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- 2 --- Upon resuming on Wednesday, May 11, 2022
- 3 at 9:30 a.m.
- 4 MR. LEWIS: Good morning,
- 5 Commissioner, Counsel.
- 6 JUSTICE WILTON-SIEGEL: Good
- 7 morning, everyone.
- 8 MR. LEWIS: Today we have
- 9 Mr. David Hainer to testify, and I would ask the
- 10 court reporter if you could please affirm him.
- 11 DAVID HAINER; affirmed
- 12 EXAMINATION BY MR. LEWIS:
- Q. Good morning, Mr. Hainer.
- 14 Thank you for coming.
- A. Good morning.
- Q. I understand that you
- 17 have worked at Dufferin since 1997; is that right?
- 18 A. That's correct, yes.
- Q. And you're still there
- 20 now?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And what's your current
- 23 position and title?
- 24 A. I'm the operations
- 25 manager for the northeast district.

1 Where is that? Ο. 2 Α. Pretty much Barrie up to 3 Huntsville, across to Lindsay, over to Bancroft 4 area. So a large geographic area. 5 Ο. And prior to working at 6 Dufferin prior to 1997, I understand that you 7 worked at the MTO for a period of time; is that 8 right? 9 Α. I did, yes. 10 Q. How long were you there 11 for? 12 I worked there about two Α. 13 years full-time, and I also did my co-ops for my 14 schooling through the Ministry of Transportation. 15 I see. And where was O. 16 your schooling done? 17 Α. Mohawk College in 18 Hamilton. 19 Q. In what program? 20 Α. Civil engineering 21 technology. 22 Did you complete that Q. 23 program? 24 Α. I did, yes. 25 And then you went Q.

- 1 straight to the MTO from there; is that right?
- A. Pretty much, yes, yeah.
- Q. And then so you joined
- 4 Dufferin in 1997. Could you just briefly describe
- 5 for us the roles that you held from then to
- 6 approximately 2006 -- 2005/2006 would be the time
- 7 period that we're focusing on.
- 8 A. So I started as a grade
- 9 man with Dufferin Construction working in I'll
- 10 call it the Hamilton area --
- 11 Q. What's a grade man?
- 12 A. A grade person I should
- 13 say. My apologies. But a grade person basically
- 14 works with the excavators, the dozers and the
- 15 graders and verifies the grade and the
- 16 horizontal/vertical alignment of the elevation
- 17 we're -- or geometry we're shooting to.
- 18 Q. So go on. I interrupted
- 19 you.
- 20 A. Yes. And then from there
- 21 I took a role as a construction coordinator and
- 22 then onward to an assistant superintendent,
- 23 superintendent, senior superintendent, did a
- 24 couple years as an estimator, coordinator;
- 25 went back to be a project manager, superintendent

- 1 on a project and then I went out and built -- I
- 2 was part of the 407 phase 2 project where I was
- 3 the deputy construction manager. And I went
- 4 beyond your timeline there, so I apologize.
- 5 Q. That's okay. When was
- 6 that?
- 7 A. That was 2015 I went out
- 8 to the 407 east area.
- 9 Q. I understand that you
- 10 were the senior project superintendent, is it,
- 11 from 2002 to 2011? Does that sound about right?
- 12 A. That sounds about right,
- 13 yes.
- Q. When did your involvement
- 15 with the Red Hill Valley Parkway project begin?
- 16 A. I can't say the exact
- 17 year. I know it was -- it started in the
- 18 grading -- some of the earlier grading staging
- 19 projects that was in around the King Street area.
- 20 Timeline probably 2004-ish, I think.
- Q. The grading tenders were
- issued and awarded in 2004 and one in 2005. Does
- 23 that sound about right?
- 24 A. That does, yeah. I took
- over for another superintendent that started, yes.

- 1 Q. So you didn't begin as
- 2 superintendent with that project; you took over
- 3 for someone else?
- A. I took over, yes, it had
- 5 started.
- Q. So that was your first
- 7 involvement though in the project with the
- 8 grading?
- 9 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 10 Q. Did you have -- take from
- 11 your timeframe, did you have any involvement with
- 12 the prior part of the overall Red Hill Valley
- 13 Parkway project being the Lincoln Alexander
- 14 Parkway or --
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And from the time you got
- involved on the Red Hill project did you also have
- 18 other projects on the go or were you entirely
- 19 dedicated to the Red Hill?
- 20 A. I was dedicated to the
- 21 Red Hill for the most part. I might have had some
- 22 lingering things when I started and then nearing
- 23 the completion I started to get some other
- 24 assignments as well.
- Q. Could you describe your

- 1 general duties and responsibilities as the project
- 2 superintendent on the Red Hill?
- A. Yeah. So I was
- 4 certainly -- I was charged with the safety of the
- 5 workers and the public, overall execution of the
- 6 project, logistics, you know, the finance areas of
- 7 the project and just day-to-day resourcing,
- 8 scheduling equipment and people to the project.
- 9 Q. For example, did you deal
- 10 with the subcontractors?
- 11 A. Absolutely, yeah,
- 12 certainly, all of the subcontractors and any
- 13 tradespeople that were required as well, yes.
- Q. And what about the
- 15 supplies, quantities, things like that?
- 16 A. Yeah, and all the
- 17 materials that were -- I simplified that as
- 18 resources, but yeah, all the materials coming to
- 19 the job, anything active on that construction site
- 20 to execute the contract for the City of Hamilton
- 21 was my responsibility.
- Q. And were you -- would you
- 23 generally be on site daily?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And did your -- I mean,

- 1 appreciating of course that the grading and paving
- 2 are different parts of the project, were your
- 3 fundamental duties similar during both those
- 4 phases?
- A. Yes, they are.
- Q. And who did you report
- 7 to?
- A. It would have been Jake
- 9 Sudac.
- 10 Q. He was the district
- 11 manager; is that right?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And what was -- what
- 14 about Peter Gamble, what was your reporting
- 15 relationship with him?
- 16 A. A bit of a dotted line.
- 17 He was manager I think at that time of plants and
- 18 equipment, and as far as we would have regular
- 19 meetings where we schedule crews and equipment and
- 20 certainly what our needs were at the project,
- 21 i.e., asphalt, that type of thing, would all be
- 22 involved with Peter Gamble.
- Q. Because he was involved
- 24 in the purchasing and decisions relating to the
- 25 materials to use?

- 1 A. Yeah, related to asphalt,
- 2 yes.
- Q. And what was your
- 4 relationship in the hierarchy with Paul Janicas
- 5 who was the -- I mean, at the time of the paving
- 6 anyway he had become -- he was the senior quality
- 7 control manager for bituminous. So in the
- 8 paving -- leading up to paving and so forth, what
- 9 was your relationship with him? Was he peer or?
- 10 A. Yeah. So Paul basically,
- 11 he was part of the asphalt group. So when the
- 12 asphalt crew came on-site he would take the role
- 13 to work with them and the plant and the lab to
- 14 ensure mix properties, placement methods were
- 15 achieved according to the contract. And we kind
- of -- we worked together throughout and certainly
- 17 he would be our on-site technical person for -- to
- 18 represent Dufferin.
- 19 Q. And then just in terms of
- 20 the hierarchy, was he a peer of yours?
- 21 A. Yeah, yeah, I would say
- 22 yes.
- Q. You didn't report to him;
- 24 he didn't report to you?
- A. No. That's right.

- 1 Q. And who directly reported
- 2 to you during the -- just talking about the
- 3 paving?
- 4 A. Yeah, so the construction
- 5 coordinators would have reported to me, the
- 6 foreman would have reported to me. We have
- 7 project administrators. I would be a -- you know,
- 8 the estimator coordinator in this case they worked
- 9 with me, more of a peer I would say as well.
- 10 Q. Who was the estimator
- 11 coordinator that you're speaking of?
- 12 A. For the paving project it
- 13 was Rick Triemstra.
- Q. Right. And James
- 15 Wharrie, he was what?
- A. Construction coordinator.
- 17 O. And Brandon Dodds?
- A. Construction coordinator.
- Q. And sorry, I think you
- 20 mentioned the foreman, who was that?
- 21 A. There were several
- 22 foremen on the job. So depending on the
- 23 discipline, whether it be structures or grading or
- 24 sewers, that type of thing, so all the foremen,
- 25 the men and ladies out doing the work reported to

- 1 me.
- Q. Right. And the foremen
- 3 for each crew, each paving crew, or?
- A. Yeah, yeah, paving crews
- 5 as well, yes.
- Q. And so did the paving
- 7 crews, did they -- they reported to a foreman who
- 8 in turn reported to you?
- 9 A. Well, the paving foreman,
- 10 he was responsible for his own crew, so he was
- 11 on-site with that crew daily. And it was kind
- 12 of -- we kind of operate -- not to silo (ph) or
- 13 (indiscernible), they kind of report to me as well
- 14 as they kind of report to Peter and the -- you
- 15 know, worked with the lab and what have you.
- Q. And just in general to
- 17 the sort of paving side of things, you are on-site
- 18 day-to-day but at the same time you're working
- 19 with people that you've described. What sorts of
- 20 issues would you typically escalate up to your
- 21 superiors?
- 22 A. Certainly, yeah, if there
- 23 was issues on the site that I maybe wasn't able to
- 24 resolve timely that I felt were going to impact
- 25 the outcome or results of the project in any way,

- 1 they would get elevated. I would say we had a
- 2 very open, collaborative relationship with my
- 3 superiors and we talked about issues regularly,
- 4 and we had -- we did have tours of the project
- 5 from time to time where we would go through any
- 6 things that could be of concern.
- 7 Q. In terms of the other
- 8 entities and people outside of Dufferin on the
- 9 project, of course, just to name a few, we've got
- 10 the City of Hamilton, we've got Philips, the
- 11 contract administrator, Golder Associates, who are
- 12 doing quality assurance work at the time. So in
- 13 terms of your contact with the City of Hamilton,
- 14 and I appreciate the contract administrator was
- 15 there too, but were you Dufferin's primary point
- 16 of contact with the City's representative on site?
- 17 A. Yes, yeah, so Walt -- you
- 18 know, Philips being the CA, our communication was
- 19 direct back and forth. You know, Mark Oddi was
- 20 very active on the project and we had a good
- 21 collaborative approach, whether or not I might
- 22 bump into him out on the project we would maybe
- 23 discuss an issue or say good morning, and whatever
- 24 might be discussed would trickle back to the CA of
- 25 course to keep him in the loop with whatever that

- 1 conversation may have been, if it was of
- 2 importance.
- Q. I think you said Walter,
- 4 that's Walter Maranzan at Philips?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. How often did you think
- 7 you interacted with Mr. Oddi, whether it be by in
- 8 person or by phone?
- 9 A. Typically it would be in
- 10 person and it would vary week to week, day to day
- 11 type thing. Sometimes I might see him a couple
- 12 times in the day passing through on the job. He
- 13 might be observing things and it could be a wave
- or it could be stop for a 10, 15-minute chat type
- 15 of thing. I would say it was reasonably regular.
- 16 Couple times a week I might see him. And we
- 17 shared the same compound with Philips. Our
- 18 trailer lives there next to Philips, so if he was
- 19 going in there quite often we would see each other
- 20 in the parking lot as well.
- Q. Sort of temporary
- 22 neighbours?
- A. Yes, that's right. I've
- 24 had a lot of them over the years.
- Q. In terms of the City,

- 1 what about Gary Moore? Is he someone that you had
- 2 any interactions with or some?
- A. I would say very minimal.
- 4 More of a -- I didn't see Gary very often on the
- 5 project or had much interaction.
- Q. Okay. So fair to say
- 7 from that that at least from your perspective he
- 8 was on site infrequently; is that right?
- 9 A. I didn't see him very
- 10 often but I can't say for -- it was a big, large
- 11 project.
- 12 Q. Right. I understand.
- 13 And so you have regular, often daily
- 14 communications with Mr. Maranzan; is that right?
- 15 A. Yeah, that would be
- 16 accurate.
- 17 O. And similar with
- 18 Mr. Oddi? Or --
- 19 A. More Walter. Again, we
- 20 respect boundaries and that would be -- my go-to
- 21 person would be Philips.
- 22 O. What about Golder? What
- 23 level of interaction, communication did you have
- 24 with Golder staff?
- 25 A. Next to zero. I didn't

- 1 have much interaction with Golder staff at all, or
- 2 Ludomir for that matter, with the exception of
- 3 some of the site meetings I would see Golders.
- Q. And you -- from reviewing
- 5 the paving construction site meeting minutes it
- 6 appears that you attended every meeting from
- 7 July 2006 to the end of 2007. Does that sound
- 8 right?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And often Golder was
- 11 there but -- at those meetings, but outside of
- 12 those meetings I understand you're saying that
- 13 your contact with Golder was pretty minimal?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 0. Okay. And was that
- 16 Mr. Janicas, was that -- he was more than the
- 17 Dufferin contact with Golder; is that right?
- 18 A. Yes, yeah, that would be
- 19 right.
- 20 Q. What did you understand
- 21 Golder's role to be on the project?
- 22 A. More of a quality
- 23 assurance role for -- related to the asphalt
- 24 portion of the project.
- Q. And was this -- was the

- 1 Red Hill, was this your first project for the City
- 2 of Hamilton?
- A. Yes.
- Q. I take it you've been
- 5 involved with, by that point, a number of MTO
- 6 projects; is that fair?
- 7 A. That's right, yes.
- Q. Can you just describe
- 9 generally how this project differed from -- in
- 10 your experience from an MTO project?
- 11 A. I would say the methods
- 12 of communication would be one thing that were a
- 13 little more defined. We had instruction
- 14 notices and --
- 0. Sorry, more defined in
- 16 which --
- 17 A. In the MTO work that I
- 18 would say at that time it was probably a little
- 19 more developed. Certainly there wasn't as much --
- 20 the owners, the client, City of Hamilton in this
- 21 time, maybe the MTO wasn't as active on some of
- 22 their projects. It was the CA was pretty much 100
- 23 percent the person communicating with.
- 24 As far as the payments and
- 25 things like that, some of those processes were

- 1 different as well. At that time the ministry had
- 2 a little -- some of the quality requirements were
- 3 different and how we managed the quality program.
- 4 Not to say there was anything wrong with what we
- 5 were doing, it was just different and a little
- 6 more regimented with the processes.
- 7 Q. More regimented with the
- 8 MTO?
- 9 A. With the MTO again, yes,
- 10 sorry.
- 11 Q. So it is more regimented.
- 12 What was your then experience with this project,
- 13 with the Red Hill project? Am I correct in
- 14 inferring what you are saying that the lines of
- 15 communication weren't perhaps quite so clear, is
- 16 that what you're saying?
- 17 A. Well, they were clear,
- 18 it's just that the methods and the processes that
- 19 we underwent, right, and again it was -- my first
- 20 City of Hamilton project so it was new to me and I
- 21 guess I was -- you get used to dealing with a
- 22 client and a customer, and the City of Hamilton
- 23 was very active in the project as we know the
- 24 importance and sensitivity of the Red Hill Valley
- 25 project, so they certainly had a vested interest

- 1 and were very much part of what was happening on a
- 2 regular basis.
- Q. Did that difference, did
- 4 that present any problems or challenges for you or
- 5 is it just that it was different?
- A. No, just different, just
- 7 different structure that I wasn't accustomed to.
- Q. And I had asked you about
- 9 the site meetings which occurred throughout the
- 10 project. What typically was your role at those
- 11 meetings?
- 12 A. Certainly I was
- 13 representing Dufferin, and if any issues from
- 14 either side were presented and discussed and
- 15 depending on -- depending on the nature of the
- 16 issues could involve subcontractors, material
- 17 suppliers or other technical representatives that
- 18 I couldn't speak to, I was kind of the middleman
- 19 for those sorts of conversations.
- 20 O. And others attended at
- 21 the meetings as well from time to time. Were
- 22 there regular people that were always to attend at
- 23 those meetings or just when particular issues that
- 24 pertained to them were being discussed?
- 25 A. I would say me and my

- 1 direct team, meaning the construction
- 2 coordinators, were the regular attendees at those
- 3 meetings, and then depending on the topics at hand
- 4 we would bring in other representatives as needed.
- 5 The estimator coordinator would attend certainly
- 6 when he was available as well from our side.
- 7 Q. So again the coordinators
- 8 being Mr. Wharrie and Mr. Dodds, right?
- 9 A. That's right, yes.
- 10 Q. Mr. Triemstra being the
- 11 estimator?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- Q. And Mr. Janicas from time
- 14 to time?
- 15 A. Yeah. Again, when we had
- 16 those technical discussions on the asphalt side I
- don't have those expertise to speak to that so it
- 18 was just easier that Paul attend that -- attend at
- 19 those times.
- 20 O. So those are issues
- 21 pertaining to mixed design, issues about
- 22 aggregates, those sorts of things?
- 23 A. Yeah, any questions that
- 24 might arise from a testing, you know, procedures,
- 25 frequency, those types of things, they could all

- 1 get flushed out there sitting together in a
- 2 collaborative effort.
- Q. And as a matter of
- 4 general practice, if you recall, if matters were
- 5 discussed at a site meeting and agreement was made
- 6 and so forth and that's recorded in the minutes,
- 7 was it typical to follow up with the confirmation
- 8 of those things or just to rely on the minutes?
- 9 Do you recall?
- 10 A. It could be a bit of both
- 11 depending on the clarity of the minutes.
- 12 Sometimes minutes don't accurately reflect the
- 13 discussion or the agreement, so depending on the
- 14 nature of it it could be reconfirmed in another
- 15 piece of correspondence.
- Q. And do you recall were
- 17 minutes -- I know they were circulated -- were
- 18 they typically corrected during the process, if
- 19 there was -- if someone identified an issue, do
- 20 you recall that?
- 21 A. I would say from time to
- 22 time they may be corrected. Not too often but
- 23 from time to time something could be clarified.
- Q. All right. Now, the Red
- 25 Hill project as you know was perpetual pavement

- 1 structure that had a rich bottom mix layer. Do
- 2 you recall that?
- A. Yes.
- 4 O. Prior to the Red Hill is
- 5 that something that you had worked with, a rich
- 6 bottom mix and a perpetual pavement?
- 7 A. No.
- Q. That was your first time?
- 9 A. Yes.
- Q. What about Dufferin, do
- 11 you recall if Dufferin had done that before?
- 12 A. I don't believe they had
- 13 done a perpetual pavement -- or rich bottom mix
- 14 before no.
- 15 Q. The surface course for
- 16 the main line was stone mastic asphalt, SMA. Had
- 17 you ever been involved in SMA placement before?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. And do you know was this
- 20 Dufferin's first SMA placement? Do you know that?
- 21 A. I believe so. At the
- 22 timeline it was starting to become more popular so
- 23 things kind of meshed together, and I know during
- there was maybe some other active projects going
- 25 on but I don't recall we had much experience with

- 1 the SMA at that time.
- Q. Just to be clear, to your
- 3 knowledge it was Dufferin's first project as far
- 4 as you know?
- 5 A. Yes, yes.
- Q. The aggregates used for
- 7 the SMA and Superpave 12.5 FC2 surface courses,
- 8 those were sourced from the Demix Aggregates
- 9 Varennes quarry in Quebec. Was that source of
- 10 aggregates, was that something that you have
- 11 worked with before?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Do you recall if there
- 14 was any advance training or education provided to
- 15 you or other staff with respect to rich bottom mix
- or SMA with those products prior to the paving
- 17 taking place?
- 18 A. Not to me. I can't speak
- 19 to the -- maybe some information or training or
- 20 discussions with the crews or the plants producing
- 21 the mix, that's something I don't get too involved
- 22 with. Maybe an observer from time to time on
- 23 things like that, but not part of the training per
- 24 se.
- Q. I'm just talking about

- 1 the -- for the placement, not the mix and so forth
- 2 itself. Your end of things.
- A. Yeah, again the
- 4 placement, no, I wouldn't get trained on that.
- 5 Our crews, through the plants and equipment they
- 6 get their training with the equipment and how to
- 7 best place and the mixes they are using.
- Q. Are you aware of any
- 9 specific training that they received with respect
- 10 to the placement --
- 11 A. I'm not aware of it, no,
- 12 at that time.
- 13 Q. All right. From what you
- 14 have said and what others have said, am I correct
- 15 that you didn't have any role in selection of the
- 16 components of the mixes, and specifically the
- 17 aggregates? That wasn't your end of things,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. Am I correct that you
- 21 were not part of the, from what you've said, the
- 22 mix design approval process, that wasn't your end
- 23 of things?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. We know that Trow did the

- 1 actual mix designs and we've heard that -- I think
- 2 you mentioned that Mr. Janicas was involved in the
- 3 mix design approval process for Dufferin. Does
- 4 that accord with your recollection?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 O. There's a lot of
- 7 correspondence between Dufferin and Golder. And
- 8 it begins more with Philips, but then at Dufferin
- 9 and Golder about -- and it's from late March
- 10 through July 2007 -- about -- back and forth about
- 11 pertaining to the selection and approval of the
- 12 aggregate, mix designs, test results, and so
- 13 forth.
- 14 And on some of this, not all
- 15 of it, but on some of this you're copied, and
- 16 you've described your -- that you weren't a
- 17 decision maker on the issues that we've discussed,
- on those issues, so why are you being included in
- 19 those sorts of communications?
- A. Again, it's just that
- 21 they keep informed of the discussions. It
- 22 certainly involves a project that I have a lot of
- 23 responsibility for -- the responsibility for, so
- 24 the potential for impact and just knowledge and
- 25 having some sort of I'll say constructive

- 1 conversation about something, I'm kept in the loop
- 2 with what's being -- information being transferred
- 3 back and forth.
- Q. I mean, you're the one,
- 5 as I understand it, who is doing the staging and
- 6 organizing of the work site, right?
- 7 A. That's right.
- 8 Q. And so if I understand it
- 9 correctly, you need to know the status of things
- 10 so that you can look forward and plan forward for
- 11 the actual asphalt placements; is that fair?
- 12 A. I would agree with that,
- 13 yes.
- 14 Q. If we could go to
- 15 overview document 3, image 43. Your counsel has
- 16 probably discussed this with you, but we've got an
- 17 overview document that sets out a chronology of
- 18 events and documents and so forth, and most of the
- 19 documents are -- that I'll take you to are --
- 20 though not all of them are summarized in this
- 21 document. And if I take you to a document I'll
- 22 let you know if it's -- if the entire
- 23 communication is put there, but -- but if you
- 24 actually want to go see the underlying document
- 25 just let me know.

1	So the first one here is at
2	paragraph 85, and there's a letter from you to
3	Marco Oddi of the City, and if you could expand
4	that for us, please. And as well, if you have
5	trouble reading something and I haven't asked the
6	registrar to expand it, let me know and we will do
7	that.
8	A. Thank you.
9	Q. May 17th and this is
10	you are writing to Mr. Oddi about a warranty
11	asphalt on part A of the City of Hamilton paving
12	contract. And you write:
13	"Marco, as stated previously,
14	Dufferin Construction company,
15	DCC, cannot warranty any of
16	the asphalt placed which was
17	constructed on material placed
18	by others. This is due to
19	unknown quality of granular
20	placed prior to DCC commencing
21	work on this contract. The
22	location which will not be the
23	responsibility of DCC can
24	generally be defined as the
25	area just south of Greenhill

1	structure to the south limits
2	of the contract. Should you
3	require any additional
4	information regarding this
5	issue please do not hesitate
6	to contact the undersigned."
7	(As read)
8	Do you recall this letter and
9	this issue?
10	A. Yes, I do.
11	Q. Could you describe what
12	gave rise to this?
13	A. Yeah. And it's quite
14	common, you know, if we're doing work on top of
15	other people's work we would be concerned about
16	the quality. We don't have access to the records
17	of compaction and the actual quality of the
18	materials being used.
19	So there was a couple of
20	settlements that were identified throughout this
21	portion indicated in the letter and really it was
22	just defining if a bump showed up at those
23	structures or where those sewer crossings were,
24	Dufferin was not going to be responsible for it.
25	Q. And by the settlements

- 1 you mean what?
- 2 A. So basically if the road
- 3 becomes depressed, right, so basically the
- 4 material potentially -- I don't know, if it's not
- 5 packed properly it may settle and you'll get a
- 6 bump in the road. And then we obviously have our
- 7 warranty that we give on our work, and should that
- 8 happen sometimes repairs are required and just
- 9 mitigating costs if that had've shown up.
- 10 Q. You're talking about
- 11 settlement in the previously done work, in the
- 12 grading contract?
- 13 A. Yeah, underneath the
- 14 granulars and asphalt, yes.
- 15 O. And that's -- Aecon did
- 16 the south portion which you described there as
- 17 part A of the contract; is that right? They did
- 18 the grading contract for that?
- 19 A. It was another
- 20 contractor, yes. I can't say that word.
- Q. Competition. But the
- 22 rest of the -- north from there were Dufferin
- 23 grading contracts and that's what you had worked
- 24 on, right?
- 25 A. That's right.

- Q. Given the description of
- 2 the lines of communication that you described, do
- 3 you recall why you sent this letter to Mr. Oddi
- 4 specifically rather than Philips?
- 5 A. I know -- I know it was a
- 6 conversation that likely precipitated from being
- 7 on site like at that area, and I believe -- and it
- 8 what was kind of -- there was -- I would say that
- 9 because it was outside of the work area of the
- 10 paving contract I sent it to Marco, as he might
- 11 have requested it.
- 12 O. You indicate as stated
- 13 previously, so you think you probably had a
- 14 conversation with him?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. And you said that it's
- 17 quite common to this, so this is something that
- 18 you've done on other projects where Dufferin
- 19 hasn't done the work?
- 20 A. Yes. It doesn't happen
- 21 very often. Most of the projects we start, we
- 22 finish ourselves, but there may be other
- 23 circumstances that are beyond our control where a
- 24 similar letter would go out that we can't warranty
- 25 it. If it was maybe that we didn't feel was

- 1 addressed adequately we might give a similar
- 2 letter.
- Q. Do you recall if there
- 4 was any followup or further discussion of this
- 5 topic between you and Mr. Oddi about this?
- 6 A. I don't recall. I know
- 7 repairs were done and I can't -- I don't recall
- 8 the details of that.
- 9 Q. Sorry, repairs done on
- 10 what?
- 11 A. The subbase. Obviously
- 12 the settlement had to be fixed prior to paving so
- 13 there was some work done there.
- 14 Q. If we could go to
- 15 image -- take that down please. Thank you. Go to
- 16 image 48. 48 and 49, please. It's paragraph 97
- 17 that straddles the two pages there.
- 18 This is on June 22nd, 2007,
- 19 Mr. Janicas e-mailed Dr. Uzarowski the SMA mix
- 20 design for the main line surface course and sets
- 21 out the -- Mr. Janicas' e-mail. And this is one
- 22 that a number of people were copied on, including
- 23 you. And so again is this an example of what you
- 24 described you're being copied on it for
- 25 information so that you know the status at his end

- 1 of things? Is that consistent with --
- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. And so this is about
- 4 40 days before the paving actually started on the
- 5 SMA on August 1st. In your experience is this in
- 6 the normal range for a mix design to be submitted?
- 7 A. Yeah, normal or on the
- 8 high end at times, yes.
- 9 O. Sometimes it's later than
- 10 this?
- 11 A. Sometimes it would be a
- 12 shorter period, yes.
- Q. And in your experience is
- 14 it usual or unusual to have again back and forth
- 15 with the -- between Dufferin or its
- 16 representatives and the quality assurance (skipped
- 17 audio) about mix designs?
- 18 A. There's sometimes is
- 19 questions. Generally not as much as what was on
- 20 this project.
- 21 O. So not uncommon for there
- 22 to be questions asked but uncommon for this level,
- 23 fair?
- A. Yes, yeah.
- Q. At this point when you

- 1 are -- you know, mix design has been submitted,
- 2 you have plans about when the paving is going to
- 3 start, for instance. Is that something at this
- 4 point you are watching to -- the progress of so
- 5 that you can do your staging and prepare for the
- 6 paving process?
- 7 A. Yeah, very much so, yes.
- Q. I'm going to show you a
- 9 couple of e-mails to give some context and then
- 10 ask you some questions about it. The first thing
- 11 is on the next page -- so if you put 49 and pull
- 12 up 50 as well, Registrar.
- Just so we have the timing
- 14 here, paragraph 100 refers to the July 10th site
- 15 meeting and the minutes from that meeting. And
- 16 you'll see under "Asphalt issues" there's
- 17 outstanding mix design approvals and discussion
- 18 about that.
- 19 So from what you've described,
- 20 am I correct that you would have been aware of
- 21 these discussions but this wouldn't be the kind of
- 22 thing that you are leading, is that right, at the
- 23 meeting?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- Q. But then there's the

- 1 reference to SMA test strip from what I
- 2 just (skipped audio). is that your end of
- 3 things?
- 4 A. To a certain degree
- 5 setting up the logistics and the area to make sure
- 6 it was prepared, yeah, that would be my
- 7 involvement.
- Q. Okay. And at this point
- 9 in time what's your thought process about the
- 10 timing that's involved with the mix designs? It
- 11 does indicate that after a quick glance they
- 12 appear to be satisfactory and will provide written
- 13 confirmation and there is a test strip coming up.
- 14 What are you thinking about the process at this
- 15 time, if you recall?
- A. Yeah, I'm feeling fair --
- 17 I'm feeling confident that we're on the right
- 18 track and we're ready to go.
- 19 O. There's a reference in
- 20 those minutes to -- in the top of second page,
- 21 about the trial batch of SMA for field labs to
- 22 work out testing correlation differences and that
- 23 Golder indicated the vibratory roller currently
- 24 being used by Dufferin is likely too heavy for
- 25 SP19 and SMA pavement layers.

- 1 Do you recall this issue being
- 2 raised?
- A. Not really, no.
- Q. Nonetheless, can you
- 5 describe what the vibratory roller is. We
- 6 understand that Dufferin's rollers all have static
- 7 mode and vibration mode; is that right?
- A. That's correct, yes.
- 9 O. And then what's the issue
- 10 about a roller being too heavy for SP19 and SMA?
- 11 A. Again, I would probably
- 12 have to defer to Golders to answer that. I guess
- 13 you could do -- you could do damage if you
- 14 overcompact things, so certainly maybe that was a
- 15 concern of Golder's.
- Q. But as you said, you
- don't specifically recall it being raised at the
- 18 time?
- 19 A. I don't recall that
- 20 concern, no.
- Q. If we could go to
- 22 image -- actually no, we're there. Image 50 and
- 23 51. I'm going to show you a couple of e-mails to
- 24 give you some context and then I'll ask you some
- 25 questions.

- 1 So the first one here is
- 2 July 17th, so a week after the site meeting that
- 3 we just discussed. This is paragraph 101.
- 4 Mr. Janicas e-mailed
- 5 Dr. Uzarowski and Mr. Oddi about ignition oven
- 6 test results, and if you just take a moment to
- 7 read that e-mail. You were not copied on this. I
- 8 just want to give you context of what's going
- 9 forward.
- 10 A. (Witness reviews
- 11 document).
- 12 O. Just let me know when
- 13 you're done.
- 14 A. I'm done.
- 15 O. Great. You can take that
- 16 down, Registrar. And then at paragraph 102 at the
- 17 top of the next page there, Mr. Janicas wrote
- 18 again to Dr. Uzarowski, providing physical test
- 19 results and discussing the results of the testing.
- 20 This one you were copied on I can tell you.
- 21 So if you could just pull that
- 22 up please, Registrar. Let me know when you've
- 23 reviewed that.
- 24 A. (Witness reviews
- 25 document). Yes.

Τ	Q. Specifically the last
2	couple of paragraphs talking about the testing,
3	first of all. From what you describe, and tell me
4	if I'm wrong, you're not you are interested, I
5	take it, in the results and about being able to
6	move forward or not being able to move forward as
7	opposed to the specific test results; is that
8	fair?
9	A. I would say it's fair
10	that I want to confirm that they meet the contract
11	requirements and we are moving forward to schedule
12	and complete our obligations on the contract, yes.
13	Q. I wasn't meaning to
14	suggest that you that you want to meet the
15	contractual requirements, but it's Mr. Janicas
16	that's dealing with the specifics of the test
17	results; is that fair?
18	A. That's fair, yeah.
19	Q. So the last two
20	paragraphs he asks are the SMA and 12.5 FC2 mixes
21	approved for production. That's the first thing.
22	And then he says:
23	"If, after reviewing these
24	results there is still a
25	question of the suitability of

Т	the aggregates please advise
2	Dufferin immediately and a
3	meeting with all the
4	stakeholders involved will be
5	convened at the earliest
6	possible opportunity." (As
7	read)
8	So do you know or do you
9	recall who was questioning the suitability at that
10	point of the aggregates?
11	A. I don't recall, but I
12	remember the ignition oven because it was the
13	first time I heard of it. So I can only say that
14	it was Golders who was looking at that due to the
15	correspondence we just read in the previous
16	exhibit there.
17	Q. Is that because you were
18	familiar with at least in some respect with the
19	other method of extracting the aggregates using
20	solvent? Is that something that you were familiar
21	with but not
22	A. I'll be honest, I learned
23	probably through this process about that, that's a
24	process we used as well so it was a bit of an
25	education for me.

- O. Okay. And so now we're
- 2 at July 18th. How are you perceiving this? What
- 3 are your thoughts at this point about the paving
- 4 schedule given that these guestions are being
- 5 raised about the mix designs and the aggregates?
- A. Yeah. I got to think
- 7 that we're getting concerned. As we said, we met
- 8 the contract requirements that are specified and
- 9 we're not getting confirmation that there's
- 10 alignment with our submissions.
- 11 Q. At this point are you
- 12 concerned about whether you're going to be able to
- 13 start on the SMA paving when you were intending
- 14 to? Is that something at this point that you are
- 15 concerned about?
- 16 A. Certainly it's got to be
- 17 on my mind I'm sure, yes.
- Q. If there was -- if the
- 19 mix designs were not approved at this point do you
- 20 have any insight into what sort of delays that
- 21 would occasion if you had to go back and redo
- 22 them?
- 23 A. Can you repeat the
- 24 question?
- 25 Q. If the mix designs aren't

- 1 approved at this stage, given how close you are to
- 2 the intended start of paving, do you have any
- 3 insight as to what sort of delay that would
- 4 occasion?
- 5 A. Not completely, and I
- 6 wouldn't know that exact delay to reproduce a mix
- 7 design. Again, from reading this we've met the --
- 8 sounds like all of our results were within
- 9 acceptance of the contract so we would probably
- 10 dig into -- again, likely have what the concerns
- 11 were. And you can see we were trying to get
- 12 everybody involved to make sure we could try and
- 13 resolve it and not compromise the project. But,
- 14 you know, certainly we were all working together
- 15 to meet and get completed.
- Q. Do you recall any
- 17 discussion -- I'm going to take you to some
- 18 correspondence in it, but do you recall any
- 19 discussions that you had with anyone about the mix
- 20 design approval and moving forward at that point
- 21 in time?
- 22 A. I do feel -- you know, if
- 23 I had had the opportunity to speak to Walter or
- 24 Marco or made an opportunity it would have been a
- 25 topic of discussion that, you know, again we're

1 concerned. We've supplied all the information 2 according to the contract so -- and there was -if you read their correspondence you can see that 3 4 there was -- you know, people were on board and we 5 still don't have that approval. 6 Ο. All right. If we could 7 go to Duf, D-U-F, 1965.01. So this is an e-mail at the top from you on July 23, 2007, to Philips 8 9 and copying Mr. Oddi, Mr. Wharrie and 10 Mr. Triemstra, subject SMA aggregate concerns. And you are -- we will look at the e-mail in a 11 12 sec, but you are forwarding an e-mail below from 13 Paul Janicas to you and copying Mr. Gamble, 14 subject RHV mixed aggregates dated July 20th. 15 And then if we could expand 16 just the text for the top e-mail: 17 "Walter, please see attached 18 correspondence regarding the 19 concerns of the aggregate which are to be used in the 20 21 FC2 and SMA surface course 22 mixes. As you are aware, we 23 still have the test trip for 24 the SMA scheduled for this

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upcoming Wednesday and trust

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1	that the documents below will
2	satisfy the concerns verbally
3	identified. Should there
4	still be concerns on this
5	matter after reviewing this
6	information please call me at
7	your earliest convenience so
8	we can arrange a meeting to
9	resolve this matter." (As
10	read)
11	And the if you take that
12	down, please.
13	The e-mail you are forwarding,
14	the attachments that are indicated there as PDF
15	images have not been located, but you can see
16	if you can expand those, thank you. There's PDF
17	images on the e-mail for skid resistance report,
18	mix design examples, Red Hill Valley aggregate
19	physicals comments, Trow 20th July, 2007, and
20	Demix Aggregates July 20 Dufferin cover letter.
21	Do you have any recollection
22	of what those attached documents were?
23	A. No, not exactly.
24	Q. Would you have reviewed
25	them before you forwarded them?

- 1 A. Likely not in any great
- 2 detail, no.
- Q. And the first one is a --
- 4 PDF is labelled "Skid Resistance Report." Do you
- 5 recall what that was, aside from the obvious
- 6 wording?
- 7 A. Yeah, all I can say is it
- 8 was, yeah, the obvious wording. I don't recall,
- 9 no.
- 10 Q. Before I ask you just
- 11 some more questions about it, I want to look at
- 12 another document, overview document 3, image 53.
- 13 It's at the top image 53 there. It's the same
- 14 day, later the same day. Mr. Janicas e-mailed
- 15 Philips and Mr. Oddi about the subject there, as
- 16 you can see that. It's prior uses of the Demix
- 17 Aggregates by the Quebec Ministry of
- 18 Transportation. You were copied on that e-mail.
- Do you recall, was there a
- 20 request for the information provided in those two
- 21 e-mails, yours on the 23rd and Mr. Janicas' on the
- 22 23rd? Or do you know what prompted this?
- 23 A. Again, I would say that
- 24 again there would have been discussion on site
- 25 potentially looking for some more history or any

- 1 more results we may have about using the product
- 2 and this is what we were able to come up with with
- 3 our division out of Quebec.
- 4 Q. Do you have any specific
- 5 recollection of who you were discussing this with?
- A. Well, I would have only
- 7 been discussing it with Marco and Walter, Philips.
- Q. All right. And in your
- 9 e-mail -- you can take that down, please. If you
- 10 can pull up 52 so it's there as well.
- 11 So you will see in the middle
- of the image on the left, image 52, is just your
- 13 e-mail that we already were talking about. You
- 14 wrote -- in your e-mail three times you refer to
- 15 concern or concerns. In the first paragraph it's
- 16 attached correspondence regarding the concerns of
- 17 the aggregate.
- 18 In the second paragraph that
- 19 you trust the documents below will satisfy the
- 20 concerns verbally indicated. And then should
- 21 there still be concerns on this matter after you
- 22 read this information please call me.
- So do you recall what those
- 24 concerns were?
- 25 A. I can only -- you know, I

- 1 would believe the history of the material and
- 2 certainly perhaps there was, you know, it being a
- 3 new material to Ontario that people weren't
- 4 familiar with they were just looking for -- that
- 5 that was their concern and they were looking for
- 6 more history on it.
- 7 Q. Okay. And am I correct
- 8 that it would have been intended that the
- 9 materials that were -- that you forwarded from
- 10 Mr. Janicas were intended to address those
- 11 concerns, whatever they were?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Do you recall if someone
- 14 had expressed a concern about skid resistance
- 15 specifically?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 O. You don't recall one way
- 18 or the other or no one raised it with you?
- 19 A. I don't recall it, no.
- Q. Sorry, I just want to
- 21 deal with your sort of level of certainty. There
- 22 can be a distinction between I just don't remember
- 23 one way or another, or no, I definitely (speaker
- 24 overlap) -- whether you know which of those two it
- 25 is.

- 1 A. I don't remember any
- 2 concerns of friction specifically.
- Q. Okay. And do you know
- 4 why both of these e-mails was sent to Mr. Oddi and
- 5 to Philips, Mr. Maranzan, rather than to
- 6 Dr. Uzarowski at Golder?
- 7 A. Yeah, again just the
- 8 reporting, you know, my lines of communication
- 9 again are with Philips, and certainly Marco is
- 10 very much in tune with what's happening at this
- 11 time too, so that would be his inclusion for that.
- 12 Q. Fair enough. But
- 13 Mr. Janicas, he also sent it to Philips and
- 14 Mr. Oddi and we know that he frequently
- 15 communicated directly with them on --
- 16 A. Yeah, again I believe
- 17 that this would have been the same conversation.
- 18 And if you can imagine, we didn't have smart
- 19 phones at that time and I spent my days out on
- 20 site, so I'm assuming there could have been a
- 21 conversation where if Paul is at his laptop I may
- 22 have asked him just to forward it directly and
- 23 copy me, which would be quite common for me to do
- 24 at that time.
- Q. Sorry, what would have

- 1 been common for you to do?
- 2 A. Have somebody send an
- 3 e-mail for me or a communication if I was out on
- 4 site dealing with a matter or unavailable to
- 5 e-mail.
- Q. Okay. And do I
- 7 understand you correctly that you don't have a
- 8 specific recollection of those discussions or what
- 9 happened, but just based on your practices and the
- 10 lines of communication that you described that's
- 11 what you think is likely the case?
- 12 A. Yes, that's what I
- 13 believe would have been my reaction to the
- 14 information I'm seeing, yes.
- 15 O. Given the nature of the
- 16 information that you were sending, is that
- 17 something you would have expected Philips or
- 18 Mr. Oddi to bring to Golder's attention?
- 19 A. Yeah, I would say they
- 20 probably would be having conversations regarding
- 21 the information we were providing.
- Q. And did you have any
- 23 knowledge at the time of whether or not it was
- 24 provided to Golder?
- A. No, I wouldn't. That

- 1 would be up to Philips and Marco.
- Q. Moving towards the test
- 3 strip and the paving itself of the main line, can
- 4 you just describe a bit about Dufferin's typical
- 5 surface layer paving practices back at that time?
- A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. Configuration of the
- 8 train and -- types of rollers, that sort of thing?
- 9 A. Yeah. So depending --
- 10 well, this job called for the surface paving to be
- 11 done in echelon so we would have started with
- 12 the -- if I work from the front to the back we
- 13 would have our transportation vehicle supplying
- 14 the asphalt, dumping into the shuttle buggy.
- 15 There would be two pavers in line paving to keep
- 16 that centre line joint hot. And then we would
- 17 have our roller train in behind, and that could be
- 18 a variant in a number of rollers. A project like
- 19 this could be four to five rollers finishing
- 20 depending on temperatures and conditions we were
- 21 exposed to. But, yeah, and we would have traffic
- 22 closed off in behind there so nobody was driving
- 23 on the hot mat.
- Q. Like, no construction?
- 25 A. That's right.

- 1 Construction and equipment and what have you.
- 2 Bystanders. You would be surprised.
- Q. The shuttle buggy is
- 4 what?
- 5 A. It's a material transfer
- 6 vehicle, so it basically takes the asphalt from
- 7 the truck, you know, continues to mix it up
- 8 through, right, and then it can by conveyor load
- 9 it into the two pavers as needed as they place the
- 10 mix off the back of the screed.
- 11 Q. The paver itself are the
- 12 machines that place the asphalt?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. And what about the types
- 15 of rollers? What kind rollers were you typically
- 16 using?
- 17 A. Yeah, so there would be
- 18 steel drum rollers and then you would have rubber
- 19 tire rollers.
- 20 O. And rubber tire rollers,
- 21 is that something that you use for the SMA or no?
- 22 A. Yeah. It's again not
- 23 something I typically get too involved with with
- 24 SMA and I haven't done a lot of it so I can't
- 25 answer that.

- 1 Q. You mean you can't recall
- 2 whether you did or not?
- A. Yeah, I don't recall, no.
- 4 Q. Okay. And what about the
- 5 use of the vibratory setting on the rollers, is
- 6 that -- apart from this project, is that typically
- 7 Dufferin's project to use the vibration setting
- 8 when it's rolling?
- 9 A. Not always. Again,
- 10 depending on the mix, the conditions, the -- what
- 11 we are paving. So that's something that's worked
- 12 out with the -- our technical representative
- on-site, in this case Paul, the paving foreman,
- 14 and the roller operators; they come up with the
- 15 sequence and the pattern for rolling that gives
- 16 the desired results.
- 17 O. Is the intention with
- 18 using the vibration setting is to achieve greater
- 19 compaction?
- 20 A. Yeah, yeah, they would
- 21 manage the setting to -- again to get better or --
- 22 better results for overall compaction of the mat
- 23 that's being placed.
- Q. And are you familiar with
- 25 issues about if you -- again, if rollers are too

- 1 heavy or potentially with SMA, if vibration is
- 2 used, that it can potentially result in cracking
- 3 of aggregates? Are those issues that you're
- 4 familiar with?
- 5 A. Not really, no.
- Q. Not your end of things?
- 7 A. No.
- Q. If we could go to
- 9 image 53. I guess we're there. 53 and 54,
- 10 please.
- 11 So we know that Dufferin
- 12 placed the test strip for the SMA on July 25th,
- 13 2007, and I understand you were present for the
- 14 test strip; is that correct?
- A. Not the SMA, no.
- 16 Q. Not the SMA?
- 17 A. No.
- Q. What ones were you
- 19 present -- there was an RBM test strip?
- 20 A. Yes. I was -- I was
- 21 there the day we did the RBM test strip, yes.
- Q. Okay. But you were not
- 23 there for the SMA test strip?
- 24 A. I don't recall being
- 25 there for the SMA test strip, no.

- 1 Q. So you do not know where
- 2 the test strip was placed; is that correct?
- A. I know that's been a
- 4 topic reviewed and I would have known -- you know,
- 5 again my memory tells me I know what happens on my
- 6 project so I would know the location. Again I
- 7 recall something different I think than others,
- 8 but I do recall the ramp you were looking for.
- Q. Okay. So I'm going to --
- 10 that's fine. I'm going to ask the registrar to
- 11 pull up RHV93 -- sorry, 930, I guess. So this has
- 12 been made an exhibit. I'm not sure which one off
- 13 the top of my head. It might be Exhibit 17. I'll
- 14 have to check that.
- Dr. Uzarowski identified the
- 16 approximate location of the test strip at the Mud
- 17 Street interchange in red on that document. Does
- 18 that accord with your recollection or not?
- 19 A. No, I don't remember it
- 20 there, no.
- 21 Q. Where --
- A. Again, I wasn't present
- 23 for that. I remember it being pretty much kitty
- 24 corner to that, so up near the subdivision on the
- 25 other side is where I recall it. I certainly

- 1 recall it being discussed and that would be the
- 2 east to -- east to north ramp I guess.
- Q. Okay. And if we could --
- 4 that's Exhibit 22, just for the record. RHV830.
- 5 Okay. And if we could pull up
- 6 RHV929. Is that the ramp that's coloured in
- 7 yellow there? Is that overall the ramp that you
- 8 were just referring to?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And you said you recalled
- 11 discussions about it but you weren't there for the
- 12 actual placement; is that right?
- A. That's right.
- Q. So I appreciate that
- 15 that's your recollection, but can you state that
- 16 Dr. Uzarowski is incorrect in his recollection or
- 17 no?
- 18 A. I can't state that.
- 19 That's what I remember. It was a long time ago.
- 20 That's what I recall, is that we wanted it on that
- 21 ramp. It was a little longer. As you can see,
- 22 the red mark you've seen on the previous exhibit
- 23 was short, and we were looking to have, if I
- 24 recall, a little longer test strip to make sure
- 25 that we could get as much time to make the

- 1 adjustments to the mix. So we were looking for a
- 2 bigger test area.
- Q. If we could make that the
- 4 next exhibit, please. That's RHV929. I think
- 5 that's 41.
- THE REGISTRAR: Noted,
- 7 counsel. Exhibit 41.
- 8 EXHIBIT NO. 41: Photo of SMA
- 9 Test Strip Placement (July 25, 2007), RHV929
- 10 BY MR. LEWIS:
- 11 Q. If you could take that
- 12 down, please.
- Was it -- you weren't present
- 14 for the testing of the -- for the SMA test strip.
- 15 I would have thought that that was something that
- 16 would be important for you to be at given that
- 17 there was going to be -- it's in the lead up to
- 18 the SMA main line paving and that you are
- 19 ultimately the site supervisor. Do you know why
- 20 you didn't attend?
- 21 A. Again, I don't recall,
- 22 and I don't disagree with what you're saying. I
- 23 do know it was around my birthday so maybe I had a
- 24 day off. How dare I, but I may have had a day
- 25 off. I'm not sure.

- 1 Q. Do you have any knowledge
- 2 of whether the vibration setting was used on the
- 3 rollers for part or all of the test strip
- 4 placement?
- A. No, I don't recall that
- 6 knowledge.
- 7 Q. Are test strips -- I
- 8 mean, we know that there were two on this project.
- 9 Are test strips something that is common in your
- 10 experience?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. How often have you been
- involved in them, do you recall?
- 14 A. That might be one of the
- only two times I've done test strips, to be
- 16 honest.
- 17 O. So if it's an uncommon
- 18 event to have test strips, and as you know it was
- 19 a contractual requirement here to do test strips
- 20 for the RBM and the SMA, did you see those as
- 21 important steps in the construction in the paving?
- 22 A. I did, yes. And, you
- 23 know, I'll be honest, with it being the perpetual
- 24 asphalt and the rich bottom mix I was more
- 25 concerned about that because that's something that

- 1 there was no knowledge of in Ontario at the time
- 2 to my knowledge, and I was quite curious on how
- 3 that mix was going to go and how we were going to
- 4 manage it further down on the main line.
- 5 So I was very much interested
- 6 in that. The SMA and the technical expertise of
- 7 Dufferin and placing and knowledge of the
- 8 industry, I felt confident in the SMA more so than
- 9 the RBM.
- 10 Q. Okay. But as you
- 11 indicated though, that was still -- it was your
- 12 first involvement in an SMA placement and to your
- 13 knowledge it was Dufferin's first --
- 14 A. Yeah, in my business I
- 15 have to trust the people that I work with and I
- 16 trust my technical support.
- 17 O. When there was a meeting
- 18 on-site on July 27th, so a couple of days later,
- 19 to inspect the test strip, and Dr. Uzarowski has
- 20 some notes, if we could go to image 54 and OD3.
- 21 That's in paragraph 109. This is Dr. Uzarowski's
- 22 notes in the smaller print. He indicates that
- 23 meeting with Marco Oddi, James DCC and Andro and
- 24 LU. Do you recall if you were at that meeting or
- 25 no?

- 1 A. I don't recall, no.
- Q. You think you weren't at
- 3 the meeting?
- A. I don't believe so. I
- 5 don't remember.
- Q. At that meeting we've
- 7 heard that Dr. Uzarowski indicated that there were
- 8 issues with the test strip, and as you can see
- 9 there, he indicates test strip is rejectable and
- 10 he talks about the test results that -- leading to
- 11 that. And it refers to James DCC. Is that
- 12 James Wharrie? Is any other James that would have
- 13 been?
- 14 A. I'm assuming it's James
- 15 Wharrie. I don't remember any other James at that
- 16 time.
- Q. And do you recall if the
- 18 rejection or rejectableness of the test strip or
- 19 that the test strip has failed, could that -- he
- 20 says at the top of his note that the test strip
- 21 has failed, do you recall that being raised with
- 22 you by Mr. Wharrie or anybody else? There's later
- 23 correspondence, but do you recall a discussion
- 24 about this or?
- 25 A. I don't recall, no. I

- 1 don't remember. 2 Q. You just don't remember 3 one way or the other? 4 Α. Yep. 5 You could take that down, O. 6 please. The next image, 55. Paragraph 111. 7 So four days later, on 8 July 31st, 2007, Dr. Uzarowski e-mailed Mr. Janicas, Mr. Oddi and Philips. And it's not 10 noted there but you are actually copied on that
- 12 with the SMA test strip. Could you please call

e-mail. And Dr. Uzarowski refers to issues but --

13 that up.

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- 14 A. Okay.
- Q. Dr. Uzarowski concludes
- 16 by saying:
- 17 "The test strip is not
- 18 acceptable. We recommended
- 19 that a new test strip be
- 20 completed. We understand that
- 21 Dufferin Construction intends
- 22 to place the SMA mix on the
- 23 main line tomorrow.
- 24 Dufferin Construction should
- 25 be aware that the test strip

1	has not been approved and the
2	paving will be at their entire
3	risk." (As read)
4	Do you recall any discussions
5	leading up to this e-mail, any communications to
6	Golder or the City or Philips about Dufferin's
7	intention to proceed?
8	A. I don't recall any direct
9	communication about this. Again, going from my
10	common practice is I got to think we would be
11	trying to get some insight onto what the City's
12	and Philips' position was on this because
13	ultimately that's where direction is intended, you
14	know, that comes to us would come from the CA, or
15	the City.
16	Q. Right. So that's who you
17	think you would have spoken to or had whatever
18	communications with about
19	A. Yeah. I would not
20	respond directly to Golders on an e-mail that's
21	not very clear to me.
22	Q. Well, I'm thinking about
23	in advance of this, because clearly Golder has
24	been advised of this, and if I understood you
25	correctly, you think that your communication would

- 1 have been with Philips or Mr. Oddi or both about
- 2 the Dufferin's intention to proceed; is that fair?
- A. That's fair, yes.
- 4 O. And who made the decision
- 5 to proceed with the SMA paving on August 1st
- 6 despite Dr. Uzarowski's comments that we discussed
- 7 about the meeting on the 27th and this e-mail, do
- 8 you recall?
- 9 A. It would have been a team
- 10 decision. Again, we were very open and
- 11 communicate amongst our peers and the client in
- 12 this case, I believe, and we would have made that
- 13 decision together. And more importantly,
- 14 Dufferin Construction would have made that
- 15 decision. It may have been conversations with
- 16 Paul Janicas, Peter Gamble, Jake Sudac and myself,
- 17 and we would make that decision together.
- Q. Okay. And do you know
- 19 whose -- I appreciate that discussions occurred.
- 20 Do you know whose actual decision it is? Someone
- 21 has to make a decision. Do you know?
- 22 A. Jake Sudac is a district
- 23 manager and that's who I report to, and
- 24 ultimately, based on what he had heard, he would
- 25 make a decision one way or the other.

- Q. In consultation with you
- 2 and the others that you described?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And Mr. Gamble
- 5 testified that the decision to proceed would have
- 6 been made by Mr. Sudac in consultation with you.
- 7 Does that sound about right?
- A. That's correct, yes.
- 9 Q. And I take it you were
- 10 aware at the time that the contract indicated that
- 11 if the test strip was -- did not meet
- 12 specifications, that the contractor would have to
- 13 repeat the trial section. Is that something that
- 14 you knew at the time?
- 15 A. I would have known what
- 16 the contract said, yes. I would have known what
- 17 the contract said, yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. So if I understand
- 19 you correctly, while you don't have specific
- 20 recollection, based on your practice you think you
- 21 would have had discussions with Mr. Oddi and with
- 22 the contract administrator about the intention to
- 23 proceed in any event; is that right?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you recall being

- 1 given the okay to proceed?
- A. I don't recall, but I
- 3 would say that we would have went ahead with them
- 4 on board with our -- the confidence that we could
- 5 make the adjustments required to do the work.
- 6 Anything we do out there is at our risk, and if we
- 7 don't give the owner an acceptable standard we
- 8 would always have that risk that we remove and
- 9 replace. So whether or not I do another test
- 10 strip or I put it where it belongs, you know,
- 11 that's a decision that we felt confident we could
- 12 do and get to the point where we have an
- 13 acceptable paving surface out there that the City
- 14 will accept.
- 15 Q. And given it was your and
- 16 Dufferin's first SMA placement, do you recall was
- 17 consideration given to that fact in deciding to
- 18 proceed without redoing the test strip?
- 19 A. I got to think yeah,
- 20 there would have been consideration to that, but
- 21 at the same point we -- you know, with the
- 22 confidence of the team and our technical support,
- 23 again if we were supplying and placing a mix that
- 24 wasn't meeting the contract we would have ceased
- 25 paving for that day or we would have stopped

- 1 early.
- Q. And we know that Dufferin
- 3 did indeed commence the main line SMA paving --
- 4 sorry, you can take that down, Registrar -- on
- 5 August 1st and completed it on August 13th. Do
- 6 you recall the order of paving in terms of the
- 7 direction of northbound, southbound lanes and
- 8 where it started and proceeded and then ended?
- 9 A. I vaguely remember, to be
- 10 quite honest, and I feel we started in the
- 11 northbound lanes. I don't know exactly where we
- 12 started, but I felt we started in the northbound
- 13 lanes and then circled back southbound. So we
- 14 might have did it in sections just -- I don't
- 15 recall exactly.
- Q. So if I understood you
- 17 correctly, and I appreciate it's a long time ago
- 18 and you've done a lot of paving jobs in your
- 19 recalling, but your best recollection at this time
- 20 is you think, number one, you started in the
- 21 northbound lanes. That's number one. Okay. And
- 22 when you said you did that and then looped around,
- 23 do you mean you did the northbound lanes and then
- 24 did the southbound lanes?
- 25 A. That's right.

- 1 Q. Like in looped. And do
- 2 you know which end of the northbound lanes, like
- 3 the south end proceeding north in the direction
- 4 that traffic would have gone or the other way
- 5 around? Do you recall?
- A. Again, I don't recall
- 7 specifically, but, you know, I felt like we
- 8 stopped paving at Barton. So we worked from south
- 9 to north in the northbound lanes, and I felt like
- 10 because of, you know, some of the stages of the
- 11 work at the north end, we circled back at Barton
- 12 Street and went back up the Red Hill Valley
- 13 towards --
- Q. Then you mean --
- 15 A. Back up towards Mud
- 16 Street, yes.
- 17 O. Right. Proceeding south.
- 18 So went up north and then went back south in the
- 19 southbound lanes; is that right?
- 20 A. That's what I recall.
- 21 Again, I....
- Q. I'm not trying to trap
- 23 you. I'm just trying to get your best
- 24 recollection.
- 25 A. Yeah. No, that's my best

- 1 recollection.
- Q. Okay. Just give me one
- 3 moment.
- 4 And, again, just you talked
- 5 about your -- about Barton Street. Barton Street
- 6 wasn't the northernmost limits of this paving,
- 7 right? It went past -- it went up to the -- where
- 8 the MTO project ultimately began for the
- 9 interchange which was at the --
- 10 A. Just past the Rennie
- 11 Street landfill there, yeah.
- Q. Right. Are you saying
- 13 you think that -- and I think you mentioned
- 14 because of construction stuff that was going on at
- 15 that point that you looped back to go south before
- 16 you hit the northernmost limits; is that right?
- 17 Does that sound right?
- 18 A. Yes. Yeah, that's what I
- 19 kind of remember, yes.
- 20 O. Okay.
- 21 A. That's what I remember.
- Q. Okay. And then
- 23 presumably would have completed the last part, the
- 24 northernmost portion after that; is that right?
- A. Yes, yes.

- 1 Q. Okay. I think generally
- 2 speaking the compaction results that we've seen do
- 3 support that. We'll have to check back.
- 4 Now I want to take you to the
- 5 first nuclear density report, the compaction
- 6 report from Golder, which is at GOL1718, and if
- 7 you could pull that up in native, please,
- 8 Registrar. And, Registrar, if you could just -- I
- 9 know did -- thank you. You knew where I was
- 10 going.
- 11 So what we have here is the
- 12 Golder August 1st nuclear density test results
- 13 summary, and you'll see it's got the -- in the
- 14 third column it refers to the station in the --
- 15 and its direction NBL, northbound lane. Do you
- 16 see that?
- 17 A. Yep.
- Q. So does that accord with
- 19 your recollection as you just described to us
- 20 starting in the northbound lanes?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And that -- the 2100
- 23 that's at the south end, right?
- 24 A. I don't recall where 21
- 25 plus 900 is.

- Q. Okay.
- A. My apologies.
- Q. That's fine. Okay. And
- 4 if -- do you have any recollection? I think we
- 5 can go to the bottom here. There's reference in
- 6 this document to -- at the very bottom to the
- 7 vibration being used for a portion, for
- 8 1,300 metres and not vibration for 1,950 metres
- 9 for a total paved of 3,250. Do you see that? Do
- 10 you have any recollection of whether Dufferin was
- 11 using vibration on the rollers at that time?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Not one way or the other?
- A. No, not one way or the
- 15 other, no.
- 0. Okay. And is that
- 17 something that would be at your direction or not
- 18 at your direction. Who's making the decision
- 19 on-site at -- you know, at that time to do that or
- 20 not?
- 21 A. That would be -- a big
- 22 part would be Paul Janicas, you know, the paving
- 23 foreman, and maybe even discussions -- I believe
- 24 at that time our -- the quality manager was Wade
- O'Leary, so there would have been some discussions

- 1 in real time as the operation was progressing and
- 2 getting confirmation with the results, you know,
- 3 behind the paving train.
- Q. Okay. And on subsequent
- 5 days do you know one way or the other whether
- 6 Dufferin was using the vibration mode on its
- 7 rollers or not?
- A. I do not know, no.
- 9 Q. And do you recall if
- 10 there were concerns raised about compaction
- 11 results in that first number of days of the
- 12 paving?
- 13 A. I don't recall, no.
- Q. Don't recall one way or
- 15 the other?
- 16 A. Yeah, I don't remember
- 17 the concerns.
- 18 Q. Okay. Do you recall that
- 19 there were -- there being any changes in the -- in
- 20 the way in which -- the rolling pattern and the
- 21 approach to the paving as that proceeded?
- 22 A. I knew that there was --
- 23 that, you know, Paul and the team were working to
- 24 improve it, but, you know, to -- you know, not
- 25 necessarily dramatic changes, but they were always

- 1 continually there monitoring it closely and making
- 2 those adjustments, yes.
- Q. Okay. So, for example,
- 4 about -- using an increased number of rollers, do
- 5 you recall that change being made to the number of
- 6 rollers?
- 7 A. I don't recall that, but
- 8 it's quite possible; that does happen.
- 9 Q. Or following more closely
- 10 behind the -- with the rollers behind the paver
- 11 screed?
- 12 A. Yeah. That's another
- 13 thing we do in the industry from time to time,
- 14 yes.
- Q. In order to improve the
- 16 compaction?
- 17 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. Do you recall any
- 19 issues being raised with you about the --
- 20 particular issues about SMA and difficulties with
- 21 compaction respecting SMA?
- 22 A. I don't recall.
- Q. You can take that down,
- 24 Registrar. And if we could go to overview
- 25 document 3, image 58.

1	In paragraph 120, you'll see
2	there's an e-mail on August 9th from Mr. Oddi
3	e-mailing to you, Mr. Gamble and James Wharrie
4	along with Philips. And he writes:
5	"This correspondence confirms
6	that the Varennes-DEMIX
7	aggregates have been approved
8	for use in the SMA and
9	Superpave 12.5 FC2 surface
10	course asphalt mixes on the
11	Red Hill Valley Parkway main
12	line paving project. The
13	trial batches for both mix
14	designs met the specified
15	requirements. If you have any
16	questions please call me."
17	(As read)
18	Do you recall receiving this
19	e-mail?
20	A. I don't recall, no.
21	Q. Okay. And do you know
22	why Mr. Oddi sent it to Mr. Gamble, you and
23	Mr. Wharrie and Philips?
24	A. I don't recall. I would
25	say it would be from a conversation on-site and

- 1 closing the loops from the previous requests that
- 2 we have within the contract that we
- 3 (indiscernible).
- Q. Okay. This is an
- 5 aggregate approval e-mail. He's specifically
- 6 referring to aggregates. Would you agree that
- 7 typically Golder is -- was the point of contact
- 8 for Dufferin with respect to mix design and
- 9 aggregate approval? Do you agree with that?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. Do you have any
- 12 insight as to why specifically this was sent to
- 13 Dufferin and Philips rather than Golder?
- A. No, I don't know.
- 15 O. All right. If we could
- 16 go to overview document 4 now.
- I'm going to ask you -- I'm
- 18 going to show you a few documents about the MTO's
- 19 skid testing that took place on the Red Hill after
- 20 paving was completed, and then I'm going to ask
- 21 you a few questions based on that.
- 22 A. Sure.
- Q. I'll take you to a few
- 24 e-mails first just to place it for you.
- Image 55 and 56, please.

1 So you'll see on paragraph 126 2 which straddles the two pages, this isn't an e-mail that you're copied on. It's Golder and the 3 4 MTO. It's talking about friction testing is going 5 to take place on Tuesday, October 9th. We know 6 that eventually it actually took place on the 7 16th, and he's talking about making arrangements 8 for it to be -- for it to take place. 9 And then if you look at 10 paragraph 127 on the top of the next page Mr. Delos Reyes of Golder forwarded that e-mail to 11 12 Philips and to Dufferin at Mr. Wharrie's e-mail 13 address stating: 14 "Gentlemen, for your 15 information and permission." 16 (As read) 17 And then -- now if we go to 18 Dufferin, DUF2709.01, which is Exhibit 32, already been made an exhibit. 19 You'll see at the bottom is 20 21 the e-mail I just referred you to where Mr. Delos 22 Reyes says: 23 "Gentlemen, for your 24 information and permission."

(As read)

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1 Then he sent it to Philips and 2 Mr. Wharrie, and then Mr. Wharrie flips it to you 3 at the top on October 4th, just -- saying: 4 "Please find attached from 5 Andro regarding skid 6 resistance testing to take 7 place on October 9th." (As 8 read) 9 And as I said, it eventually 10 takes place on the 16th. And first of all, why are you being brought into this at that time? Do 11 12 you recall? 13 Yeah. Again, it's our Α. 14 site, and we would have had to make sure there was 15 time and space and people out the way for this 16 testing to occur, so, you know, we would have to 17 make sure we vacated the area for that duration 18 specified. 19 Q. Right. So still a 20 construction site? 21 Α. Yeah. 22 Okay. And then going Q. 23 back to overview document 4, Registrar, and 24 image 59.

At paragraph 136 at the bottom

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- 1 of the page, this is the day after the MTO skid
- 2 testing actually took place, Mr. Delos Reyes of
- 3 Golder e-mails the MTO, Mr. Marciello, and he
- 4 wrote:
- 5 "Just a reminder please e-mail
- 6 test result as discussed.
- 7 Dufferin and Philips
- 8 engineering are highly
- 9 interested." (As read)
- 10 Do you recall Dufferin's
- 11 interest in the skid test results?
- 12 A. I don't recall
- 13 specifically. Certainly if anybody is doing tests
- on our work, we would be interested in the results
- 15 and what the outcome was for sure. I don't
- 16 remember anything specifically, you know, beyond
- 17 that.
- Q. Okay. And you
- 19 personally, do you recall expressing that
- 20 interest?
- 21 A. I don't personally
- 22 remember that, no.
- Q. And is skid testing
- 24 something that you had -- that -- any skid test
- 25 results that you had any knowledge of or

- 1 experience with?
- 2 A. I did have some
- 3 experience with it prior to this. It was totally
- 4 a different issue and different owner and, you
- 5 know, it was -- yeah, all kinds different
- 6 circumstances. But that's the only other
- 7 experience I had.
- Q. Okay. What kind of skid
- 9 testing was it? Do you recall?
- 10 A. It was the same thing,
- 11 but it was a surface that accidentally got TAC
- 12 coated, and the question was, was the friction
- 13 good enough to withstand traffic? Could we put it
- on it, or was it going to have to be subject to
- 15 some remedial work?
- 16 O. What kind of device was
- 17 used to test the friction? Do you recall?
- 18 A. I think it was -- it was
- 19 an MTO job, and I think they brought out their
- 20 unit. I don't recall exactly, but I'm pretty sure
- 21 the friction was assessed by their equipment.
- Q. Okay. So it was MTO,
- 23 so --
- 24 A. Yeah.
- Q. -- their locked-wheel

- 1 tester?
- A. Yeah. Yes, so that's
- 3 right.
- Q. But that -- okay. So
- 5 from your reaction there, though, I take it, so
- 6 you were aware of skid testing. Did you have any
- 7 particular knowledge or expertise about it?
- 8 A. Zero, zero. I just --
- 9 and, again, this was something where we put
- 10 basically glue on top of an asphalt that wasn't
- 11 supposed to get it, right. So, you know, a total
- 12 different situation than what we were testing for
- 13 here.
- Q. Right. So it was a
- 15 contaminant essentially on the asphalt that you
- 16 needed to then test to make sure it had adequate
- 17 frictional qualities as a result?
- A. That's right, yes.
- Q. Okay. Thank you. And
- 20 back to the Red Hill skid testing. And did you
- 21 personally ever receive the results of the skid
- 22 testing?
- 23 A. I don't remember
- 24 receiving them, no.
- 25 Q. Okay. And do you recall

- 1 ever being told about the results?
- 2 A. I vaguely remember that
- 3 they were -- the results were good, and there was
- 4 no concerns with the results. Certainly I would
- 5 have known if there was an issue and that never
- 6 came forward.
- 7 O. Do you recall who advised
- 8 you of that?
- 9 A. I do not, no.
- 10 Q. Do you recall how you
- 11 were advised? Was it a telephone call? An
- in-person meeting?
- 13 A. It could have been in
- 14 passing on the job, and, again -- or it could have
- 15 been at the site meeting. I'm not sure if that
- 16 came out in the minutes of the meeting at all, but
- 17 it could have been in passing. I know, you know,
- 18 through -- you know, it could have been through
- 19 our technical department, Paul or Peter Gamble. I
- 20 don't recall how I got the message.
- 0. Okay. So there isn't
- 22 anything in the site meeting minutes, so I can
- 23 tell you that. And there isn't --
- 24 A. Okay.
- 25 Q. We don't have any e-mail

- 1 communication like that from Dufferin that would
- 2 say it. So do you think that it was -- you
- 3 mentioned through your technical department.
- 4 Could it also have come from external to Dufferin?
- 5 A. It may have. It could
- 6 have been from many -- yeah, it may have came
- 7 external, but I don't think it was anything formal
- 8 except there was no concerns, right. You know,
- 9 and that may of -- you know, I know there was
- 10 other tours and stuff happening on the job, and,
- 11 again, I don't know the timing in the industry if
- 12 it came out on that. I don't know.
- Q. Okay. Yeah, there were a
- 14 number of tours and events and so forth that took
- 15 place. Before the opening there was an OOMPH
- 16 pavement and other things. But just to summarize
- 17 your evidence, is it fair to say that you believe
- 18 that you were advised that the results, the
- 19 friction test results were good and there were no
- 20 concerns with it, but you don't recall where you
- 21 received that information from. Is that a fair
- 22 summary?
- 23 A. Yeah, I recall that there
- 24 was no concerns, that's what I recall, and how
- 25 that message got to me I do not remember.

- 1 MR. LEWIS: Okay. It's 20
- 2 after 11:00, Commissioner. I may have a couple
- 3 more questions, but I may be done, so I'm
- 4 wondering -- and also I should confer with counsel
- 5 just about their time and order for examinations.
- 6 So perhaps this would be a good time for a break.
- 7 JUSTICE WILTON-SIEGEL: Okay.
- 8 That's fine. Then let's stand adjourned until 25
- 9 to 12:00.
- 10 --- Recess taken at 11:21 a.m.
- 11 --- Upon resuming at 11:35 a.m.
- MR. LEWIS: I don't have any
- 13 further questions so over to counsel, Jennifer
- 14 Roberts.
- MS. JENNIFER ROBERTS:
- 16 Commissioner, may I begin.
- 17 JUSTICE WILTON-SIEGEL: Please
- 18 proceed.
- 19 MS. JENNIFER ROBERTS: Thank
- 20 you.
- 21 EXAMINATION BY MS. JENNIFER ROBERTS:
- Q. Mr. Hainer, I'm Jennifer
- 23 Roberts and I'm counsel for Golder, and I have a
- 24 few questions, and I'm going to take you in a bit
- of a different direction, so please bear with me.

- 1 First of all, just to confirm,
- 2 you are the project superintendent for the grading
- 3 as well as the paving for the project.
- 4 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. I'm going to take
- 6 you to the grading -- the grading contract. And
- 7 just to ask you, in preparing to attend today did
- 8 you have a chance to look at any of the drawings?
- 9 A. Not specifically, no.
- 10 Q. Okay. And I guess I
- 11 should just observe that the drawings that we have
- 12 are the issued-for-tender drawings, more recently,
- 13 and these come from Dufferin, so thank you,
- 14 Dufferin. More recently Hamilton has found
- as-constructed and some as-built drawings but not
- 16 for the main alignment.
- 17 Can I please ask, Registrar,
- 18 can you please turn up Dufferin 2535? Can you
- 19 please go to image 25.
- 20 So, sir, I'm showing you a
- 21 drawing of the main line of Red Hill Valley
- 22 Parkway. This is a drawing prepared by Philips.
- 23 Were you aware that there were three designers for
- 24 the three parts of the parkway alignment?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 O. And so this is the
- 2 Philips section, and the evidence the Philips
- 3 section is basically the middle section in the
- 4 parkway. Does that fit with your recollection?
- A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. Okay. And I'm showing
- 7 you the section, and if you look at the top right
- 8 corner, that shows where on the alignment the
- 9 larger drawing is; isn't that correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. And I take it,
- 12 sir, looking at drawings is something that in your
- 13 day-to-day work you do all the time?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 O. Thank you. Can we please
- 16 go back to -- sorry, hold on.
- 17 So the evidence is that this
- 18 part of the alignment is actually the tightest
- 19 radius turn on the Red Hill Valley Parkway, and in
- 20 fact it's a 420-metre radius turn. Is that
- 21 something that you knew?
- 22 A. I didn't know the exact
- 23 radius that was there, but I knew there was a
- 24 curve there, and that it was significant in
- 25 alignment, yes.

- Q. Okay. And when I --
- 2 looking at these drawings, there are no elevations
- 3 depicted on them.
- 4 Registrar, can you just
- 5 enlarge it a little bit so we don't really impose
- 6 on Mr. Hainer's eyesight here. Can you make
- 7 that -- there we go. Okay.
- 8 And so this is -- this section
- 9 we're -- we're looking at the turn section. I
- 10 would expect to see on drawings that the
- 11 elevations would show the cant of the road, the
- 12 superelevation of the road. Would that be your
- 13 usual experience in looking at these drawings?
- 14 A. No. Generally we would
- 15 get grading templates and they would be provided
- 16 at the increments, you know, along the alignment,
- 17 and they would give us our offsets and elevations
- 18 from control line. Just, you know, you can see
- 19 the drawings get quite busy. Again, this is my
- 20 opinion. The drawings get guite busy, and that's
- 21 why they don't put elevations on these particular
- 22 plan drawings.
- Q. Okay. So I have to say
- 24 I'm relieved to hear it because I have been
- 25 looking at these things with my client and trying

- 1 to figure out how the hell Dufferin actually
- 2 constructed from this.
- A. Yeah. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. So let me just,
- 5 though, understand just to get a sense of your
- 6 understanding of what should be shown. So on this
- 7 turn which -- from the northbound lane, which is
- 8 the bottom lane here, is going to the right. My
- 9 understanding is that the higher elevation should
- 10 be at the top end of this drawing and that there
- 11 should be a cant flowing down to the bottom of the
- 12 drawing -- bottom of the alignment on the drawing.
- 13 A. Yeah, that sounds
- 14 logical. Typically there is cross sections or
- 15 typical sections that would kind of come through
- 16 the curve and would show you those -- the
- 17 superelevated cross section of this area.
- Q. Okay. And that's exactly
- 19 what I was getting after. So the way this turn is
- 20 actually affected is not only that side to side,
- 21 but there's a change in the vertical, the
- 22 elevations to provide a cant so that the slope of
- 23 the road assists the driver in navigating the
- 24 turn; is that correct?
- 25 A. Yeah, those are design

- 1 elements, and again, you know -- and that is put
- 2 in and generates the grading templates, and that's
- 3 what we construct to, whatever is provided in
- 4 those details.
- Q. Okay. So we don't have
- 6 grading templates, so I'm going to have to ask for
- 7 your description of them. Are they -- they'll be
- 8 a specific location on the larger drawing, so
- 9 that's determined, you know -- so it will be
- 10 showing us a station number to a station number,
- 11 and they will show the precise elevations at that
- 12 area. Is that what they do?
- 13 A. Yeah. If you would take
- 14 example, you know, take those three arrows on the
- 15 bottom left corner, and you drew a line through
- 16 there --
- 17 O. Yeah.
- 18 A. -- you know, at each of
- 19 those edges of the lane you would get an offset
- 20 from the control line which I presume is in the
- 21 centre of the highway here, and you would have an
- 22 offset, say, of 5 metres, and you would have an
- 23 elevation given there. And that would -- you
- 24 would get all the break points in that line, so
- 25 where it changes in elevation.

- Q. Okay. That's very
- 2 helpful in understanding. Thank you.
- 3 And so -- just so I understand
- 4 this. So then at each of the layers of the
- 5 granular as you're building up the road, you're
- 6 shooting elevations on each level to ensure that
- 7 the ultimate design elevations will be met. Is
- 8 that how that works?
- 9 A. That's correct, yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. And the
- 11 contours -- in fact, the superelevation is set
- 12 from the base layers, these granular layers of the
- 13 highway. That's correct?
- 14 A. Yes, that's typical.
- 15 Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. And can you tell
- 17 me what the tolerances for grading, when the
- 18 contract is putting down? What's the acceptable
- 19 variation from the design?
- 20 A. Yeah, there's the OPSS
- 21 that we follow. So those grading specifications
- 22 we follow the tolerances there for, you know, for
- 23 subgrade granular tolerances.
- Q. Do you recall off the top
- of your head what they are?

- 1 A. I don't recall what they
- 2 were for this contract.
- Q. Okay. And was it
- 4 Dufferin who surveyors would shoot the elevations
- 5 to confirm that they conformed with what you're
- 6 telling me is the grading template?
- 7 A. We would have our
- 8 Dufferin grade person that would -- he would
- 9 verify from, you know, the alignment stakes that
- 10 are provided by the surveyor. They would measure
- 11 the offset and elevation at those corresponding
- 12 points with the grading templates.
- 13 Q. And would that be
- 14 reviewed by the contract administrator Philips at
- 15 the time?
- 16 A. Yeah, they would have --
- 17 they would have the -- that information available
- 18 to them whenever they wanted to check, yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. So they wouldn't
- 20 necessarily check each of the elevations shot, but
- 21 they would, I'm assuming do -- they would check
- 22 some of them for conformance?
- A. Yeah, and, you know,
- 24 again, the interval on which they check generally
- 25 is fairly -- is very often. I don't recall on

- 1 this job it being any different.
- Q. Right. And sometimes the
- 3 case it's the contractor who prepares
- 4 as-constructed drawings. Do you know whether in
- 5 this instance Dufferin prepared as-constructed
- 6 drawings?
- 7 A. I can't say with
- 8 certainty. Generally we do provide as-constructed
- 9 drawings, but I can't say with certainty. And
- 10 they would detail basically changes to the
- 11 contract only, so it would red line. For example,
- 12 if a culvert got extended 2 metres, we would put
- on there that the culvert got extended 2 metres.
- Q. Okay. And would the
- 15 as-constructed drawings show -- well, let me just
- 16 ask another question. Did Dufferin shoot
- 17 elevations at the completion of the paving
- 18 contract?
- 19 A. I don't recall. I don't
- 20 recall that.
- Q. Would that be usual?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. Okay. In other words, by
- 24 the time you get to the paving, you're just --
- 25 you're paving the specified layers for the

- 1 different layers of asphalt. That's correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. So you've got the
- 4 specified layers on top of where you shot the
- 5 elevations at the top of the granular. Do I have
- 6 that right?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And just going
- 9 back to the point on the as-constructed drawings.
- 10 Do the as-constructed drawings show the
- 11 elevations?
- 12 A. Not normally, no.
- Q. They wouldn't. Okay. So
- 14 the only way of telling whether the elevations and
- 15 ultimately the superelevations were achieved is if
- 16 you had the grading templates?
- 17 A. Can you repeat the
- 18 question, sorry.
- 19 Q. Yeah. What I'm trying to
- 20 figure out is how -- what record there would be of
- 21 the design that at the end of the day Hamilton
- 22 would have. And so my question is, is the only
- 23 way that you could tell what the elevations
- 24 actually were and therefore the superelevations
- 25 would be by actually having the grading template?

- 1 A. I would say it would be
- 2 from determining what the surface of the asphalt
- 3 was.
- Q. Okay. So the grading
- 5 templates would give you the elevations to the top
- 6 of the granular, it would give you the
- 7 superelevations -- it would give you the slope of
- 8 the superelevations, though, wouldn't it?
- 9 A. It would, yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. But you're saying
- 11 that in order to establish where the final design
- 12 elevations were in the templates you would have
- 13 had to shoot them when the paving was completed?
- 14 A. Correct, yes.
- 15 O. And unless that was done,
- 16 you would have to be interpreting from these other
- 17 documents what the elevations should have been.
- 18 That's correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Okay. And so let me just
- 21 address a piece of evidence. So we've heard
- 22 evidence from Marco Oddi that he didn't see any to
- 23 have as-constructed drawings because what was
- 24 constructed accorded with the design, and Hamilton
- 25 would therefore know what was constructed.

- 1 And I suggest to you, just as
- 2 I have, that you can't -- that not only do these
- 3 drawings by themselves not tell you what was
- 4 designed, but they certainly don't tell you what
- 5 was constructed. You'll agree with that?
- 6 A. This drawing alone does
- 7 not tell you what's constructed for cross-fall,
- 8 no.
- 9 Q. Okay. Thank you.
- 10 A. I would agree with that.
- 11 Q. Okay. Thank you very
- 12 much for your patience. Thank you, sir. Those
- 13 are my questions.
- 14 JUSTICE WILTON-SIEGEL: Okay.
- 15 MR. LEWIS: Commissioner, I'm
- 16 not sure if other counsel have any questions.
- 17 Counsel for the City said they would have no
- 18 questions; MTO reserved five minutes. Although
- 19 we're unsure. So, Mr. Bourrier, could you
- 20 advised?
- MR. BOURRIER: We don't have
- 22 any questions for Mr. Hainer. Thank you.
- MR. LEWIS: Okay. And then
- 24 that leaves Ms. McAleer for Dufferin.
- MS. MCALEER: Thank you

- 1 Mr. Lewis. I just have two questions to ask this
- 2 witness.
- 3 EXAMINATION BY MS. MCALEER:
- 4 Q. Mr. Registrar, could you
- 5 bring up Golder 3208, please. This is the e-mail
- 6 of July 31st, 2007 from Mr. Uzarowski to a number
- 7 of people. If you could just enlarge the 'to' and
- 8 'from' and 'time' box, please, Mr. Registrar.
- 9 Thank you.
- So, Mr. Hainer, you'll recall
- 11 that Mr. Lewis asked you some questions about this
- 12 e-mail that was sent by Mr. Uzarowski to a number
- 13 of people, and you were one of the recipients that
- 14 we see there in the 'to' line. Do you remember
- 15 those questions, sir?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 O. Okay. And looking at the
- 18 hour that this e-mail was sent, 5:42 p.m. on
- 19 July 31st, do you know, Mr. Hainer, whether or not
- 20 you would have seen this e-mail prior to attending
- 21 at the site the next morning to commence the
- 22 paving?
- 23 A. It would be very unlikely
- 24 I would see this e-mail during this tame frame.
- 25 We didn't have -- I didn't have a smart phone, so

- 1 I wouldn't have seen this unless I went and fired
- 2 up my laptop, so I wouldn't have known this that
- 3 night or the next morning.
- Q. Do you say that, sir,
- 5 because -- did you have a practice of checking
- 6 your e-mail in the morning before attending at a
- 7 work site? Do you recall if you did that back in
- 8 2007?
- 9 A. Generally I wouldn't. My
- 10 priority would be the operations that were set up
- 11 the previous night to make sure things were all
- 12 flowing correctly and people were where they
- 13 needed to be, and, you know, later in the morning
- 14 I would generally get to my office to catch up on
- 15 any correspondence that was needed.
- 16 O. And during this time
- 17 period -- so August 1st of 2007 -- what time would
- 18 you typically start paving in the morning, or what
- 19 time would you be on-site?
- 20 A. The crews would start
- 21 paving or be on-site around 6:30 and with
- 22 operation to start around 7 o'clock
- 23 (indiscernible).
- Q. I'm sorry, is that when
- 25 you would be on-site a as well?

- 1 A. Yeah, it would vary.
- 2 Sometimes earlier than that, just to drive to the
- 3 job and, you know -- in my line of work you live
- 4 on the job, so I, you know, could be there at
- 5 5:00, 6:00 in the morning well ahead of the
- 6 start -- planned start time.
- 7 Q. And I take it, sir, today
- 8 you have no recollection as to what time you may
- 9 have actually been on-site on August 1st, 2007?
- 10 A. No idea, no.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- 12 A. I don't know.
- Q. Right. And you recall
- 14 that Mr. Lewis asked you who made the decision to
- 15 proceed with the SMA paving on August 1st despite
- 16 Dr. Uzarowski's comments at the July 27 site
- 17 meeting that was about the test strip and his
- 18 e-mail of July 31st. And you indicated in
- 19 response it would've been a team decision. Do you
- 20 remember that, Mr. Hainer?
- 21 A. I do, yes.
- Q. Okay. And do you know if
- 23 the decision to proceed was made before or after
- 24 Dr. Uzarowski's e-mail of July 31st, taking into
- 25 account the time at which it was sent?

- 1 A. It would have been made
- 2 beforehand. I wouldn't have had communications
- 3 after 5 o'clock generally. Be very rare.
- 4 MS. MCALEER: Thank you,
- 5 Mr. Hainer. Those are all of my questions.
- THE WITNESS: You're welcome.
- 7 MR. LEWIS: I don't have any
- 8 further questions, Commissioner.
- 9 JUSTICE WILTON-SIEGEL: Okay.
- 10 Well, first of all, Mr. Hainer, thank you very
- 11 much for appearing before the inquiry. You're
- 12 excused, if you want to be.
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- JUSTICE WILTON-SIEGEL: Now,
- 15 with respect to the timing, I understand the next
- 16 witness -- we begin now a section of witnesses of
- 17 the MTO. Is that correct, Mr. Lewis?
- 18 MR. LEWIS: That's correct.
- 19 JUSTICE WILTON-SIEGEL: And
- 20 the first witness is going to be made available on
- 21 a full day basis. I also understand that one of
- 22 the law firms is not available tomorrow in their
- 23 entirety with the result that we're not sitting
- 24 tomorrow; is that correct?
- MR. LEWIS: Tomorrow and

1 Friday. 2 JUSTICE WILTON-SIEGEL: And we 3 will not be sitting on Friday as is the schedule, 4 which means that we would stand adjourned now 5 until Monday morning at 9:30; is that correct? 6 MR. LEWIS: Yes. 7 JUSTICE WILTON-SIEGEL: Okay. So unless there's anything further that we have to 8 9 do this morning, I don't think there is, we will 10 stand adjourned until 9:30 on Monday morning. 11 Thank you. 12 --- Whereupon at 11:57 a.m. the proceedings were 13 adjourned until Monday, May 16, 2022 at 14 9:30 a.m. 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25