last paragraph, Mr.
4 Bujold, on page 2 there is reference to the resources
5 of each trust are limited. I am just curious, in this
6 process of reaching out to the potential beneficiaries
7 in 2009 and right up to just before filing the
8 application for advice and direction, were the
9 potential beneficiaries of the 1985 Trust told that,
10 you know, roughly what the total value of the Trust
11 was? Of the assets that were held by the '85 Trust?

12 A The potential beneficiaries?

13 Q Yes.

14 A No.

15 Q So the existing beneficiaries would have been aware of
16 that figure?

17 A No.

18 Q Okay. I guess I am trying to understand what was your
19 purpose in talking about limited resources of the '85
20 Trust when it --

21 A There was a very good reason for that. One of the
22 reasons was that I was getting phone calls from people
23 saying I understand that the Trust is worth many
24 millions of dollars and I should get my share. I want
25 my share.

26 Q Okay.

27 A And my share should be 1 or 2 million.

1 Q So it was just sort of to stop the looting of the
2 store, as it were?

3 A That is right.

4 Q Okay. But it is individuals who got in touch as
5 potential beneficiaries requested that information,
6 were they told what the value of the Trust assets was?

7 A No, they weren't, because at the time the trustees felt
8 that potential beneficiaries were not beneficiaries and
9 therefore not entitled to any information about the
10 Trust until they were determined to be beneficiaries at
11 which time they would be -- they would have a legal
12 right to the information.

13 Q Okay.

14 A Potential beneficiaries were members of the general
15 public as far as the trustees were concerned.

16 Q Okay.

17 A And continue to be that. And this is a private trust,
18 so.

19 Q Okay. The top of page 3, and I am just looking at the
20 first paragraph. Was it your understanding when this
21 letter was prepared that a newer beneficiary of the
22 '85 Trust action, some who were freshly approved, might
23 not have the same access, I guess, to programs or
24 services or payments from the 1985 Trust as the
25 long-standing beneficiaries?

26 A No, there was some discussion with our legal counsel at
27 the time because the trustee talks about unfettered

1 discretion, that the trustees have unfettered
2 discretion in distributing assets to any and all who
3 they so choose, including one single beneficiary, if
4 that is what they choose. And so there was some
5 discussion with legal counsel about what parameters
6 that you could put on benefits. And so we didn't want
7 anyone to think that they would simply, by becoming a
8 new beneficiary, that they would be entitled to a full
9 set of assets. And we weren't sure at this time,
10 anyway, whether the beneficiaries of the '85 Trust
11 would be the same as the beneficiaries of the '86
12 Trust. And if the beneficiaries of the '85 Trust were
13 primarily people who had been long-time member, because
14 the way that the Trust is defined, that basically it
15 sets -- there is sort of a freeze on who the
16 beneficiaries are, at least as far as the adults are
17 concerned as of 15 April, 1985, so there is a freeze
18 and that is a very small number compared to the band
19 list. It is actually about half the band list.

20 Q Right.

21 A So there was some question about should they get the
22 same assets, should they claim double assets from one
23 -- could they claim the same asset from the '85, or the
24 same benefit from the '85 Trust as they got from the
25 '86 Trust. Would we look at it as a combined trust
26 where if they got it from one it would be considered
27 50/50 from both, but only if they were beneficiaries of

1 both Trusts. So I mean there was a lot of
2 complications about how we could -- because, and that
3 is part of the reason for coming for advice and
4 direction, is this separation of lists and, you know,
5 the fact that there could be two different lists
6 troubled with the trustees because they made it
7 difficult to have a community, a small community of
8 people, some of whom have greater benefits than others
9 and maybe they could double dip from '85 and '86 Trust,
10 and others who weren't eligible for '85 Trust that only
11 single dip from the '86 Trust. So that was the concern
12 that we not give anybody the impression that they would
13 be able to get a windfall from both Trusts.

14 Q Okay. Now in relation to the -- I understand the
15 purpose of your application for advice and direction
16 is, in part, a wish to start to distribute through the
17 Trust -- just off.

18 (Questioning adjourned.)

19 (Questioning resumed.)

20 Q MS. HUTCHISON: So I understand one of the
21 reasons for the application for advice and direction is
22 a desire to, you know, start to access the assets of
23 the 1985 Trust and distribute benefits possibly through
24 the four world model of these programs and benefits and
25 services.

26 So in relation to that vision, and it is sort of
27 referred to in some of your Affidavit, as well as

1 written material, is there any intention at the moment
2 that new 1985 beneficiaries would get different
3 programs and services, or a different distribution than
4 old 1985 Trust beneficiaries, the long-standing ones?

5 A No.

6 Q Okay.

7 A The discussion that the trustees had was that everybody
8 would have as equal a benefit as they could possibly
9 get. The reason for wanting to have access to
10 distribute '85 Trust funds is that all of the benefits
11 at this point are being paid out of the '86 Trust.

12 Q Okay.

13 A And that in the long-term will deplete the resources of
14 the '86 Trust if the '85 Trust can never be accessed.
15 So if there are some beneficiaries whose benefits could
16 be split 50/50 between the two Trusts, it would be more
17 advantageous than to have them all coming out of the
18 '86 Trust. That is where the distribution is. So
19 there is not going to be like a windfall coming out of
20 the '86 Trust -- or the '85 Trust, rather, it is we
21 want to equalize between the two Trusts, or we want to
22 be able to use the full resource of the Trusts to
23 provide for the beneficiaries.

24 Q Okay. So going to the next paragraph of Exhibit D, the
25 paragraph that starts "Another factor the trustees may
26 consider".

27 A Are we on the letter?

1 Q Yes, page 3 of the letter.

2 A Okay.

3 Q And if you go to the very last sentence it says, "In
4 considering the appropriate programs the trustees may
5 consider it relevant that certain programs and other
6 benefits are only available to beneficiaries who live
7 on reserve and other programs may only be available to
8 beneficiaries living off the reserve."

9 A Yes.

10 Q Is that structure or model different than programs and
11 services on reserve versus off reserve still part of
12 the proposed distribution that the Trusts are looking
13 at for the 1985 Trust?

14 A It is not part of a proposal. It is part of a
15 consideration. The people -- the beneficiaries who
16 live on reserve have housing, utilities, and home
17 maintenance provided. Those who live off the reserve
18 don't have that.

19 Q Okay.

20 A If the Trust, and the Trust is considered providing a
21 housing benefit. If the Trust were to provide a
22 housing benefit it would not be, in the trustee's mind,
23 it would not be fair to provide the same housing
24 benefit to people who live on reserve who are already
25 receiving a free benefit from the First Nation, and
26 instead wanted to provide that to people who are living
27 off reserve and are having to struggle with mortgages

1 and utility bills and home repairs and that sort of
2 stuff. We haven't resolved that, and there is still a
3 question about whether or not the First Nation could
4 free up some of its resources if the Trust were to take
5 over a housing benefit and provide the same benefit for
6 on and off reserve. But then those -- then the
7 question becomes those living on reserve don't own
8 their homes because it is communal property, and those
9 living off reserve own their homes and therefore can
10 sell it and profit from it since it is not communal
11 property. So again, we always have this, you know,
12 because of the strange situation for a First Nations
13 people and communal property and reserves and how they
14 are run and on and off reserve benefits, it has been
15 very difficult. So at this point all of the benefits
16 are provided equally on and off reserve, but there is
17 discussion about how could we help in these special
18 circumstances, like housing.

19 Q Other than housing, are there any other programs where
20 the trustees are struggling with that, how to deal with
21 benefits on reserve versus off reserve, or are the
22 programs and services outside of housing --

23 A Sort of related to housing is seniors housing, so
24 lodges and assisted-living facilities are available off
25 reserve but are not available on reserve because the
26 population is too small, or because the federal
27 government doesn't provide that benefit. So those

1 usually have to be funded either by the First Nation or
2 in this case they could be funded by the Trust, but
3 again, it becomes this -- so then we would provide
4 assisted-living facilities on reserve, but not off
5 reserve. And so what would we do for those off
6 reserve. If you live in an assisted-living facility
7 off reserve, only a quarter of your income goes into
8 paying for that facility in most cases. So does that
9 mean that First Nations people living off reserve have
10 sufficient resources to pay that? Probably. So I mean
11 those are the kinds of questions that we are struggling
12 with.

13 Q Okay. Any differences of that nature in relation to
14 education benefit that you are aware of?

15 A No, absolutely not.

16 Q In relation to health benefit?

17 A No.

18 Q In relation to other social, I will call them social
19 support benefit?

20 A No, not -- we provide child support benefits, we
21 provide personal development benefits, we provide
22 education benefits, we provide health benefits, life
23 insurance, all of those are equally provided off and on
24 reserve to beneficiaries, and sometimes to their
25 children through their parents.

26 Q So actually I will just, it might be faster if we took
27 a look at Exhibit L of your September 12th, 2011

1 Affidavit.

2 A Okay.

3 Q Just from your understanding is there anything, or are
4 any of these programs that are described in Exhibit L
5 that you understand may be provided, you know,
6 differently to individuals on reserve versus off
7 reserve? Whether that difference is in amount or
8 accessibility, value, or is it really just housing is
9 the only one on this list?

10 A Housing is really the only one that is strange. I mean
11 the other -- there are some benefits that we are having
12 difficulty with because of trust law, because there is
13 no beneficiary identified. So Number 11, for example,
14 on page 46, numbered page 46, community strengthening,
15 there is no identified beneficiary that you pay that to
16 so we could actually not provide that benefit.

17 Q Okay. So there is --

18 A Well, no, none of these -- 18 is the same as the other
19 one.

20 Q There is no actual specific --

21 A There is no actual beneficiary. It is sort of a
22 wellness, community wellness stuff, but there is no
23 identified beneficiary, so. And we have about 50
24 percent of our beneficiaries live off reserve, so.

25 Q Okay. Back to Exhibit D. Sorry, we are flipping back
26 and forth.

27 A Back to the letter.

1 Q Back to the letter of November 24th, 2009.

2 A Right.

3 Q Try not to laugh at this question but I want to be sure
4 I understand. If you look at the fifth paragraph it
5 talks about the rules for eligibility of the
6 beneficiary are presently being worked out for each of
7 the Trusts. I understand the entire purpose of your
8 application is to set the beneficiary definition for
9 the 1985 Trust. What I was struggling to understand is
10 what rules for eligibility you would be working on
11 other than just to determine if someone is a member or
12 not?

13 A It depended whether or not we were using the 1970s
14 Indian Act rules as they existed on the 15th day of
15 April, 1982, and what were those. So you would have to
16 -- we would have to go back to the 1970s Indian Act,
17 find the version that existed on the 15th of April,
18 then find the membership rules that applied at the time
19 that we could -- because it is members who qualify as
20 members as of that date. So then we would have to say
21 okay, as of today would you have qualified if today was
22 the 15th of April, 1982. So that is what we meant by
23 determining the beneficiaries for the 1985 Trust, is
24 that.

25 Q So when you are talking about rules for eligibility,
26 and then in the last paragraph, last sentence, there is
27 a reference to developing a clear list of criteria?

1 A Right.

2 Q You are not talking about something over and above
3 membership?

4 A Oh, no.

5 Q It is just a question of whether it is a pre Bill C-31
6 membership or post Bill C-31 membership?

7 A If it is post Bill C-31 membership then the membership
8 rules of the Sawridge First Nation apply as of April
9 15th -- no, actually as of the 15th of June, 1985,
10 something like that, when that was approved by the
11 Minister.

12 Q But nothing that the Trusts were referring to here
13 other than membership. It is just a question of which
14 model of membership was going to determine
15 beneficiaries added?

16 A Yeah, because the trustees felt that they really don't
17 have control of who the beneficiaries are, because the
18 beneficiaries are defined by other rules. So they are
19 defined by either the Indian Act if we are using the
20 1970s Indian Act, or defined by the membership rule if
21 they are defined under the 1986 Trust as who is a
22 member of the Sawridge First Nation.

23 Q Okay. Thank you. Back into the body of your August
24 30th, 2011 Affidavit, and you were looking at paragraph
25 10 previously, and 11. If I could get you to have
26 those in front of you?

27 A 10 and 11, yes.

1 Q So the three lists that we were talking about
2 previously, have you updated those lists since 2011,
3 since the application was filed?

4 A Yes, this -- well, parts of it. So the people who
5 applied hasn't changed because we stopped the
6 application process when we launched the application.

7 Q Okay.

8 A So I am confusing you. So when we launched the
9 application for advice and direction we stopped anybody
10 who had felt that they had an interest as a beneficiary
11 to the 1985 Trust, we stopped them filling out forms.

12 Q You didn't ask them to keep working on forms?

13 A We actually refused forms after that point.

14 Q Okay.

15 A Because we felt that the court would, at the end of the
16 application for advice and direction process, that the
17 court will settle this issue. So it was no longer
18 necessary for the trustees to get a bunch of people to
19 state their claim.

20 Q Okay. How were forms refused? Was it in writing? Was
21 it verbal?

22 A Well, they had sort of petered off by then anyway.
23 People weren't applying very much. Those who did, I
24 still get calls every once in a while saying I would
25 like an application form and I just tell them we don't
26 do that anymore. And we are in this process and the
27 court is going to, we hope --

1 Q Decide?

2 A -- give us a new definition and then we will have to
3 figure out how we decide then.

4 Q Is there a form letter that you send out to explain
5 that?

6 A No.

7 Q It is just verbal?

8 A Verbal. Most of the people are phoning and asking. So
9 that list hasn't changed. The affiliates list, we
10 don't -- Indian Affairs won't tell us who is on the
11 list. We would only have the 2001 pay list, that is
12 it. So that is the end of that list. And the only
13 list that changes is the Sawridge First Nation
14 membership list and who has been born and died since
15 then. So I do not modify that list.

16 Q Okay.

17 A So that is a list of beneficiaries.

18 Q So to the extent that that list has changed,
19 particularly in relation to minor children of members,
20 if you could give us both the list that existed when
21 you swore the Affidavit and the updated list?

22 A Yeah, it is actually one list because it changes as of
23 their birthday. So all you need to do is look at their
24 birthday and if the birthday is the date of the
25 application, then they were on the other list.

26 Q Okay.

27 MS. BONORA: We will just amend Undertaking 24

1 to provide you with the most recent list of Sawridge
2 members.

3 MS. HUTCHISON: Sure.

4 MS. BONORA: Which shows all of that
5 information.

6 A It has all of that information.

7 Q MS. HUTCHISON: The original information?

8 A Yes.

9 MS. HUTCHISON: Great.

10 Q MS. HUTCHISON: If you look just under subparagraph
11 (h) of paragraph 10, Mr. Bujold, it indicates that
12 everybody in the categories above, so from subparagraph
13 (a) to (h) are collectively referred to as
14 beneficiaries and potential beneficiaries. And then
15 subparagraph (i) is referring to people who regain
16 their status as Indians under Bill C-31 and who in the
17 Department of Indian Affairs or Aboriginal Affairs and
18 Northern Development is considered to be affiliated
19 with Sawridge First Nation. And I just wanted to
20 understand, was that category of individuals excluded
21 from the, you know, the definition just within your
22 Affidavit, but were they excluded from that because it
23 is your understanding that individuals affiliated with
24 Sawridge First Nation for the purposes of Indian
25 Affairs are not potential beneficiaries? Are they not
26 even considered as potential beneficiaries, or --

27 A The only way they can be considered, if you look at the

1 definition in the 1985 Trust, is they have to be
2 members of the Sawridge First Nation.

3 Q So if --

4 A And so they have to -- they have to have qualified as
5 members of the Sawridge First Nation under the 1970s
6 Indian Act as it existed on the 15th of April, 1982.
7 So these -- this last category, these affiliates, are
8 anybody that the Minister feels has an affiliation with
9 somebody.

10 Q So they are the individuals --

11 MS. BONORA: Can we go off the record for a
12 second?

13 MS. HUTCHISON: No, we can't, Ms. Bonora. I'm
14 sorry.

15 MS. BONORA: I'm going to say it on the record
16 then.

17 MS. HUTCHISON: I have given you a lot of leeway
18 about interrupting today.

19 MS. BONORA: I drafted the Affidavit. The
20 purpose of the split was purely definitional. So we
21 could serve the people in (a) to (h), we categorized
22 them as beneficiaries and potential beneficiaries so
23 that we could tell the court how we wanted to serve
24 them. We separated out (i) because we couldn't serve
25 them and we had to deal with them differently. There
26 is nothing in respect of how we are treating those
27 people differently. I can tell you it is purely

1 definitional for the purpose of how we were going to
2 serve those people. So there is nothing sinister about
3 it, it is just purely definitional. And I'm putting
4 that on the record because it is just an important
5 fact. It saves a lot of time.

6 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, you read this Affidavit
7 thoroughly before you signed it?

8 A I did.

9 Q And you were comfortable with the words?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Representing your understanding of all of the
12 information?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Okay, thank you. So the individuals in subparagraph
15 (i) wouldn't even be potential beneficiaries under the
16 current definition of the 1985 Trust, is that fair?

17 A Under the '85 Trust -- well, we don't know. We don't
18 know because we don't know what their qualifications
19 are for being placed on the affiliated list by Indian
20 Affairs in the first place.

21 Q Okay. Assuming, though, that they were not members of
22 the Sawridge Band before Bill C-31 was passed?

23 A Right.

24 Q They couldn't qualify as beneficiaries under the '85
25 Trust today?

26 A That is right.

27 Q Okay. But there is a possibility that they could be

1 potential beneficiaries if the new definition for the
2 '85 Trust was adopted, if they were accepted by
3 Sawridge?

4 A Yes.

5 Q Through its membership?

6 A If they were accepted by Sawridge through its
7 membership process. This list, the other thing that
8 you need to know about this (a) to (i) list is that
9 these were the requirements of Justice Thomas. So he
10 said you have to notify these people, these people, and
11 he actually specified each of these categories.

12 Q Understood, okay. Thank you. Just so I am clear on
13 this point, Mr. Bujold, the three lists that you talked
14 about providing to me, one of them is going to be the
15 list of beneficiaries and potential beneficiaries
16 consisting of 194 people, correct? I just want to make
17 sure --

18 A I don't think that it is 194. I think we may have sort
19 of edited it down. I don't know. I have got it, and I
20 can check it if you want and tell you if it is 194.

21 Q You can definitely do that through undertaking, and I
22 appreciate it. But the list that you are referring to
23 in paragraph 11 is one of the lists that you are going
24 to give to me?

25 A One of the lists, yes.

26 Q Okay, great. Now for the four individuals that you
27 were not able to find mailing addresses for -- sorry,

1 tell me a bit about those individuals. Have you, at
2 this point in time, have you been able to find mailing
3 addresses for them?

4 A No.

5 Q Do you have any information at all about whether any of
6 those four individuals have minor children or did at
7 the time that you swore this Affidavit?

8 A There is one, and that is William MacDonald, who has
9 minor beneficiaries who are members of another First
10 Nation and therefore wouldn't qualify under our trust.

11 Q Okay.

12 A They are members of Seneca First Nation.

13 Q And so the other three individuals who you don't have
14 mailing addresses for, do you know if they have minor
15 children or not?

16 A I don't think that they do. But they didn't always
17 tell us whether they had minor children. I mean we
18 asked the question, but they didn't always tell us, so.

19 Q The four individuals that you are referring to here,
20 did you become aware of those individuals because they
21 submitted the application form?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Okay.

24 A And then we corresponded with them and our letter came
25 back, the mail came back.

26 Q And we are going to get copies of that correspondence
27 already so we will take a look at that and see what it

1 says.

2 A Yes.

3 Q Okay, thank you.

4 (Questioning adjourned.)

5 (Questioning resumed.)

6 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, I understand that at
7 the break you pulled out your copy of one of the
8 listings that we have been talking about and you wanted
9 to clarify an answer that you have given?

10 A Yes. I mentioned one of the people whose addresses
11 that I didn't have was William MacDonald and that is
12 incorrect. So those people who I didn't have addresses
13 for, as far as I know, had no minor beneficiaries -- or
14 no minor dependents.

15 Q Dependents, okay. Thank you for clarifying that,
16 Mr. Bujold.

17 Just speaking of lists, when I get your three lists
18 am I going to be able to tell from the lists who has
19 minor dependents, or who on the list is a minor?

20 A Depends which list, so.

21 Q Let's do it this way, then. How about if you undertake
22 to get to us any of the information that you have about
23 the identity, contact information, of presumably their
24 parents, of all of the minors that the Sawridge
25 trustees are aware who are affected or potentially
26 affected by the main application? So I am looking for
27 minors that --

1 A That is one of the lists that we are going to be
2 providing, with their birth dates.

3 Q Okay, perfect.

4 A And their reasons for qualifying.

5 Q Okay, thank you.

6 MS. BONORA: We will make that undertaking. I
7 don't think that that was necessarily part of the prior
8 list. So we will do the list of minor beneficiaries
9 that may be impacted by this application and the
10 reason, did you say?

11 A Also the reason that they qualify or do not qualify.

12 MS. HUTCHISON: Thank you, Mr. Bujold.

13 UNDERTAKING NO. 28:
14 RE PROVIDE LIST OF MINOR BENEFICIARIES
15 IMPACTED BY THE APPLICATION, INCLUDING
16 IDENTITY AND CONTACT INFORMATION, AND
17 THEIR REASONS FOR QUALIFYING.

18 A I'm not sure if it identifies their parents, though.
19 Is that what you wanted as well?

20 MS. HUTCHISON: We will be looking for contact
21 information. So I am assuming that that will mean
22 contact information for their parents in the course of
23 their --

24 A Then I will need to modify that list if I need to
25 provide contact information.

26 MS. HUTCHISON: Thank you.

27 Q MS. HUTCHISON: So just returning to the topic of

1 the individuals who regained their status as Indians
2 under Bill C-31, and who have been deemed to be
3 affiliated with Sawridge First Nation by the Minister
4 of Aboriginal Affairs.

5 I take it not only has the Minister not been
6 willing to provide you with their names and addresses,
7 the Minister has not provided you with any information
8 about whether they have minor dependents?

9 A No.

10 Q So you have no information on that at this point in
11 time?

12 A No.

13 Q I am going to ask you to provide me with copies of any
14 correspondence or documentation as between the Trust
15 and the Minister requesting that information. It is my
16 understanding that you did ask them for a list of
17 individuals affiliated with Sawridge and their
18 addresses. So any documentation around your request to
19 the Minister on that topic, and their responses, if you
20 can undertake to provide us with copies of that
21 documentation. Sorry, you can't actually ask your
22 counsel questions.

23 A You know, Janet, I'm not sure. I don't remember if we
24 ever asked them.

25 Q Take a look at paragraph 12, Mr. Bujold, of your
26 Affidavit. It says, "The Minister will not provide us
27 with a current list of these individuals, nor their

1 addresses, citing privacy concerns."

2 A Okay. I think we may have gotten that information from
3 the department's lawyer. Do you remember when we had
4 the first meeting?

5 Q Mr. Kindrake.

6 A Mr. Kindrake.

7 Q We will leave it as an undertaking. You can review
8 your records.

9 A I will see if I have got anything.

10 Q And, of course, we are particularly interested in
11 whether there was any documented request to the
12 Minister about information for minor dependents of
13 these Bill C-31 individuals?

14 A There wasn't. For sure there wasn't.

15 Q Okay.

16 MS. BONORA: So I am just going to clarify, the
17 undertaking is to review our records and provide any
18 correspondence that we have with the Minister with
19 respect to the refusal to provide the current list of
20 these individuals mentioned in paragraph 12.

21 MS. HUTCHISON: With respect to the request for the
22 information and their subsequent refusal to provide it,
23 yes. That is correct.

24 UNDERTAKING NO. 29:

25 RE PROVIDE ANY CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE
26 MINISTER RESPECTING THE REQUEST FOR
27 INFORMATION AND REFUSAL TO PROVIDE THE

1 CURRENT LIST OF INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED IN
2 PARAGRAPH 12 OF MR. BUJOLD'S AUGUST 30,
3 2011 AFFIDAVIT.

4 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Turning to your September 12th,
5 2011 Affidavit, and specifically paragraph 32. The
6 statement in the first sentence of that paragraph is
7 that the trustees have determined that maintaining the
8 definition of beneficiaries contained in the 1985 Trust
9 is potentially discriminatory?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Without getting into communications with the Trust
12 lawyers, because that is not something that we can talk
13 about, what is your understanding of what led up to
14 this trustees arriving at that determination? Were
15 there discussion papers, was it dealt with in non
16 in-camera portions of your trustee meeting minutes? I
17 am just looking for really any source of information
18 around that topic.

19 A It was primarily dealt with in discussions with our
20 legal counsel.

21 Q Okay.

22 A And the legal counsel was present at trustee meetings
23 where that topic was discussed.

24 Q Okay.

25 A So it was primarily my discussions with legal counsel
26 and my -- and the trustee's discussion with legal
27 counsel that led us to believe that.

1 Q Okay. So this undertaking may not result in any
2 documentation, but I am still going to ask for it. If
3 you could undertake to review your documentation and if
4 there is any nonprivileged documentation that deals
5 with discussion or assessment of that topic, including
6 any sort of communication as between the trustees and
7 the Nation, if you could undertake to provide us with
8 any of that?

9 A Between the trustees and the Sawridge First Nation?

10 Q That is correct, yes. So it may not exist, Mr. Bujold.

11 A It doesn't, I can tell you right off, because we don't
12 get communications from the Sawridge First Nation.

13 Q Not from --

14 A No. We don't get any letters from them. We get --
15 occasionally we get a phone call from the office staff
16 saying Chief and Council have just added so and so to
17 the list and here is his name.

18 Q Okay.

19 A And his address.

20 MS. BONORA: So just to clarify, can you clarify
21 the undertaking that you are asking?

22 MS. HUTCHISON: I think that I will just leave the
23 undertaking as is, and if you need to repeat it maybe
24 Susan can read back.

25 MS. BONORA: You said about this topic, so I
26 need to understand what topic you are talking about.

27 MS. HUTCHISON: About the determination of the

1 trustees maintaining the definition of beneficiaries
2 from the 1985 Trust would be potentially
3 discriminatory.

4 MS. BONORA: Okay.

5 UNDERTAKING NO. 30:
6 RE REVIEW DOCUMENTATION AND PRODUCE
7 ANYTHING NONPRIVILEGED DEALING WITH THE
8 TOPIC OF THE DETERMINATION OF THE
9 TRUSTEES MAINTAINING THE DEFINITION OF
10 BENEFICIARIES FROM THE 1985 TRUST WOULD
11 BE POTENTIALLY DISCRIMINATORY, INCLUDING
12 ANY COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE TRUSTEES
13 AND THE SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION.

14 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, still in paragraph 32 I
15 am wondering if you can help me understand this one
16 element of this whole matter. So you are saying in
17 paragraph 32 that the current definition of
18 beneficiaries of the '85 Trust would allow nonmembers
19 of the Nation to be beneficiaries of the '85 Trust
20 while excluding certain members of the Nation.

21 Can you give me some examples of a situation where
22 an individual would qualify as a beneficiary under the
23 1985 definition without being a member of Sawridge
24 First Nation today?

25 A I would have to use names. Is that okay?

26 Q That is okay. I'm trying to understand the process,
27 because...

1 A Roland Twinn's wife, Haytena (phonetic) Twinn --

2 Q Okay.

3 A Is white, not a member of Sawridge First Nation and not
4 eligible under current membership rules to be a member
5 because she doesn't have Indian status.

6 Q Okay.

7 A She does qualify under the 1970 Indian Act as the wife
8 of an Indian male and, therefore, as a member of a
9 First Nation and, therefore, as a beneficiary of the
10 1985 Trust. So she is not a member of the First
11 Nation, but she is a beneficiary to the 1985 Trust.

12 Q Okay.

13 A Adversely Clara and -- Bertha L'Hirondelle, Clara
14 Midbo, Liz Poitras and any of the other Bill C-31s, if
15 they came in as a result of application or as a result
16 of the court order from Justice Huggessen don't qualify
17 as members of the Sawridge -- of the 1985 Trust but
18 they are members of the Sawridge First Nation.

19 Q Okay. That helps me. So my understanding is that
20 there are, and I am turning quickly here to your
21 September 30th Affidavit. Sorry, it is the
22 Supplemental Affidavit to the September 12th, 2011
23 Affidavit.

24 A Okay.

25 Q So help me understand what you are talking about in
26 paragraph 3 and 4, Mr. Bujold. So there are 8 mine or
27 dependents?

1 A This is a moving target, this minor dependent stuff is
2 a moving target because they get old.

3 Q Got you. At the time that you swore this Affidavit
4 there were 8 minor dependents?

5 A That is right.

6 Q And I just want to be clear, at the time these 8 minor
7 dependents did or did not qualify under the current
8 definition?

9 A Did not.

10 Q Did not?

11 A Yeah.

12 Q But would qualify as beneficiaries under the new
13 definition of the '85 Trust? The proposed one?

14 A No. They would continue not to qualify unless they
15 applied for membership.

16 Q Okay.

17 A So under the '86 Trust it is a member -- anybody who is
18 a member of the Sawridge First Nation, and that
19 includes children. Children have to apply just like
20 adults have to apply. Parents can apply on behalf of
21 their children, but they still have to apply.

22 Q Are there situations, though, where some children will
23 automatically be considered members?

24 A If a band member marries a band member, then those.
25 But in most cases in Sawridge it would be incestuous.

26 Q There are very few children that qualify under that
27 provision?

1 A Practically none.

2 Q It is a small community?

3 A It is a very small one or two family, and that is, you
4 know, very hard not to marry your cousin and then you
5 end up with --

6 Q Okay, got you.

7 A So the only way that you can qualify is to apply for
8 membership. And so the 8 children who don't qualify
9 under the '85 Trust would also continue not to qualify
10 even if the definition changed because they don't
11 qualify under the '86 Trust either, neither do the
12 other 31 children qualify because their parents have to
13 apply.

14 Now of these 31 dependents one of the parents has
15 actually applied on behalf of two of those children and
16 they have been admitted, and they are continuing to be
17 minors, but they are also members of the First Nation
18 and, therefore, full beneficiaries of the Trust -- of
19 the '86 Trust, but not of the '85 Trust.

20 Q But if the '85 Trust definition changes --

21 A Changes.

22 Q -- they would become beneficiaries?

23 A They will continue to be, because they already are
24 beneficiaries under the '85 Trust. They are part of
25 the 31 who already are. So there is two who are
26 already beneficiaries, but under the '86 Trust they
27 don't qualify because -- okay, we have to sort of back

1 up a little bit.

2 So under the '85 Trust the definition is if you
3 could be a member --

4 Q Pre Bill C-31?

5 A -- using the rules as they existed on that day, and you
6 could be a member as a minor under those rules. Under
7 the new Sawridge membership rule you can't be -- you
8 are not automatically considered a member just because
9 you are born to a member. You have to apply.

10 Q Right.

11 A So the children of members of the Sawridge First Nation
12 all have to apply. And if they don't apply, they don't
13 become members. Therefore, they won't be
14 beneficiaries.

15 Q Okay. So I just want to be clear because I know we
16 have all gotten a little confused on this issue at
17 times. So in paragraph 4 when you say 23 of the minor
18 dependents qualify as beneficiaries of the 1985 Trust,
19 and I understand that the 23 may have changed over
20 time?

21 A Right, right, right.

22 Q But were you saying that they qualify as beneficiaries
23 of the '85 Trust with the current definition?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Okay. And would any of those 23 cease to be
26 beneficiaries of the 1985 Trust under the proposed new
27 definition?

1 A Yes. 21 of them.

2 Q 21 of them?

3 A Because two of them have applied for membership and
4 have been accepted.

5 Q Okay.

6 A So because they applied and were accepted their
7 beneficiary status continues because then they are
8 still members of the First Nation.

9 Q The remaining 21 would have to apply for membership?

10 A Would have to apply for membership in the First Nation.

11 Q And if they didn't receive it they would not be
12 beneficiaries of the 1985 Trust?

13 A That is right.

14 Q Or the 1986 Trust?

15 A That is right.

16 Q Okay. Just going back to numbers for a moment,
17 Mr. Bujold. The numbers of dependent children of
18 Sawridge members has changed, I think, since 2011,
19 right?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Do you know what the current figure is? How many
22 dependent children there are, or would you like to
23 undertake to --

24 A I can give you an undertaking, because even though the
25 numbers have changed, I think that the numbers are
26 constant. So I think that it is still 31 but, you
27 know, we have two who became adults and two who were

1 born, and I think that that is what has happened. I
2 think we still have 31, but I can do an undertaking.

3 Q Let's do it this way because we need to establish names
4 and identities here, so.

5 A Yes.

6 Q So why don't you undertake to give us a list of who the
7 31 dependent children were at the time that this
8 Affidavit was sworn, and then also identify of those 31
9 dependent children which were the 23 that qualified as
10 beneficiaries of the '85 Trust at the time that you
11 swore the Affidavit and which were the 8 that did not
12 qualify as beneficiaries of the '85 Trust at the time
13 that you swore the Affidavit, and then update that list
14 for me through until today's date?

15 A All right.

16 Q Okay.

17 UNDERTAKING NO. 31:

18 RE PROVIDE LIST OF WHO THE 31 DEPENDENT
19 CHILDREN WERE AT THE TIME THE AFFIDAVIT
20 WAS SWORN AND IDENTIFY OF THOSE 31 WHICH
21 WERE THE 23 THAT QUALIFIED AS
22 BENEFICIARIES OF THE '85 TRUST AT THE
23 TIME THAT THE AFFIDAVIT WAS SWORN AND
24 WHICH WERE THE EIGHT THAT DID NOT
25 QUALIFY. ALSO UPDATE THE LIST UNTIL
26 TODAY'S DATE.

27 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, are you able to tell

1 me, and I am asking a question about the '86 Trust just
2 because it is pertinent to the proposed new definition.
3 So since Sawridge took over its membership process,
4 which was 1985, how many Bill C-31 members are you
5 aware of that have also become beneficiaries of the
6 1986 Trust?

7 A Of the '86 Trust?

8 Q Yes. So how many of those Bill C-31 individuals have
9 actually become members since Sawridge took over its
10 membership process?

11 A Those -- if I am understanding the question correctly,
12 there are -- there is 14 or 15 absolutes. So those --
13 and those are just about -- there was one man, but the
14 rest were all women. Most of them came in as a result
15 of Judge Huggessen's court order.

16 Q Came in as members?

17 A Came in as members and therefore as beneficiaries of
18 the '86 Trust. Clara Midbo and Bertha L'Hirondelle and
19 Frieda Draney were Bill C-31 who applied and were
20 granted membership.

21 Q Okay. Just remind me, Frieda Draney is also --

22 A She is a sister.

23 Q A sister of Walter Twinn. Other than Clara, Bertha,
24 and Frieda, if I may just use their first names, the
25 only other individuals that have become Bill C-31
26 individuals -- I apologize, that have become members of
27 the Sawridge First Nation and the beneficiaries of the

1 '86 Trust are the women and other individuals added by
2 Justice Huggessen?

3 A That is right.

4 Q Just so there is no confusion could I ask you to give
5 us a list of those names so that we are all on the same
6 page? If you could undertake to tell us who --

7 A The applications plus the Huggessen order?

8 Q Let's do that, yes.

9 UNDERTAKING NO. 32:
10 RE PROVIDE LIST OF INDIVIDUALS ADDED BY
11 JUSTICE HUGGESSEN TO BE MEMBERS OF
12 SAWRIDGE AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE '86
13 TRUST.

14 Q MS. HUTCHISON: There have been other applications
15 for membership since the 1985 Trust has been approved?

16 A Yes.

17 Q But they weren't for Bill C-31 individuals. They were
18 children that were born to only one member, and that
19 sort of situation?

20 A Yeah, but Bill C-31 rules are actually quite
21 restrictive. So in order to meet the restrictions
22 there were only these people who actually qualified.
23 And even, you know, there is some -- Sawridge First
24 Nation doesn't agree with all of the people who were
25 placed on the list by Huggessen because they didn't
26 have any affiliation that they know of.

27 Q Right.

1 A By blood or by residence with the Sawridge First
2 Nation. So none of the people that we know, other than
3 those who we have been sort of pulling through our
4 process or the affiliates, would qualify as absolutes.
5 So they have to meet that very narrow definition.

6 Q Okay. From what you know, Mr. Bujold, I mean do you
7 know what the total number of applications, and whether
8 it is complete or incomplete application, the total
9 number of applications that the Nation has received for
10 membership since 1985, since they took over the
11 process?

12 A I don't know it off the top of my head. I know that a
13 report was provided to you that we received from
14 Sawridge First Nation, and I think the number was about
15 40 or something.

16 Q Do you have that?

17 A Because it came from the First Nation. It is not
18 something that -- we don't pay attention to that unless
19 it results in a beneficiary.

20 Q Does that look familiar, Mr. Bujold?

21 A Yes, this is it, yes.

22 Q So this is a list that your counsel sent me?

23 A Yes. So this is the list that we received from
24 Sawridge First Nation and they would know. I wouldn't
25 know how many applications they have received, so. They
26 are saying 74 received and 52 processed.

27 Q Are we okay to mark this as an exhibit?

1 MS. BONORA: It came from the stuff I sent you
2 by email?

3 MS. HUTCHISON: Yes. Or you can undertake to
4 provide it to me in another format.

5 A There was another sheet that went in front of it.

6 Q MS. HUTCHISON: There are answers to other
7 questions in front of it, yes.

8 A Okay.

9 Q Do you want to undertake to --

10 MS. BONORA: I'm good. I see it now.

11 MS. HUTCHISON: So we can mark that as an exhibit?

12 MS. BONORA: M-hm, that would be fine.

13 EXHIBIT NO. 4:

14 DOCUMENT ENTITLED TOTAL APPLICATIONS

15 RECEIVED AND PROCESSED.

16 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, this page sets out some
17 statistics on total membership applications received
18 and processed. So what you are telling me is that that
19 information came from the Sawridge First Nation?

20 A That is right.

21 Q So the trustees haven't done anything to double-check
22 those numbers or determine if they are accurate at this
23 point in time?

24 A We wouldn't have any cause to interfere in Sawridge
25 First Nation business.

26 Q And I am not suggesting --

27 A So we haven't checked that.

1 Q So you haven't requested any of the documentation that
2 would be behind this list, like the membership
3 application forms, or --

4 A No.

5 Q Okay. So this list is saying between 1993 and 2014 74
6 applications for membership were received and 52 were
7 processed?

8 A Right.

9 Q And within that number, 74, 15 were accepted. I'm
10 trying to understand, I am not sure if you can tell me,
11 but within the 15 that were accepted does that include
12 the 11 people that were added by order of Justice
13 Huggessen?

14 A No.

15 Q So you have actually got 26 individuals that were
16 accepted or added to the Sawridge membership?

17 A That is right.

18 Q Okay.

19 A And that would tally, because in 1985 there were 23
20 members, and now there are 40-some members, so.

21 Q Okay. Within this accepted number for this 15, that
22 would include Clara, Frieda, and Bertha; is that
23 correct?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Okay. Other than the 11 individuals added by court
26 order --

27 A Just hang on a sec because the beginning date that he

1 has got here is '93.

2 Q And they were added before that?

3 A And I think Bertha's application, I just read somewhere
4 Bertha's application was in '91. So maybe that doesn't
5 include. So maybe I am wrong.

6 Q You are taking me to my next question actually. So
7 this list starts at 1993, but it is your understanding
8 Sawridge took over its membership process in 1985?

9 A Yes, in July of 1985.

10 Q So what I would like you to undertake to do is to
11 inquire with Sawridge First Nation about how many
12 applications they received between 1985 and 1993, and
13 just exactly the same review as is done here, how many
14 were received, how many were processed, and what were
15 the outcome of those membership applications 1985 to
16 1993?

17 MS. BONORA: We will make that inquiry. We will
18 make our best efforts to provide an answer. We can't
19 control that answer, so.

20 MS. HUTCHISON: Thank you.

21 UNDERTAKING NO. 33:
22 RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION AS
23 TO NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS THEY RECEIVED
24 BETWEEN 1985 AND 1993, HOW MANY WERE
25 RECEIVED, HOW MANY WERE PROCESSED, AND
26 WHAT THE OUTCOME OF THOSE MEMBERSHIP
27 APPLICATIONS WERE FROM 1985 TO 1993.

1 Q MS. HUTCHISON: And I am just looking at one of the
2 little notes here in this summary, Mr. Bujold, that
3 talks about 14 applications received in 2006 which were
4 determined not to be complete and letters were sent out
5 to request additional information.

6 At this point in time has the Sawridge trustees
7 been able to get copies of either those membership
8 applications or the correspondence indicating that they
9 were incomplete?

10 A The letters -- the incomplete letters, we have received
11 copies of those, and those were provided to you.

12 Q Okay. So you have provided me with any that you
13 received back?

14 A That is right.

15 Q Okay. But not copies of the application forms
16 themselves?

17 A No, we would -- the application forms, even though the
18 trustees have asked about them, we have been informed
19 that under the privacy legislation that they are not
20 allowed to give us that so we are not allowed to see
21 them.

22 Q Despite that, and I recognize all you can do is the
23 make the request, one of the undertakings that I will
24 ask you for today is request from the Sawridge First
25 Nation copies of all membership application forms that
26 they have received from 1985 until today's date.

27 MS. BONORA: Copies of all application forms?

1 MS. HUTCHISON: Membership application forms that
2 they have received, whether complete or incomplete,
3 since they took over their membership process, so that
4 would be 1985.

5 MS. BONORA: We will make the request. We are
6 not undertaking to provide an answer. We expect the
7 answer will be no, so.

8 MS. HUTCHISON: Understood.

9 UNDERTAKING NO. 34:
10 RE REQUEST OF THE SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION
11 TO PRODUCE COPIES OF ALL MEMBERSHIP
12 APPLICATION FORMS THAT THEY HAVE
13 RECEIVED FROM 1985 UNTIL PRESENT DATE.

14 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, you may or may not
15 be aware of this, but are you aware of band council
16 resolution, Sawridge Band Council Resolution from July
17 21st, 1988 that attached a list of 164 people who had
18 expressed an interest in writing in making an
19 application for membership with the band?

20 A No.

21 Q So you have never seen that before?

22 A No. I don't know if I ever heard of it.

23 Q Just for reference for the undertaking that I am going
24 to ask you for, it is referred to in paragraph 34 of
25 Sawridge Band v. Canada 2004 SCA 16.

26 So I am going to ask you to inquire, or to request
27 from Sawridge First Nation a copy of that July 21st,

1 1988 band council resolution, and specifically to ask
2 them to check the documentation that was filed in
3 relation to this court application to see if they can
4 locate a copy of that BCR and the list attached.

5 MS. BONORA: What is the number?

6 MS. HUTCHISON: There is not a BCR number. I can
7 just give you that case. There are apparently 194
8 individuals listed in the BCR, or in a list attached to
9 the BCR, and the BCR is dated July 21st, 1988.

10 UNDERTAKING NO. 35:
11 RE REQUEST OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION TO
12 PRODUCE A COPY OF THE JULY 21ST, 1988
13 BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION, AND
14 SPECIFICALLY ASK THEM TO CHECK THE
15 DOCUMENTATION THAT WAS FILED IN RELATION
16 TO THE COURT APPLICATION SAWRIDGE BAND
17 V. CANADA 2004 SCA 16, TO SEE IF THEY
18 CAN LOCATE A COPY OF THAT BCR AND THE
19 ATTACHED LIST.

20 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Just so I am clear, Mr. Bujold, the
21 trustees, as part of your efforts to identify
22 beneficiaries or potential beneficiaries, clearly you
23 have not had access to the resource of that BCR that we
24 are talking about?

25 A No.

26 Q Never seen it?

27 A No.

1 Q So you would have no way to know how the list of 194
2 people attached to that BCR would interrelate with the
3 list that you have developed?

4 MS. BONORA: The 164?

5 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Sorry, the 164. You wouldn't have
6 any way to cross-reference them at this point in time?

7 A No.

8 Q We have had quite a lot of discussions about what
9 efforts that you have made to try and identify
10 beneficiaries or potential beneficiaries. Are there
11 any efforts in that regard that you have made or that
12 the trustees have made that we have not discussed?
13 Other correspondence, documentation, searches?
14 Anything else that the trustees have been doing on that
15 front?

16 A No. The original list of potential beneficiaries to
17 the 1985 Trust that I started working with is a list
18 that was developed by the trustees themselves sometime
19 in the 1980s. I think '88 or '89.

20 Q Okay.

21 A Or maybe later. I would have to -- and so we sort of
22 use that as the basis list, and then we sort of
23 evaluate it based on who was still alive and who was
24 living, and. So that is the only other work that I
25 know of, and then we have done this research putting
26 together lists of names, getting these applications.

27 Q Okay. So turning back to your August 30th, 2011

1 Affidavit for a moment. And specifically I am looking
2 at paragraph 10 sub (e). So I just want to be clear,
3 at the time that you swore this Affidavit had Sawridge
4 First Nation actually provided a list of names of
5 individuals who applied for membership in Sawridge
6 First Nation, or was this just one of the general
7 categories?

8 A This was the general category.

9 Q So they hadn't given you that information then?

10 A No.

11 Q And haven't given it to you today?

12 A Haven't given it to me since.

13 Q I will ask you to undertake when you are requesting the
14 other information from the Sawridge First Nation on
15 membership application, to the extent that it is not
16 apparent from the other documents that they might
17 provide, we would like to know the date that each
18 membership application was received by the First
19 Nation, and the date that a decision was actually made
20 on each membership application. And I understand all
21 you can do is ask, Ms. Bonora.

22 UNDERTAKING NO. 36:

23 RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION THE
24 DATE EACH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION WAS
25 RECEIVED BY THEM AND THE DATE A DECISION
26 WAS MADE ON EACH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION.

27 Q MS. HUTCHISON: I am going to add one other element

1 to all of the undertakings that are requesting
2 information on Sawridge First Nation membership
3 applications. So should a situation arise where for
4 some reason the First Nation refuses or fails to
5 provide any of that information, I am going to ask you
6 to canvass the trustees directly to provide any and all
7 information or documentation that they can and provide
8 to answer those questions around membership
9 applications.

10 A Wouldn't that cause a conflict of interest to arise?
11 Like aren't you promoting a conflict of interest to
12 arise in the Trust?

13 MS. BONORA: We will take that under advisement.
14 UNDERTAKING NO. 37: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)
15 RE WITH RESPECT TO UNDERTAKINGS
16 REQUESTING INFORMATION ON SAWRIDGE FIRST
17 NATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS, IF THE
18 FIRST NATION REFUSES OR FAILS TO PROVIDE
19 THAT INFORMATION INQUIRE OF THE TRUSTEES
20 DIRECTLY TO PROVIDE ANY AND ALL
21 INFORMATION OR DOCUMENTATION THAT THEY
22 CAN TO ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS AROUND
23 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS.

24 (Discussion off the Record.)

25 MS. BONORA: Based on discussion off the record
26 in respect of Undertaking 35 which we have taken under
27 advisement, but just to be clear, we are only making

1 the request of the trustees as trustees, and not in any
2 other role that they would play.

3 MS. HUTCHISON: That is actually not how the
4 undertaking is phrased. You may choose to respond in
5 that context, but that is not how my undertaking is
6 phrased.

7 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, looking at your
8 September 30th Affidavit again, paragraph 3. To the
9 extent that your other undertakings don't tell me this,
10 and I suspect that your other answers to undertakings
11 will tell me this, but if they don't could you just
12 update the figure that is set out in paragraph 3 if it
13 has changed?

14 A It has.

15 Q Okay. Do you know what the figure is today?

16 A Yes, it is 45.

17 Q Okay, thank you.

18 A But they are not all older than 18 years of age because
19 now there are two minors in there.

20 Q Okay. So 43 adult members and 2 minor members?

21 A 2 minors.

22 Q Okay. And just going back to the 8 beneficiaries that
23 you were discussing in paragraph 4, and I realize they
24 may or may not still be -- I apologize. Minor
25 dependents, not beneficiaries, the 8 minor dependents,
26 at the time that you swore the Affidavit do you know if
27 they were living on or off reserve?

1 A They were living off reserve. They were in the process
2 of moving on to reserve.

3 Q Okay. And are any of these -- some of these 8 minor
4 dependents remain minor dependents today; is that
5 correct?

6 A No, they all do. They all do.

7 Q They are all still minors?

8 A They are all still minors.

9 Q Are they all living on reserve now?

10 A No, they are right now living in Sherwood Park but they
11 will be living on reserve soon. They have a house, it
12 is just not complete yet.

13 Q But the house has been allocated to the family?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Okay. Now in paragraph 6 my understanding is that you
16 were explaining the proposal of the Trust, or the
17 intention of the trustees that those 8 minor dependents
18 who did not qualify as beneficiaries in the 1985 Trust
19 would still be offered programs, services and other
20 benefits through their parents. So they would have
21 access to the same programs, services, and other
22 benefits as would be offered to the 1985 minor
23 beneficiaries?

24 A That is right.

25 Q Now once those 8 minor dependents turn 18, you agree
26 with me that unless the new definition is accepted, and
27 unless they are accepted as members of Sawridge First

1 Nation, they would no longer have access to the
2 programs, services and benefits through the 1985 Trust?

3 A The 8?

4 Q The 8 minor dependents?

5 A The 8 minor dependents don't have access now, so there
6 is 8 who don't have access.

7 Q Understood. And paragraph --

8 A And they would continue not to have access when they
9 are 18 or 50 or 75 unless they apply for membership.

10 Q Sorry, and I may have misunderstood your Affidavit,
11 Mr. Bujold. Were you trying to communicate in your
12 Affidavit here that if the new definition was adopted
13 for the 1985 Trust, the Trust would still provide
14 programs, services, and other benefits to the 8 minor
15 dependents through their parents?

16 A Paragraph 6 was not meant to talk about the 8 minors
17 who don't qualify, and would continue not to qualify
18 regardless of what the membership -- regardless of what
19 the beneficiary definition is.

20 Q Okay.

21 A Unless they applied for membership. If they don't
22 apply for membership they will continue to receive some
23 of the benefits of the Trust as dependents of their
24 parents until age 18 or age 25 for educational
25 benefits.

26 Q Okay.

27 A There are some benefits that they -- I mean they would

1 never get seniors benefits obviously if they don't
2 apply and become members.

3 Q Okay. And then the 21, and I just want to be sure I
4 understood --

5 A The 23? There is 31.

6 Q There is 31.

7 A So there is 23 minors under the '85 Trust who now
8 qualify.

9 Q Who will cease to qualify under the new definition?

10 A Who would cease to qualify under a new definition
11 unless they or their parents applied for membership.

12 Q And succeeded in getting membership?

13 A Obviously.

14 Q So 23, not 21?

15 A There is 23. There is 31 total so 23 plus 8.

16 Q Got you. So those 23 minors, unless they were
17 successful in their application to become members of
18 the Sawridge First Nation, would cease to receive any
19 benefit through the 1985 Trust if the new definition is
20 approved, once they cease to be minor dependents of
21 their parents? Is that your understanding?

22 A Once they cease to qualify as minor dependents under
23 the policies of the benefits. So it is 18 for most
24 benefits, 25 for educational benefits.

25 Q Understood, thank you.

26 A Or if they are handicapped then they continue until
27 they are 25.

1 Q Are you aware, are any of the 23 minors handicapped?

2 A No.

3 Q And --

4 A Not that I know of.

5 Q And any of the 8 minors that would not qualify under
6 any definition? Anybody who is handicapped?

7 A No. I mean some of them have learning disabilities,
8 but they are not -- like it is not a handicap.

9 Q They are not dependent adults?

10 A No.

11 Q Okay. Mr. Bujold, turning to your September 12th, 2011
12 Affidavit and looking at paragraph 22. To the extent
13 that the other undertakings don't result in production
14 of these documents, what I would like you to do is
15 undertake to provide us with any other documents or
16 additional documents that you have reviewed or are
17 relying on for your belief that all of the property
18 from the 1982 Trust was transferred to the 1985 Trust.
19 Just a little bit broader than one of your previous
20 undertakings.

21 MS. BONORA: Sorry, you are asking us for any
22 other documents than is already produced and that we
23 have produced in our email to you, is that right?

24 MS. HUTCHISON: Well, as we talked about a number
25 of times, Ms. Bonora, you have given me documents that
26 at the moment have absolutely no status before the
27 court, so.

1 MS. BONORA: In Undertaking 16 we would --

2 MS. HUTCHISON: Unless you are planning to produce
3 a supplemental Affidavit we need to get all of the
4 documents that you provided by undertaking or in some
5 form.

6 MS. BONORA: Okay. So in Undertaking 15 we said
7 we would produce all of the documents with respect to
8 the transfer of assets, and that we produced to you on
9 Friday and any other documents in relation to the
10 transfer of assets. So I can't imagine that we need
11 another undertaking.

12 MS. HUTCHISON: We may not. I'm asking for, and it
13 may simply be that your answer is to say all of the
14 documents that he is relying on are the ones provided
15 in response to the previous undertaking. But I'm
16 looking for copies of any and all documents that
17 Mr. Bujold was relying on when he swore that he
18 believed that all of the property for the 1982 Trust
19 was transferred to the 1985 Trust.

20 MS. BONORA: We aren't going to give that
21 undertaking because now you are going to ask us to
22 separate out ones he may have relied on compared to
23 ones that we have subsequently found and we are not
24 going to do that. We are going to produce the relevant
25 documents with respect to the transfer of assets. So
26 that undertaking is refused.

27 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, your understanding in

1 paragraph 22 hasn't changed as of today's date? You
2 still believe all of the 1982 assets were changed to
3 the 1985 Trust assets?

4 A M-hm.

5 Q If you could undertake to provide me with copies of any
6 documents that you are relying on to support that
7 belief and understanding. Ms. Bonora, if the answer to
8 that undertaking is simply to say it is only the
9 documents provided in response to previous
10 undertakings, that is fine. But I want to be
11 absolutely certain we have every piece of paper that
12 Mr. Bujold is relying on to arrive at that
13 understanding.

14 MS. BONORA: That is a duplication, so that
15 undertaking is refused.

16 UNDERTAKING NO. 38: (REFUSED)
17 RE PROVIDE COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS BEING
18 RELIED UPON TO SUPPORT THE BELIEF AND
19 UNDERSTANDING THAT THE 1982 ASSETS WERE
20 CHANGED TO THE 1985 TRUST ASSETS.

21 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Turning to paragraph 26 of your
22 September 12th Affidavit, Mr. Bujold. Do you have, or
23 does the Trust have financial statements for Sawridge
24 Holdings Ltd. and/or the Sawridge group of companies?

25 MS. BONORA: Excuse me, can you tell me why that
26 is relevant?

27 MS. HUTCHISON: What I would like to know -- I'll

1 ask it another way, Ms. Bonora.

2 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Did Mr. Peterson simply provide you
3 with the figure of \$68,506,815 or did he provide you
4 with documentation to show you that value?

5 A The companies are required to provide the trustees with
6 financial statements.

7 Q Could I ask you to provide us with copies of those
8 financial statements from 2011 until today's date,
9 please?

10 MS. BONORA: Sorry, again can I ask for the
11 relevance of it? Just because they have it doesn't
12 make it relevant. If you would like to know, we
13 thought it important for the court to know value. The
14 whole issue of what is in those financial statements I
15 am not sure is relevant to this application. So if you
16 tell me why it is relevant, I can then make a
17 determination of whether we will give that undertaking.

18 MS. HUTCHISON: The court's previous decision have
19 already made it rather clear that the amounts in
20 question are pertinent to some of the care that is
21 required to deal with this application. There is also
22 a statement in paragraph 28 of Mr. Bujold's Affidavit
23 that in order to try to actually find or deal with the
24 documentation around the transfer of assets of the '85
25 Trust would destroy the Trust. It has absolutely been
26 put in issue by the Sawridge trustees what the current
27 status of the Trust is, what its wherewithal is, what

1 its value is, what assets it holds. So I will leave my
2 undertaking on the record.

3 MS. BONORA: We will take it under advisement.

4 MS. HUTCHISON: Thank you.

5 UNDERTAKING NO. 39: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)
6 RE PRODUCE COPIES OF THE FINANCIAL
7 STATEMENTS FOR SAWRIDGE HOLDINGS LTD.
8 AND/OR THE SAWRIDGE GROUP OF COMPANIES
9 FROM 2011 UNTIL PRESENT DATE.

10 Q MS. HUTCHISON: So turning to paragraph 28 of your
11 September 12th, 2011 Affidavit, Mr. Bujold, what
12 research or investigation did you do to determine what
13 the cost would be? You are referring to enormous costs
14 to unravel the assets of the 1985 Trust. So what did
15 you do to determine those costs, and is it documented?

16 A Well, we had discussions with our accountant, with the
17 trust's accountant.

18 Q M-hm.

19 A About what would be required, and we have had other
20 discussions related to the 21-year rule and other taxes
21 that the Trusts have to pay. And that is on which
22 basis we came to the conclusion that it would be very
23 expensive.

24 Q And I am just trying to get an understanding here.
25 Enormous costs and very expensive could be considered
26 two different ends of the spectrum. So did you
27 actually get some sort of an estimate of costs from

1 your accountant? Was there some --

2 A I can't recall that we did get like a detailed
3 breakdown, an estimating cost. We were just told that
4 it would be very expensive with the capital gains tax
5 that we would have to pay in the transfer, the cost of
6 transferring and the taxes and the reorg, the corporate
7 reorganization that would be required as a result of
8 that would be very expensive.

9 Q I think what I will do, Mr. Bujold, is ask you to
10 review your records and to the extent that you got
11 non-privileged documentation that relates to the
12 statements in paragraph 28, if you could undertake to
13 provide me with copies, please.

14 UNDERTAKING NO. 40:

15 RE PRODUCE ANY NONPRIVILEGED
16 DOCUMENTATION RECEIVED RELATING TO THE
17 STATEMENTS IN PARAGRAPH 28 OF MR.
18 BUJOLD'S SEPTEMBER 12, 2011 AFFIDAVIT.

19 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Now if I understand the situation
20 correctly, Mr. Bujold, since the transfer of assets
21 from the 1982 Trust to the 1985 Trust there have not
22 actually been any -- there has been no distribution or
23 benefit to any beneficiaries from the '85 Trust?

24 A No.

25 Q So there would be operating costs and expenses, assets
26 being sold with funds going back into the corpus of the
27 Trust, but no actual distribution of the assets?

1 A None to beneficiaries, no.

2 Q To anyone?

3 A To anyone, sorry.

4 Q Okay. Just so I am clear. Mr. Bujold, in response to
5 one of the informal information requests I had made to
6 your counsel we received a copy of the Sawridge Indian
7 Band membership application form, a flow chart for the
8 membership application process, and a document titled
9 Membership Application Process, as well as a document
10 entitled Sawridge Membership Rules.

11 I am going to start with the Sawridge Membership
12 Rules. Have you seen those rules before?

13 A Yes, I have.

14 Q As far as you are aware have they remained unamended
15 since they were first passed in 1985, or have they
16 changed?

17 A There has been some amendments. I don't have a copy in
18 front of me, but I think there have been some
19 amendments.

20 Q So I will just ask you to deal with this question by
21 undertaking, then. If you could undertake to try and
22 locate for us the original version of the Sawridge
23 membership rules and then any interim versions of those
24 rules?

25 MS. BONORA: We will take that under advisement.

26 UNDERTAKING NO. 41: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)

27 RE PRODUCE THE ORIGINAL VERSION OF THE

1 SAWRIDGE MEMBERSHIP RULES AND ANY INTERM
2 VERSIONS OF THOSE RULES.

3 Q MS. HUTCHISON: And I see that you are looking at a
4 copy of the Sawridge membership rules provided by your
5 counsel. Do you recognize those?

6 A Yes, I do.

7 Q If we could mark those as an exhibit. The copy that
8 you are looking at, as far as you are aware, Mr.
9 Bujold, is that the current membership rules?

10 A It is the current.

11 Q Great.

12 EXHIBIT NO. 5:

13 SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND MEMBERSHIP RULES.

14 Q MS. HUTCHISON: And I don't know if your counsel
15 has an extra copy of the Sawridge Indian Band
16 Membership Application Form. So is it your
17 understanding that -- you recognize that application
18 form?

19 A I do.

20 Q Is it your understanding that that is the current
21 Sawridge Indian Band membership application form?

22 A As far as I know.

23 Q Could we mark that as an exhibit, please.

24 EXHIBIT NO. 6:

25 SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND MEMBERSHIP
26 APPLICATION FORM.

27 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, do you know if there

1 have been previous iterations or versions of that
2 membership application form?

3 A I understand that there were other membership
4 application forms, yes.

5 Q And have you seen them?

6 A No.

7 Q Do you have copies?

8 A No.

9 Q You don't have copies of them?

10 A No.

11 Q Could I ask you to undertake to contact Sawridge First
12 Nation, all you can do is request it, but ask them to
13 provide all previous versions of the Sawridge Indian
14 Band membership application?

15 MS. BONORA: We will take that under advisement.

16 MS. HUTCHISON: Thank you.

17 UNDERTAKING NO. 42: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)
18 RE REQUEST OF SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND TO
19 PRODUCE ALL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORMS
20 PRIOR TO THE ONE ENTERED AS EXHIBIT 6.

21 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, do the trustees receive
22 copies of letters of acceptance, letters of rejection,
23 notices of appeal, or appeal decisions under the
24 membership process?

25 A No, they do not.

26 Q Have you requested copies of any of those documents as
27 part of your efforts to identify beneficiaries and

1 potential beneficiaries?

2 A No.

3 Q I am going to ask you to undertake to request copies of
4 all such documents from Sawridge First Nations. So any
5 letters of acceptance in relation to membership
6 application, any letters of rejection, any notices of
7 appeal that have been filed in relation to membership
8 decisions and any appeal?

9 MS. BONORA: So the acceptance and rejection
10 letters you already asked for and those were provided
11 to you.

12 MS. HUTCHISON: Those have been provided to me
13 informally, Ms. Bonora. We can mark them as exhibits
14 today, or we can deal with them by undertaking. What
15 is your preference?

16 MS. BONORA: No, we made that request already.
17 You asked us to make the request and we did and those
18 have been provided.

19 MS. HUTCHISON: How would you like to get them into
20 the evidentiary record?

21 MS. BONORA: We can mark them as exhibits.

22 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, you are looking at a
23 series of letters, the first one is June 1st, 2004 to
24 Mr. Alan Floyd McDermott?

25 A Yes.

26 Q And the last page is an April 25th, 2008 letter to
27 Mr. Kieran Cardinal?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Have you seen those letters before?

3 A Yes, I have.

4 Q If we could mark those as an exhibit as a bundle,
5 please. I would just note on the record, Ms. Bonora,
6 what we have previously discussed. Many, in fact
7 almost all of the documents we marked as exhibits today
8 I didn't receive by the May 16th date that we discussed
9 and the fact that we are marking them as exhibits today
10 we are agreed doesn't limit my ability to examine
11 Mr. Bujold on them in the future?

12 MS. BONORA: I understand that. I just wanted
13 to make clear that our answer to you when we provided
14 it was that we have not located a letter for every
15 processed applicant. They have provided what has been
16 located. So in respect of all letters of rejection or
17 acceptance, we have provided the ones that have been
18 located.

19 MS. HUTCHISON: Okay.

20 MS. BONORA: So does that answer the
21 undertaking? I just want to be clear. I think it is
22 an answer to the undertaking.

23 MS. HUTCHISON: I thought that you had asked me to
24 deal with these by way of exhibits.

25 MS. BONORA: So there is no Undertaking 41 then.

26 MS. HUTCHISON: Unless there are further efforts
27 that Sawridge First Nation can make to locate

1 additional letters. I haven't seen your request or
2 their responses.

3 MS. BONORA: I am telling you that that is all
4 of the information that they were able to provide, so.

5 EXHIBIT NO. 7:
6 BUNDLE OF LETTERS OF ACCEPTANCE AND
7 REJECTION, FIRST ONE DATED JUNE 1, 2004
8 TO MR. ALAN MCDERMOTT AND LAST ONE DATED
9 APRIL 25, 2008 TO MR. KIERAN CARDINAL.

10 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, let's take a look at
11 the first letter in Exhibit 7. Have you at this point
12 in your role with the Trust and information that you
13 have received from Sawridge First Nation, do you have
14 any understanding of what factors would be considered
15 in a membership process around the question of whether
16 an individual has the character and lifestyle that
17 would or would not cause their admission in the band to
18 be detrimental to the future welfare and advancement of
19 the band?

20 A I do not. I can make conjecture in this particular
21 case.

22 Q If you have information I would appreciate it.

23 A He was -- this application was filled out when he was
24 in provincial jail.

25 Q I see, okay. Do you have any understanding about,
26 let's go to the letter to Ms. Belcourt which is the
27 next letter in the package, October 31st, 2012. Do you

1 have any understanding of what factors would be
2 considered when deciding whether an applicant's
3 admission into the membership of Sawridge would be in
4 the best interest and welfare of the First Nation, in a
5 general sense, firstly?

6 A Paragraph 3?

7 Q Paragraph 3, yes.

8 A No.

9 Q Do you have an understanding in relation to Ms.
10 Belcourt specifically about what factors might have
11 been in play in the decision that it would not be in
12 the best interests and welfare of the First Nation to
13 accept her as a member?

14 A No.

15 Q Do you have any understanding at this point in your
16 tenure with the Sawridge Trust about what factors would
17 be considered in assessing whether an applicant for
18 band membership has a commitment to knowledge of the
19 history, customs, traditions, culture, and communal
20 life of the First Nation?

21 A No.

22 Q Have you or the trustees ever requested some detail
23 around what goes in to an assessment of those factors
24 from Sawridge First Nation?

25 A We haven't requested any information about what goes
26 into it because we feel this is a process that is
27 totally independent and not under our purview. So what

1 we have done is asked the First Nation to consider, is
2 to consider that the process be fair and that it meet
3 the standard of administrative law, and that is it.

4 Q Other than these types of letters that are sent out to
5 applicants to tell them the results of their
6 application, are you aware of any document that the
7 Sawridge First Nation might provide to an applicant to
8 give them any more detail about the reasons for refusal
9 or acceptance? And I am just referring to the fact
10 that all of these letters sort of use a standard
11 wording without relating them back to specific facts.
12 Is there a more detailed decision document?

13 A I don't know.

14 Q You have never seen one?

15 A No.

16 Q Okay.

17 A I understand from a description given by the band
18 administrator that sometimes the council or the
19 Membership Committee will meet with one of the
20 applicants, so I would suppose that the question that
21 we are asking may lead the applicant to have a better
22 understanding. But I don't know of any documents, no.

23 Q Okay. I realize all you can do is ask, Mr. Bujold, but
24 I am going to ask you to undertake to inquire of
25 Sawridge First Nation in relation to each one of these
26 letters, and of course any other refusals or approvals
27 that these letters may not deal with, whether or not a

1 more detailed sort of reasons for decision document or
2 something that sets out in more detail for these
3 applicants what specific factors or facts in their
4 application were considered?

5 A Okay.

6 Q Thank you.

7 UNDERTAKING NO. 43:
8 RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION
9 WHETHER APPLICANTS RECEIVED A MORE
10 DETAILED REASONS FOR DECISION DOCUMENT
11 THAN THAT RECEIVED IN EXHIBIT 7 IN
12 RESPECT TO WHAT SPECIFIC FACTORS OR
13 FACTS IN THEIR APPLICATION WERE
14 CONSIDERED.

15 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Have you ever seen, or are you
16 aware of any document, a policy, a guideline, anything
17 that would provide either applicants or the people
18 within Sawridge First Nation charged with reviewing
19 membership applications with more insight into how
20 these factors that we just discussed would relate back
21 to specific facts of an individual's application?

22 A No.

23 Q I suspect that you will end up telling me that they
24 will tell you that it doesn't exist, but I am going to
25 ask you to inquire of Sawridge First Nation if they
26 have any such policy or guide that would assist in
27 detailing what factors would be considered in assessing

1 whether an individual's admission into the Sawridge
2 First Nation would be in the best interest and welfare
3 of the nation, whether an individual applying for
4 membership has a sufficient commitment to and knowledge
5 of the history, customs, traditions, and culture and
6 communal life of the First Nation, and whether an
7 individual has a character and lifestyle that would
8 make their admission in the band detrimental to the
9 future welfare or advancement of the band.

10 MS. BONORA: We will undertake to make that
11 inquiry.

12 UNDERTAKING NO. 44:

13 RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE IF THEY HAVE ANY
14 POLICY OR GUIDE THAT WOULD ASSIST IN
15 DETAILING WHAT FACTORS WOULD BE
16 CONSIDERED IN ASSESSING WHETHER AN
17 INDIVIDUAL'S ADMISSION INTO THE SAWRIDGE
18 FIRST NATION WOULD BE IN THE BEST
19 INTEREST AND WELFARE OF THE NATION, AND
20 WHETHER AN INDIVIDUAL APPLYING FOR
21 MEMBERSHIP HAS A SUFFICIENT COMMITMENT
22 TO AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE HISTORY,
23 CUSTOMS, TRADITIONS, AND CULTURE AND
24 COMMUNAL LIFE OF THE FIRST NATION, AND
25 WHETHER AN INDIVIDUAL HAS A CHARACTER
26 AND LIFESTYLE THAT WOULD MAKE THEIR
27 ADMISSION IN THE BAND DETRIMENTAL TO THE

1 FUTURE WELFARE OR ADVANCEMENT OF THE
2 BAND.

3 (Questioning adjourned 4:30 p.m.)

4 QUESTIONING RESUMED 10:00 A.M., MAY 28, 2014.

5 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, good morning.

6 A Good morning.

7 Q You will still acknowledge that you are under oath?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Thank you. Let's jump right back into membership,
10 Mr. Bujold.

11 Your counsel provided me with a copy of Sawridge
12 Constitution Act and Sawridge Governance Act. And I am
13 looking first at the Governance Act. There is a
14 provision under Section 5 that allows for complaints in
15 relation to conflicts of interest. So what I am going
16 to ask you to do is make inquiries with Sawridge First
17 Nation to obtain copies of any letters, emails, or
18 other documents that relate to complaints of conflict
19 of interest in relation to any element of the
20 membership process, whether it is a membership
21 application, Membership Appeal Committee hearing,
22 membership issues before council, or the interviews
23 that are held occasionally for members' admission.

24 UNDERTAKING NO. 45:

25 RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION TO
26 PRODUCE COPIES OF ANY LETTERS, EMAILS,
27 OR OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO

1 COMPLAINTS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN
2 RELATION TO ANY ELEMENT OF THE
3 MEMBERSHIP PROCESS, WHETHER IT IS
4 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, MEMBERSHIP
5 APPEAL COMMITTEE HEARING, MEMBERSHIP
6 ISSUES BEFORE COUNCIL, OR INTERVIEWS
7 THAT ARE HELD OCCASIONALLY FOR MEMBERS'
8 ADMISSION AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER SECTION
9 5 OF GOVERNANCE ACT.

10 MS. HUTCHISON: And if I could ask you to make the
11 same inquiries in relation to the Constitution Act
12 Article 17, Subsection (8), which allows a written
13 complaint with the Elders Commission around conflict of
14 interest. So again, we are only interested in any
15 complaints that might relate to the membership process,
16 any stage of the membership application process.

17 A Okay.

18 UNDERTAKING NO. 46:
19 RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION TO
20 PRODUCE COPIES OF ANY LETTERS, EMAILS,
21 OR OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO
22 COMPLAINTS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN
23 RELATION TO ANY ELEMENT OF THE
24 MEMBERSHIP PROCESS, WHETHER IT IS
25 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, MEMBERSHIP
26 APPEAL COMMITTEE HEARING, MEMBERSHIP
27 ISSUES BEFORE COUNCIL, OR INTERVIEWS

1 THAT ARE HELD OCCASIONALLY FOR MEMBERS'
2 ADMISSION AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER ARTICLE
3 17, SUBSECTION (8) OF THE CONSTITUTION
4 ACT.

5 MS. BONORA: Again, that is just documents,
6 correct? That is what you are asking for?

7 MS. HUTCHISON: Yes, any records that exist. I
8 recognize that there may be verbal complaints. It
9 seems that those sections are asking for written
10 complaints, so I would expect it would have to be a
11 document.

12 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Okay. Mr. Bujold, do you have
13 copies available of, there was a bundle of about seven
14 letters that your counsel provided to me in response to
15 item 10 of our sort of informal information request.

16 MS. BONORA: Is this with respect to missing
17 information?

18 MS. HUTCHISON: The applications made by minor
19 children that were deemed incomplete. So the first
20 letter I have is March 13th, 2013 letter to a
21 Mr. Wesley Twin.

22 A Yes.

23 Q Have you seen those letters before?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Could we mark those as the next exhibit as a bundle.

26 EXHIBIT NO. 8:

27 BUNDLE OF 7 LETTERS, TOP ONE DATED MARCH

1 13, 2013 FROM SAWRIDGE TO WESLEY TWIN.

2 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, do you know when these
3 applications -- it appears the membership application
4 is made for Brittany Twin, Alexander Twin and Justice
5 Twin. Do you have any other information about when the
6 applications were actually submitted?

7 A No, I don't.

8 Q Well, we have got undertakings asking for Sawridge to
9 let us know dates of receipt and dates that they were
10 processed.

11 Do you have any understanding or information about
12 whether Wesley Twin and his three minors, how they are
13 related to --

14 A To the family?

15 Q Yes.

16 A Wesley is Walter Felix's son.

17 Q Okay. With his first wife?

18 A No, Walter Felix, not Walter Patrick.

19 Q I apologize, Walter Felix.

20 A So Walter Felix, one N, Twin who -- and Wesley was
21 adopted.

22 Q And I am assuming that the mother of Brittany,
23 Alexander and Justice is not a Sawridge member?

24 A She is not a status member.

25 Q That is why there is a need for an application for
26 membership?

27 A That is right.

1 Q Do you know whether or not these membership
2 applications have now been processed?

3 A I don't.

4 Q As of January of this year they were still waiting for
5 information on them, I understand.

6 A Yes, so these all related to Wesley? Yes.

7 Q It appears that the entire bundle relates to his three
8 children?

9 A Right. And I haven't received notice from Sawridge
10 First Nation that these children have been admitted
11 into membership, so. I presume that their applications
12 are still outstanding.

13 Q And are you aware of any other pending membership
14 applications that relate to infants or minor
15 dependents?

16 A No, I am not.

17 Q Okay. And so I just want to tie in to a document that
18 we were talking about previously, Mr. Bujold. So the
19 trustees had at one point sent out what we were looking
20 at as Exhibit D attached to your September 12th
21 Affidavit, I believe. Sorry, attached to your August
22 30th Affidavit. The November 24th, 2009 letter?

23 A Yes.

24 Q So just talking about present day, when the trustees
25 become aware of a membership application similar to the
26 ones that we are looking at in Exhibit 8, is there a
27 process then where they receive a letter similar to

1 this November 24th, 2009 letter or something that
2 alerts them to this proceeding, alerts them to the
3 existence of the Trust?

4 A No, because the trustees generally don't become aware
5 of membership applications that are in process until
6 they are completed, and so they don't alert anybody.
7 Yeah, they don't alert anybody about the proceedings
8 proactively.

9 Q Proactively?

10 A Yes.

11 Q So, and I am sort of surmising here so please let me
12 know if I am not surmising correctly. So the trustees
13 would wait until a membership application was actually
14 approved by Sawridge First Nation before any contact
15 would be made with that individual about whether they
16 were now a beneficiary under one of the Trusts?

17 A That is right.

18 Q And tell me about that process. How do the trustees
19 find out about new membership approvals?

20 A Usually I receive an email from the band administration
21 office informing me that certain membership
22 applications have been approved and giving me the
23 coordinates of those people. Then I send them a letter
24 informing them that they are beneficiaries of the
25 Trust. And at this point I am just informing them that
26 they are beneficiaries of the 1986 Trust.

27 Q Right.

1 A And then I send them a package of information about
2 what benefits are available to them.

3 Q So it is sort of a standard form, standard package?

4 A That is right.

5 Q Okay. Could you undertake to just give me a copy of
6 the standard notification or first contact package that
7 you send out?

8 A For a new beneficiary?

9 Q Yes.

10 A Yes.

11 Q Thank you.

12 UNDERTAKING NO. 47:

13 RE PRODUCE STANDARD NOTIFICATION OR
14 FIRST CONTACT PACKAGE SENT OUT FOR A NEW
15 BENEFICIARY.

16 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, I am referring to -- at
17 the moment I am taking a look at a letter that I got
18 from your counsel dated January 27th, 2014 that sets
19 out a summary of Sawridge First Nation membership
20 application process and decisions which I don't believe
21 we can mark at this point in time. Sorry, can we just
22 go off.

23 (Discussion off the Record.)

24 MS. HUTCHISON: So we have just had a chat off the
25 record, and we will refrain from any reference to the
26 January 27th, 2014 correspondence for the purposes of
27 this examination.

1 MS. BONORA: Because it was provided on a
2 without prejudice basis.

3 MS. HUTCHISON: The memorandum attached to it was,
4 yes.

5 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Now, Mr. Bujold, are you at all
6 familiar with the membership applications or the
7 process around the membership applications for
8 Elizabeth Poitras and Tracy Poitras Collins?

9 A In a very general way. I certainly have seen
10 correspondence related to that.

11 Q Okay. What sort of correspondence? Have you been
12 copied by the band, or?

13 A I haven't been copied by the band, but there were some
14 documents that we received in the collection of trust
15 documents that happened to contain some of that
16 information.

17 Q Okay.

18 A I have had conversations, many conversations with Liz
19 Poitras.

20 Q Are you aware of the status of Tracy Poitras Collins of
21 the Sawridge Band membership at this point?

22 A Yes, I am.

23 Q What is your understanding?

24 A She is a full member.

25 Q What is your understanding of the process that she went
26 through prior to getting membership approved? Was she
27 approved by Chief and Council? Did she have to move

1 through the appeal process? What is your
2 understanding?

3 A My understanding, and this is only in hearsay, was that
4 her application had to go through the appeal process.

5 Q Okay. And has she now received one of those
6 introductory packages as a Trust beneficiary?

7 A She has, and she is receiving benefits for her
8 education amongst other things.

9 Q Through the 1986 Trust?

10 A That is right.

11 Q And am I correct in understanding that under the
12 current definition she would not qualify as a
13 beneficiary of the '85 Trust?

14 A That is right.

15 Q But she would qualify if the new definition is
16 approved?

17 A That is right.

18 Q I am just trying to get a sense of that. I am going to
19 ask you to undertake to get in touch with the Sawridge
20 First Nation and request any documents that they have
21 in relation to Tracy Poitras Collins' membership
22 application, and the various decisions that were made
23 along the way right up until the final decision that
24 approved her membership. So we are looking for the
25 letters that might have been sent out to her to tell
26 her the results of the initial application; if there
27 was then an appeal, the result of that; if there was a

1 community interview, the result of that. Really
2 anything.

3 MS. BONORA: And why Tracy Poitras? Why are you
4 singling her out and asking for her information?

5 MS. HUTCHISON: Because it is an example of how the
6 membership process has worked or not worked. So we
7 have been having some trouble getting information from
8 -- we have asked for some broad undertakings, I just
9 want to make sure that on this one we know that there
10 is some documentation that should exist.

11 MS. BONORA: And have you made inquiries of
12 Tracy to provide that information yourself?

13 MS. HUTCHISON: Do you want to go off the record
14 for a minute?

15 (Discussion off the Record.)

16 MS. HUTCHISON: So we will leave that undertaking
17 on the record as is, and Ms. Bonora, I understand that
18 you would like to take it under advisement.

19 MS. BONORA: Yes.

20 UNDERTAKING NO. 48: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)
21 RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION AND
22 REQUEST ANY DOCUMENTS THEY HAVE IN
23 RELATION TO TRACY POITRAS COLLINS'
24 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, AND THE VARIOUS
25 DECISIONS MADE ALONG THE WAY RIGHT UP TO
26 THE FINAL DECISION THAT APPROVED HER
27 MEMBERSHIP INCLUDING LETTERS THAT MIGHT

1 HAVE BEEN SENT OUT TO HER INITIALLY,
2 RESULTS OF ANY APPEALS AND RESULTS OF
3 ANY COMMUNITY INTERVIEW.

4 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, we have certainly had
5 some discussions already about what the Sawridge
6 trustees have been doing to identify and locate
7 beneficiaries, or potential beneficiaries of the '85 or
8 the '86 Trust. I am assuming -- I should just say '85,
9 but I think there is going to be overlap between the
10 two. Is there anything that we haven't talked about
11 that the trustees have been actively doing to identify
12 and locate particularly minor beneficiaries or
13 potential minor beneficiaries? Any other efforts or
14 research that we haven't already gone over?

15 A The other thing that the trustees have been doing is
16 based on their knowledge of the various families,
17 because it is a very small number.

18 Q Right.

19 A They have certainly identified certain potential
20 beneficiaries or, you know, minor beneficiaries that
21 should be checked out. That is how the list -- that is
22 how we came up with the list.

23 Q Okay. So the results of that research or dialoguing
24 will be in the list that you are going to provide to me
25 by way of undertaking?

26 A That is right.

27 Q Are there ongoing efforts being made in that regard, or

1 have they just stopped since the application was filed?

2 A I continue to keep -- because of the benefits provided
3 by the Sawridge Trust under the '86 Trust sometimes
4 extend to dependents I have to keep track of all births
5 and, you know, when children become adults and deaths,
6 so I do keep track of that information by polling the
7 known beneficiaries themselves, and I also receive
8 information from the band office when there is a birth
9 or a death, or.

10 Q So there is a process for communication between the
11 Trust and the First Nation at least around that
12 particular topic?

13 A That is right.

14 Q So new applications for membership, or approval for
15 membership you are advised of?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Not applications, though?

18 A No.

19 Q And then you are advised if an existing member were to
20 pass away or have a minor -- have a new child?

21 A That is right.

22 Q And I am just thinking for a moment about some of the
23 discussions that we had around Exhibit D, that November
24 24th, 2009 letter. Is there a process at the moment
25 where the trustees are also tracking whether these
26 individual beneficiaries or potential beneficiaries are
27 on or off reserve, or do you just deal with that issue

1 at such time as you have to actually provide a benefit?

2 A No, I also, as part of my own information, data base,
3 keep track of who is living on and off reserve.

4 Q Okay.

5 A And again, I check this with the band office and often
6 with the beneficiaries themselves.

7 Q Okay. And so how does the nation provide that
8 information to the Trust? Is it sort of you just
9 inquire from time to time, or do they actually notify
10 you when there is a change in residency?

11 A We keep each other -- because sometimes I receive
12 information that the First Nation doesn't receive
13 because the beneficiaries know that they have
14 connection with the Trust in terms of benefits. So
15 they do usually keep me apprised of their address
16 changes and changes in status. And so either I receive
17 that information directly from the beneficiaries or I
18 receive it from the band office if they get the
19 information first. And we also, I don't know how to
20 put this, we sort of keep track of the rumour mill of
21 where people have moved and who has had kids and who is
22 getting married and who has died or who is sick. So we
23 -- and the band office and the Trust office keep each
24 other informed because we need -- I mean we have a
25 mutual interest.

26 Q You need to keep track of the individuals that you are
27 trying to provide services to?

1 A That is right.

2 Q Okay. So, Mr. Bujold, looking at Exhibit 3, that is
3 the September 2011 letter, and we have chatted about
4 this. So that letter was sent out after the trustees
5 got some direction from Justice Thomas about who was to
6 be notified about the applications?

7 A That is correct.

8 Q So Justice Thomas gave you the categories, as it were,
9 of the people that were to be notified?

10 A That is correct.

11 Q Is there anything that we haven't already discussed in
12 terms of the various lists that you have developed that
13 was done by the trustees to actually generate or
14 populate, I guess, the list of names within each
15 category of individual that you were to send this
16 letter out to?

17 A I think that we have talked about all of the lists that
18 were generated as part of that process. I don't recall
19 that there is anything that we have missed. I think
20 that we have pretty much covered everything.

21 Q And it is hard not having some of the documents, there
22 may be other things that we need to chat about. But if
23 you do find as you are dealing with the answers to
24 undertakings that there were -- there is additional
25 documentation or background, research that led to you
26 developing the list that you used to send out this form
27 letter, September 1st, 2011, we would just like to see

1 anything that relates to potential beneficiaries
2 particularly, and most particularly any minor
3 dependents that those potential beneficiaries or actual
4 beneficiaries may have?

5 MS. BONORA: We will take that under advisement.
6 I am not sure that the research wouldn't partly be
7 privileged. I mean I think we can provide you with the
8 list which I think that we have already done. You are
9 now asking for the background information to the list,
10 is that what you are asking for?

11 MS. HUTCHISON: That is right, Ms. Bonora. So what
12 we are trying to -- obviously we don't know what
13 information was used to develop the list, and whether
14 or not the lists reflect potential minor beneficiaries.
15 You know, we don't know -- frankly, we don't know what
16 information was obtained. So we want to be sure that
17 we have got individuals, adults, identified as actual
18 beneficiaries or potential beneficiaries, that the
19 Office of the Public Trustee is fully aware of whether
20 they have children who may also have the potential to
21 be beneficiaries or to benefit from the Trust. So we
22 are just looking --

23 MS. BONORA: Just to short-circuit that, isn't
24 really what you are looking at is perhaps anyone who
25 didn't make it to the list? Like the idea is if the
26 person is on the list now you know about them, you can
27 investigate whether they have children, although their

1 children are listed. So you are going to get all of
2 the people who are notified, you are going to get the
3 lists of children. So really you don't want the
4 research on those people, that doesn't matter to you.

5 MS. HUTCHISON: Well, it does if the research
6 perhaps indicates that they have minor dependents,
7 because as we say, the minor dependents may or may not
8 have made it on the list.

9 MS. BONORA: No, the minor dependents are on the
10 list. All of the minors are on the list. So I am just
11 wondering -- I just think that what you are asking for
12 is something that is not going to be of any assistance.
13 If the person is on the list and the minors are on the
14 list why would you need the research behind that?

15 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, for every adult that is
16 on your list that you are going to be providing me by
17 way of undertaking, have you also listed their minor
18 dependents on the list?

19 A No.

20 MS. BONORA: Okay, sorry.

21 MS. HUTCHISON: I think that I will just leave the
22 undertaking on the record.

23 A So the applicants, those people who applied under this
24 process of the November 2009 letter.

25 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Where you sent out that form.

26 A That is right, so we didn't get a complete list of
27 minors. They often didn't give us the age of their

1 children. If they listed their children they often
2 didn't give us an age. So we didn't create a list of
3 those potential minors who would be involved.

4 Q Understood. So the form that we haven't seen yet, but
5 the form that you sent out when people contacted you
6 after you emailed them the November 24th, 2009 letter,
7 did ask for some information about minor dependents or
8 children, I take it?

9 A It did. Yes, it did.

10 Q Okay.

11 A That was often left blank.

12 Q Okay. So, you know, I know one of our undertakings was
13 to ask for copies of those forms that were returned?

14 A Yes.

15 Q So it may be that once we see those forms it answers
16 some of our questions. But I am looking for any other
17 research or documentation or information that would
18 assist us in determining whether the people on your
19 list have got minor dependents or not. So if --

20 A We couldn't identify that at the moment.

21 MS. BONORA: Are you going to have any other
22 documents that you can provide?

23 A Well, other than the application form which may list
24 the names of children; if they don't put the birthday,
25 I don't know if it is a minor or not. And if the
26 children that are listed -- I mean if there is no other
27 description of them other than their name, I don't even

1 know if they would qualify.

2 Q MS. HUTCHISON: So just so that I get the process
3 clear in my own mind, Mr. Bujold, so you get these
4 application forms back?

5 A Right.

6 Q And if there wasn't complete information on, let's just
7 talk about the minors or the children, there wasn't a
8 process then where you phoned or followed up and did
9 additional research on those particular applications?

10 A No. The way that the application process worked is
11 that anybody who wanted to apply had to apply for their
12 children as well, and they were informed of that
13 usually on the phone, when they phoned in. So some did
14 fill out separate applications for their children, most
15 of whom were not minors, but. And then sometimes the
16 children would list their children, but not necessarily
17 applied for them.

18 Q Okay.

19 A And so it was sort of a complicated process, you know,
20 that they -- some people were very detailed in what
21 they provided, some people were not.

22 Q Okay.

23 A And some people filled out separate application forms
24 for their children, minors or not, and some didn't. So
25 the -- in order for the Trust to be able to even deal
26 with these children we would have had to have had the
27 same kind of information that their parents were

1 providing. And if we didn't have it, then they
2 wouldn't have received notice.

3 Q Okay. So essentially, if I am understanding correctly,
4 you get the application forms back in and there just
5 wasn't, at least at this point in time, there is not a
6 process for follow-up to gather more information. You
7 are just accepting the information in those application
8 forms as is?

9 A That is right.

10 Q Okay. So I think because we will have an opportunity
11 to chat with you again if we need to, when we get your
12 answer to undertaking with all of the copies of the
13 application forms, perhaps we will just leave that. It
14 doesn't sound like there is any more research that we
15 can identify right now. So I will reserve my further
16 questions on that, I think, until we get the answer to
17 that previous undertaking?

18 A You know, on the applications, even though we asked
19 people for this information, it wasn't a process -- we
20 hadn't decided how we were going to deal with the
21 information that we received in this process.

22 Q Right. And then you proceeded with the application for
23 advice and direction?

24 A That is right.

25 Q And that is sort of -- I am using my own words, so
26 don't feel you have to adopt it, but once you filed the
27 application for advice and direction you sort of

1 suspended the qualification process as it were?

2 A That is right, because initially there was another
3 possibility and we looked at other ways of determining
4 who the beneficiaries were prior to the application for
5 advice and direction. So, you know, we looked at, you
6 know, some kind of review, some kind of arbitration
7 review, you know, some kind of process, tribunal, we
8 looked at the applications and then, you know,
9 interviewed the applicants. And then it was determined
10 that the Trusts had no right to inquire as to who the
11 members of the Sawridge First Nation were or should be
12 because that wasn't under our purview, under our legal
13 purview. So that is why we went for the application
14 for advice and direction.

15 Q Okay.

16 A The applications that we asked for led nowhere.

17 Q Okay.

18 A So we ended up with, you know, impartial -- or not
19 impartial, but partial information that couldn't go
20 anywhere.

21 Q Okay.

22 A So it sort of sat there.

23 Q So am I to understand at some point in time the Trust
24 wasn't able to get all of the information that you
25 wanted from the First Nation? There were privacy
26 concerns?

27 A No, that wasn't what the issue was. The issue was

1 whether or not the Trusts had the right to determine
2 who the beneficiaries were, given that the two trustees
3 named the beneficiaries as members of the Sawridge
4 First Nation.

5 Q Okay.

6 A So we would have to then determine who members would
7 be. And we felt that that question was beyond our
8 purview.

9 Q Okay.

10 A So then the legal obligation for determining membership
11 falls entirely within the Sawridge First Nation and not
12 with the Sawridge Trusts. And so it left us with a lot
13 of information that we couldn't do anything with,
14 because we couldn't determine membership not having
15 that as part of our legal responsibility.

16 Q Understood. Thank you for clarifying that, Mr. Bujold.

17 A Okay.

18 Q Just turning to Exhibit J of your September 12th, 2011
19 Affidavit. And if you just turn to the signature page,
20 Mr. Bujold. Have the trustees been able to locate a
21 copy of this document that has been signed by all of
22 the trustees, or is this the only one?

23 A It is the only one that we have got.

24 Q Okay. Have you been able, just looking at page 1 of
25 that document, have you been able to locate copies of
26 any minutes of the general meeting that is referred to
27 as being held on April 15th, 1985 to ratify and approve

1 the settlement of the '85 Trust?

2 MS. BONORA: Sorry, can you just tell me what
3 you are referencing?

4 Q MS. HUTCHISON: The second paragraph, "And whereas
5 the settlement was ratified and approved at a general
6 meeting of the Sawridge Indian Band held at the Band
7 office in Slave Lake, Alberta."

8 A Okay.

9 Q Have you been able to locate any minutes or documents
10 that would tell us whether there is any discussion of
11 the transfer of assets?

12 A Other than --

13 Q Sorry, I'm looking at Exhibit J?

14 A I know. The other -- the only other thing that we have
15 got is this resolution.

16 Q And that is --

17 A Exhibit I.

18 Q You are talking to the resolution attached to Exhibit
19 I. It is the last page of Exhibit I, is that right?

20 MS. BONORA: There is only one page of Exhibit
21 I.

22 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Sorry?

23 A It is just the resolution. That is the only record
24 that we have.

25 Q Okay.

26 A So I don't know if there were minutes that were taken
27 at that meeting other than this resolution.

1 Q Okay.

2 A I think that the resolution is the only document that
3 we have got on record.

4 Q Okay. Have you made any inquiries with Sawridge about
5 whether they have got other documentation that relates
6 to that April 15th, 1985 meeting?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And they have nothing?

9 A They have nothing.

10 Q Okay. Have you been able to discuss with, I'm just
11 looking at the signatories on Exhibit I, it looks like
12 we have Walter Felix Twin and Catherine Twinn, at
13 least.

14 Have you been able to find out from those two
15 individuals whether they recall if there was any
16 information presented about the assets that were
17 actually being transferred at that meeting?

18 A We never inquired.

19 Q Could I ask you to undertake to speak to them? And I
20 do understand that Walter Felix Twin may simply not be
21 able to --

22 MS. BONORA: We won't give the undertaking on
23 Walter Felix because there is a dementia issue, so.

24 MS. HUTCHISON: If you could undertake to make the
25 inquiries of Catherine Twinn about her recollection of
26 whether or not there was -- what I am looking for is
27 was there a paper trail. Was there some documentation

1 around the transfer of the 1982 Trust assets to the
2 1985 Trust at this April 15th, 1985 meeting.

3 MS. BONORA: Sorry, was there a paper trail
4 presented at this meeting? Is that what you are asking
5 for?

6 MS. HUTCHISON: Was there information or
7 documentation? I am looking for the paper trail.

8 MS. BONORA: But I am just -- you know, a paper
9 trail indicates that there is a whole bunch of
10 documents. We have presented a whole bunch of
11 documents. You are asking was their documents
12 presented at this meeting? Is that what the
13 undertaking is?

14 MS. HUTCHISON: Let's phrase the undertaking this
15 way. Could you please make inquiries with Catherine
16 Twinn about any recollection that she has of what was
17 discussed at the April 15th, 1985 meeting that the
18 Sawridge Band resolution presented at Exhibit I of this
19 Affidavit dealt with, and then specifically does she
20 recall if there was any discussion or documentation
21 presented in relation to the transfer of assets from
22 the 1982 Trust to the 1985 Trust. And also if Ms.
23 Twinn has any documentation of that particular meeting,
24 if you could undertake to make those inquiries and
25 provide anything that she has.

26 UNDERTAKING NO. 49:

27 RE INQUIRE OF CATHERINE TWINN HER

1 RECOLLECTION OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED AT
2 THE APRIL 15TH, 1985 MEETING THAT THE
3 SAWRIDGE BAND RESOLUTION PRESENTED AT
4 EXHIBIT I OF MR. BUJOLD'S SEPTEMBER 12,
5 2011 AFFIDAVIT DEALT WITH. SPECIFICALLY
6 DOES SHE RECALL IF THERE WAS ANY
7 DISCUSSION OR DOCUMENTATION PRESENTED IN
8 RELATION TO THE TRANSFER OF ASSETS FROM
9 THE 1982 TRUST TO THE 1985 TRUST. ALSO
10 INQUIRE IF MS. TWINN HAS ANY
11 DOCUMENTATION OF THAT PARTICULAR
12 MEETING.

13 Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, just looking at Exhibit
14 A of your August 30th, 2011 Affidavit. So that is the
15 1982 Declaration of Trust. And I am looking at
16 paragraph 10 of that instrument.

17 A Which one?

18 Q Paragraph 10 on page 5. So I just want to be clear in
19 some of the discussions that we have had around the
20 transfer of assets from the '82 Trust to the '85 Trust,
21 I take it that you have at this point made every
22 inquiry that you have been able to to try and locate
23 any documentation that would have been kept pursuant to
24 this paragraph?

25 A Yes.

26 Q You have, okay. And you have provided us with copies
27 of anything that in any way relates to, or you will be

1 by way of undertaking, anything that relates to the
2 transfer of the assets in the '82 Trust to the '85
3 Trust?

4 A Yes.

5 Q Okay. What is your understanding of what system did
6 the trustees have for -- there is an identical
7 paragraph to this in the '85 Trust. What system did
8 they have for keeping accounts, receipts,
9 disbursements, investments, and transactions prior to
10 you assuming the role of CEO?

11 A For the 1982 Trust all of the records were kept in the
12 band office and were administered through the band
13 office.

14 Q Okay.

15 A From 1985, so that includes both the '85 and '86
16 Trusts, until, I think until 2003, or it could be 2001,
17 the records were kept in the band office.

18 Q Okay. So some of the challenges that we talked about
19 in terms of documenting exactly what happened with the
20 transfer of assets from 1982 Trust to the 1985 Trust,
21 is it just a situation where the documents are no
22 longer -- they were perhaps in the band office at one
23 point and are no longer there, or?

24 A Yes, and I just wanted to continue. From either 2001
25 or 2003, whenever they switched over, then the
26 companies kept the Trust documents until I arrived in
27 2009. So company employees were managing the

1 transactions. Since that time I have maintained all of
2 the records.

3 Q Okay.

4 A When the records were in the band office, previous
5 year's records were kept in a storage room -- or in a
6 storage building, and I understand that there was a
7 flood or a fire that destroyed some of those documents.

8 Q Okay. Do you know what year?

9 A No, I don't. So when we started inquiring, you know,
10 the reason for not obtaining all of the documents was
11 that there had been a flood or a fire, and some of
12 these documents simply did not exist anymore. So they
13 aren't in the band office anymore and we, as far as we
14 know, have extracted out of the storage building for
15 records anything that remained, and out of the
16 companies anything that remained, and out of the
17 offices of the Trust anything that remained. So it is
18 quite possible that the band office also may not have
19 had the same records-keeping policy. So they, you
20 know, they wouldn't have realized that you need to keep
21 Trust records forever and probably used the seven-year
22 rule and also destroyed some of the records.

23 Q Okay.

24 A So some of that, you know, sort of leads to the paucity
25 of documents in the first place.

26 Q Thank you, Mr. Bujold.

27 (Questioning adjourned.)

(Questioning resumed.)

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Q MS. HUTCHISON: Mr. Bujold, you acknowledge that you are still under oath?

A Yes, I do.

Q I just have one last question, Mr. Bujold. Have you been able to locate any minutes of trustees' meetings, either for the 1982 Trust or the '85 Trust, for the time period 1982 to 1986? Were there any minutes at all that exist for that time period?

A There are some minutes, yes. I am not sure if they go as far back as '82. I would have to check and see.

Q Have you reviewed the minutes that are available for any information that would assist or relate to the transfer of assets, either from individuals into the '82 Trust, or from the '82 Trust into the '85 Trust, or that one transfer that we are aware of from an individual to the '85 Trust. Have you looked for that information?

A No, I haven't been that filtered.

Q If I could ask you to undertake to just look at what is available, obviously?

A And just from '82 to '86?

Q Well, you know what, let's actually just say any date range where you are going to find information that may assist us with the asset transfer. I mean I can't speculate about whether the asset transfer might have been discussed at a later date.

1 A Okay.

2 Q It seems as though '82 to '86 is our most likely date
3 range, but if there is information in the minutes after
4 that date range that relates to these asset transfers,
5 either from the individual into the Trust, or from the
6 '82 Trust into the '85 Trust?

7 A Okay.

8 Q As you are aware from our discussions that is a topic
9 of interest.

10 A Okay.

11 UNDERTAKING NO. 50:

12 RE REVIEW ANY TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES
13 AVAILABLE RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF
14 ASSETS FROM INDIVIDUALS INTO THE '82
15 TRUST, OR '82 TRUST INTO '85 TRUST, OR
16 THE ONE INDIVIDUAL TRANSFER TO THE '85
17 TRUST.

18 MS. HUTCHISON: And I think that that is it. Now I
19 don't think that we need to belabour this, but Ms.
20 Bonora and I have had some discussions on we may have
21 some additional questions on the documents that we
22 received sort of later in the day, and of course we may
23 have questions on your answers to undertakings, but
24 other than those two areas we are concluded in our
25 examination on your Affidavit.

26 A That is good.

27 Q Thank you.

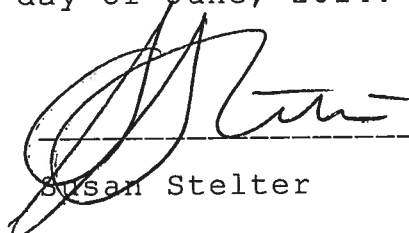
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3	RE PROVIDE LIST OF WHO SAT ON SAWRIDGE FIRST	
4	NATION CHIEF AND COUNCIL FROM 1985 UNTIL	
5	PRESENT	
6	UNDERTAKING NO. 2:	13
7	RE ADVISE WHO THE SAWRIDGE TRUSTEES WERE	
8	FROM 1985 TO PRESENT, BREAKING IT UP INTO	
9	TERMS THAT THEY SAT IF THEY HAD MULTIPLE	
10	TERMS, AND PROVIDE DATE RANGE	
11	UNDERTAKING NO. 3:	16
12	RE ADVISE OF ANY OTHER TITLES OR POSITIONS	
13	JUSTIN TWIN HOLDS UNDER THE SAWRIDGE FIRST	
14	NATION.	
15	UNDERTAKING NO. 4:	18
16	RE ADVISE WHETHER CATHERINE TWINN HOLDS ANY	
17	OTHER ROLES, TITLES, POSITIONS, OR FULFILLS	
18	ANY OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE SAWRIDGE	
19	FIRST NATION OTHER THAN THAT PREVIOUSLY	
20	DISCUSSED.	
21	UNDERTAKING NO. 5:	21
22	RE ADVISE WHICH YEAR BERTHA L'HIRONDELLE WAS	
23	ACCEPTED BACK INTO THE SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION	
24	AS A MEMBER.	
25	UNDERTAKING NO. 6:	23
26	RE ADVISE IF BERTHA L'HIRONDELLE HOLDS ANY	
27	OTHER ROLES, TITLES, POSITIONS OR HAS OTHER	
28	SIGNIFICANT RESPONSIBILITIES WITHIN THE	
29	SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION STRUCTURE.	
30	UNDERTAKING NO. 7:	24
31	RE DETERMINE IF CLARA MIDBO HOLDS ANY OTHER	
32	ROLES, TITLES, POSITIONS OR RESPONSIBILITIES	
33	WITH SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION.	
34	UNDERTAKING NO. 8:	25
35	RE ADVISE IF ROLAND TWINN HOLDS ANY OTHER	
36	ROLES, TITLES, POSITIONS OR RESPONSIBILITIES	
37	FOR SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION.	
38	UNDERTAKING NO. 9:	26
39	RE CONFIRM WHETHER WALTER FELIX TWIN HOLDS	
40	ANY OTHER ROLES, TITLES, POSITIONS OR HAS	
41	SIGNIFICANT RESPONSIBILITIES WITHIN THE	
42	SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION.	

1	UNDERTAKING NO. 10:	28
2	RE PROVIDE A COPY OF ANY POLICIES OR	
3	CONTRACTS OR OTHER DOCUMENTATION RELATING TO	
4	A CODE OF CONDUCT OR MATTERS SUCH AS	
5	CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR THE TRUSTEES	
6	THEMSELVES.	
7	UNDERTAKING NO. 11:	31
8	RE ON A BEST EFFORTS BASIS DETERMINE WHETHER	
9	THERE ARE ANY GUIDELINES, POLICIES,	
10	CONTRACTS OR ANY DOCUMENTATION RELATING TO	
11	CODES OF CONDUCT OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN	
12	RELATION TO THE MEMBERSHIP REVIEW COMMITTEE,	
13	MEMBERSHIP APPEAL COMMITTEE, OR CHIEF AND	
14	COUNCIL SPECIFIC TO MEMBERSHIP.	
15	UNDERTAKING NO. 12: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)	38
16	RE PROVIDE COPIES OF ANY COMMUNICATIONS SENT	
17	TO MR. FENNELL, WHETHER THEY WERE BY LETTER,	
18	EMAIL, OR OTHERWISE, DOCUMENTING THE REQUEST	
19	THAT WAS BEING MADE.	
20	UNDERTAKING NO. 13:	39
21	RE CONTACT MR. FENNELL AND ADVISE WHETHER OR	
22	NOT HE HAS ANY DOCUMENTATION OR ACCESS TO	
23	DOCUMENTATION OR IS AWARE OF ANOTHER	
24	RESOURCE OR SOURCE THAT MAY HAVE DOCUMENTS	
25	RELEVANT TO THE ASSETS THAT WERE HELD BY	
26	INDIVIDUALS AND THEN THE TRANSFER FROM THOSE	
27	INDIVIDUALS TO THE '82 TRUST, OR RELEVANT TO	
28	THE TRANSFER OF ASSETS FROM THE '82 TRUST TO	
29	THE '85 TRUST.	
30	UNDERTAKING NO. 14: (REFUSED)	41
31	RE PROVIDE COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTATION SENT	
32	ATTEMPTING TO SEEK INFORMATION FROM DAVID	
33	JONES.	
34	UNDERTAKING NO. 15:	41
35	RE CONTACT MR. JONES AND ADVISE WHETHER OR	
36	NOT HE HAS ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS THAT RELATE	
37	TO THE ASSETS HELD BY INDIVIDUALS THAT WERE	
38	ULTIMATELY TRANSFERRED TO THE 1982 TRUST, OR	
39	THE ASSETS THAT WERE THEN TRANSFERRED FROM	
40	THE 1982 TRUST TO THE 1985 TRUST.	
41	UNDERTAKING NO. 16:	44
42	RE PRODUCE DOCUMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE	
43	TRANSFER OF THE ASSETS FROM INDIVIDUALS INTO	
44	THE 1982 TRUST AND THEN FROM THE 1982 TRUST	
45	TO THE 1985 TRUST, AND THE ADDITIONAL	
46	FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.	
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1 UNDERTAKING NO. 17: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)
2 RE INQUIRE OF THE VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS AND
3 SOURCES PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED TO DETERMINE IF
4 THEY HAVE ANY DOCUMENTATION OR INFORMATION
5 THAT WOULD ASSIST IN UNDERSTANDING WHAT
6 SPECIFIC ASSETS WERE INTENDED TO BE SETTLED
7 AS THE CERTAIN ASSETS REFERRED TO IN EXHIBIT
8 B, AND WHAT SPECIFIC ASSETS WERE INTENDED TO
9 BE INCLUDED IN THE DECLARATION OF TRUST AT
10 EXHIBIT A.

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11 UNDERTAKING NO. 18:
12 RE INQUIRE OF CRA AND DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN
13 AFFAIRS TO DETERMINE IF THEY HAVE
14 DOCUMENTATION SHOWING WHAT ASSETS WERE
15 INTENDED TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE TRUST
16 SETTLEMENT AT EXHIBIT A, THE 1982 TRUST OR
17 DECLARATION OF TRUST, AND ANY DOCUMENTATION
18 INDICATING WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE TRANSFER
19 FROM THE 1982 TRUST TO THE 1985 TRUST.

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20 UNDERTAKING NO. 19: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)
21 RE PRODUCE WRITTEN DOCUMENTATION THAT
22 SUPPORTS THE UNDERSTANDING SET OUT IN
23 PARAGRAPH 15 AND 18 OF MR. BUJOLD'S
24 SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2011 AFFIDAVIT.

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25 UNDERTAKING NO. 20:
26 RE PRODUCE ANY PORTION OF BOARD MEETING
27 MINUTES DEALING WITH THE DIRECTION
28 REFERENCED IN PARAGRAPH 7 OF MR. BUJOLD'S
29 AUGUST 30, 2011 AFFIDAVIT.

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30 UNDERTAKING NO. 21:
31 RE ADVISE WHICH PUBLICATIONS WERE ADVERTISED
32 IN, HOW REGULARLY, AND OVER WHAT PERIOD OF
33 TIME. ALSO PROVIDE COPY OF ADVERTISEMENT.

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34 UNDERTAKING NO. 22:
35 RE PROVIDE ANY RESPONSES RECEIVED TO
36 NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT.

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37 UNDERTAKING NO. 23:
38 RE PRODUCE COPY OF STANDARD FORM THAT WAS
39 SENT OUT TO THOSE WHO RESPONDED TO AD.

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40 UNDERTAKING NO. 24:
41 RE PRODUCE COPIES OF ANY COMPLETED OR
42 PARTIALLY COMPLETED APPLICATIONS RECEIVED
43 BACK.

1	UNDERTAKING NO. 25:	87
2	RE PRODUCE ALL THREE LISTS REFERENCED IN	
3	PARAGRAPH 10 AND 11 OF MR. BUJOLD'S AUGUST	
4	30, 2011 AFFIDAVIT.	
5	UNDERTAKING NO. 26:	93
6	RE PRODUCE COPY OF FLOW CHART REFERENCED ON	
7	PAGE 2 OF EXHIBIT D TO MR. BUJOLD'S AUGUST	
8	30, 2011 AFFIDAVIT.	
9	UNDERTAKING NO. 27: (UNDER ADVISEMENT)	93
10	RE ADVISE WHO THE DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS OF	
11	SAWRIDGE HOLDINGS LTD. AND 352736 ALBERTA	
12	LTD. WERE IN 2011 AND ADVISE IF THERE WERE	
13	ANY CHANGES IN THE INTERIM.	
14	UNDERTAKING NO. 28:	113
15	RE PROVIDE LIST OF MINOR BENEFICIARIES	
16	IMPACTED BY THE APPLICATION, INCLUDING	
17	IDENTITY AND CONTACT INFORMATION, AND THEIR	
18	REASONS FOR QUALIFYING.	
19	UNDERTAKING NO. 29:	115
20	RE PROVIDE ANY CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE	
21	MINISTER RESPECTING THE REQUEST FOR	
22	INFORMATION AND REFUSAL TO PROVIDE THE	
23	CURRENT LIST OF INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED IN	
24	PARAGRAPH 12 OF MR. BUJOLD'S AUGUST 30, 2011	
25	AFFIDAVIT.	
26	UNDERTAKING NO. 30:	118
27	RE REVIEW DOCUMENTATION AND PRODUCE ANYTHING	
28	NONPRIVILEGED DEALING WITH THE TOPIC OF THE	
29	DETERMINATION OF THE TRUSTEES MAINTAINING	
30	THE DEFINITION OF BENEFICIARIES FROM THE	
31	1985 TRUST WOULD BE POTENTIALLY	
32	DISCRIMINATORY, INCLUDING ANY COMMUNICATION	
33	BETWEEN THE TRUSTEES AND THE SAWRIDGE FIRST	
34	NATION.	
35	UNDERTAKING NO. 31:	124
36	RE PROVIDE LIST OF WHO THE 31 DEPENDENT	
37	CHILDREN WERE AT THE TIME THE AFFIDAVIT WAS	
38	SWORN AND IDENTIFY OF THOSE 31 WHICH WERE	
39	THE 23 THAT QUALIFIED AS BENEFICIARIES OF	
40	THE '85 TRUST AT THE TIME THAT THE AFFIDAVIT	
41	WAS SWORN AND WHICH WERE THE EIGHT THAT DID	
42	NOT QUALIFY. ALSO UPDATE THE LIST UNTIL	
43	TODAY'S DATE.	

1	UNDERTAKING NO. 32:	126
2	RE PROVIDE LIST OF INDIVIDUALS ADDED BY	
3	JUSTICE HUGGESSEN TO BE MEMBERS OF SAWRIDGE	
4	AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE '86 TRUST	
5	UNDERTAKING NO. 33:	130
6	RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION AS TO	
7	NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS THEY RECEIVED BETWEEN	
8	1985 AND 1993, HOW MANY WERE RECEIVED, HOW	
9	MANY WERE PROCESSED, AND WHAT THE OUTCOME OF	
10	THOSE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS WERE FROM 1985	
11	TO 1993.	
12	UNDERTAKING NO. 34:	132
13	RE REQUEST OF THE SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION TO	
14	PRODUCE COPIES OF ALL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION	
15	FORMS THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED FROM 1985	
16	UNTIL PRESENT DATE.	
17	UNDERTAKING NO. 35:	133
18	RE REQUEST OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION TO	
19	PRODUCE A COPY OF THE JULY 21ST, 1988 BAND	
20	COUNCIL RESOLUTION, AND SPECIFICALLY ASK	
21	THEM TO CHECK THE DOCUMENTATION THAT WAS	
22	FILED IN RELATION TO THE COURT APPLICATION	
23	SAWRIDGE BAND V. CANADA 2004 SCA 16, TO SEE	
24	IF THEY CAN LOCATE A COPY OF THAT BCR AND	
25	THE ATTACHED LIST.	
26	UNDERTAKING NO. 36:	135
27	RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION THE DATE	
28	EACH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION WAS RECEIVED BY	
29	THEM AND THE DATE A DECISION WAS MADE ON	
30	EACH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION.	
31	UNDERTAKING NO. 37:(UNDER ADVISEMENT)	136
32	RE WITH RESPECT TO UNDERTAKINGS REQUESTING	
33	INFORMATION ON SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION	
34	MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS, IF THE FIRST NATION	
35	REFUSES OR FAILS TO PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION	
36	INQUIRE OF THE TRUSTEES DIRECTLY TO PROVIDE	
37	ANY AND ALL INFORMATION OR DOCUMENTATION	
38	THAT THEY CAN TO ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS	
39	AROUND MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS.	
40	UNDERTAKING NO. 38:(REFUSED)	143
41	RE PROVIDE COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS BEING	
42	RELIED UPON TO SUPPORT THE BELIEFBELIEVE AND	
43	UNDERSTANDING THAT THE 1982 ASSETS WERE	
44	CHANGED TO THE 1985 TRUST ASSETS.	

1	UNDERTAKING NO. 39:(UNDER ADVISEMENT)	145
2	RE PRODUCE COPIES OF THE FINANCIAL	
3	STATEMENTS FOR SAWRIDGE HOLDINGS LTD. AND/OR	
4	THE SAWRIDGE GROUP OF COMPANIES FROM 2011	
5	UNTIL PRESENT DATE	
6	UNDERTAKING NO. 40:	146
7	RE PRODUCE ANY NONPRIVILEGED DOCUMENTATION	
8	RECEIVED RELATING TO THE STATEMENTS IN	
9	PARAGRAPH 28 OF MR. BUJOLD'S SEPTEMBER 12,	
10	2011 AFFIDAVIT.	
11	UNDERTAKING NO. 41:(UNDER ADVISEMENT)	147
12	RE PRODUCE THE ORIGINAL VERSION OF THE	
13	SAWRIDGE MEMBERSHIP RULES AND ANY INTERM	
14	VERSIONS OF THOSE RULES.	
15	UNDERTAKING NO. 42:(UNDER ADVISEMENT)	149
16	RE REQUEST OF SAWRIDGE INDIAN BAND TO	
17	PRODUCE ALL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORMS	
18	PRIOR TO THE ONE ENTERED AS EXHIBIT 6.	
19	UNDERTAKING NO. 43:	155
20	RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION WHETHER	
21	APPLICANTS RECEIVED A MORE DETAILED REASONS	
22	FOR DECISION DOCUMENT THAN THAT RECEIVED IN	
23	EXHIBIT 7 IN RESPECT TO WHAT SPECIFIC	
24	FACTORS OR FACTS IN THEIR APPLICATION WERE	
25	CONSIDERED.	
26	UNDERTAKING NO. 44:	156
27	RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE IF THEY HAVE ANY	
28	POLICY OR GUIDE THAT WOULD ASSIST IN	
29	DETAILING WHAT FACTORS WOULD BE CONSIDERED	
30	IN ASSESSING WHETHER AN INDIVIDUAL'S	
31	ADMISSION INTO THE SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION	
32	WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTEREST AND WELFARE OF	
33	THE NATION, AND WHETHER AN INDIVIDUAL	
34	APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP HAS A SUFFICIENT	
35	COMMITMENT TO AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE HISTORY,	
36	CUSTOMS, TRADITIONS, AND CULTURE AND	
37	COMMUNAL LIFE OF THE FIRST NATION, AND	
38	WHETHER AN INDIVIDUAL HAS A CHARACTER AND	
39	LIFESTYLE THAT WOULD MAKE THEIR ADMISSION IN	
40	THE BAND DETRIMENTAL TO THE FUTURE WELFARE	
41	OR ADVANCEMENT OF THE BAND	
42	UNDERTAKING NO. 45:	157
43	RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION TO	
44	PRODUCE COPIES OF ANY LETTERS, EMAILS, OR	
45	OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO COMPLAINTS OF	
46	CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN RELATION TO ANY	
47	ELEMENT OF THE MEMBERSHIP PROCESS, WHETHER	
48	IT IS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, MEMBERSHIP	

1 APPEAL COMMITTEE HEARING, MEMBERSHIP ISSUES
2 BEFORE COUNCIL, OR INTERVIEWS THAT ARE HELD
3 OCCASIONALLY FOR MEMBERS' ADMISSION AS
4 PROVIDED FOR UNDER SECTION 5 OF GOVERNANCE
5 ACT.

6 UNDERTAKING NO. 46: 158
7 RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION TO
8 PRODUCE COPIES OF ANY LETTERS, EMAILS, OR
9 OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO COMPLAINTS OF
10 CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN RELATION TO ANY
11 ELEMENT OF THE MEMBERSHIP PROCESS, WHETHER
12 IT IS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, MEMBERSHIP
13 APPEAL COMMITTEE HEARING, MEMBERSHIP ISSUES
14 BEFORE COUNCIL, OR INTERVIEWS THAT ARE HELD
15 OCCASIONALLY FOR MEMBERS' ADMISSION AS
16 PROVIDED FOR UNDER ARTICLE 17, SUBSECTION
17 (8) OF THE CONSTITUTION ACT.

18 UNDERTAKING NO. 47: 163
19 RE PRODUCE STANDARD NOTIFICATION OR FIRST
20 CONTACT PACKAGE SENT OUT FOR A NEW
21 BENEFICIARY.

22 UNDERTAKING NO. 48: (UNDER ADVISEMENT) 166
23 RE INQUIRE OF SAWRIDGE FIRST NATION AND
24 REQUEST ANY DOCUMENTS THEY HAVE IN RELATION
25 TO TRACY POITRAS COLLINS' MEMBERSHIP
26 APPLICATION, AND THE VARIOUS DECISIONS MADE
27 ALONG THE WAY RIGHT UP TO THE FINAL DECISION
28 THAT APPROVED HER MEMBERSHIP INCLUDING
29 LETTERS THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN SENT OUT TO HER
30 INITIALLY, RESULTS OF ANY APPEALS AND
31 RESULTS OF ANY COMMUNITY INTERVIEW.

32 UNDERTAKING NO. 49: 180
33 RE INQUIRE OF CATHERINE TWINN HER
34 RECOLLECTION OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED AT THE
35 APRIL 15TH, 1985 MEETING THAT THE SAWRIDGE
36 BAND RESOLUTION PRESENTED AT EXHIBIT I OF
37 MR. BUJOLD'S SEPTEMBER 12, 2011 AFFIDAVIT
38 DEALT WITH. SPECIFICALLY DOES SHE RECALL IF
39 THERE WAS ANY DISCUSSION OR DOCUMENTATION
40 PRESENTED IN RELATION TO THE TRANSFER OF
41 ASSETS FROM THE 1982 TRUST TO THE 1985
42 TRUST. ALSO INQUIRE IF MS. TWINN HAS ANY
43 DOCUMENTATION OF THAT PARTICULAR MEETING.

44 UNDERTAKING NO. 50: 185
45 RE REVIEW ANY TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES
46 AVAILABLE RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF ASSETS
47 FROM INDIVIDUALS INTO THE '82 TRUST, OR '82
48 TRUST INTO '85 TRUST, OR THE ONE INDIVIDUAL
49 TRANSFER TO THE '85 TRUST.