

Treasurer's Report MF-CCC

Unlike the Province, the Coalition raised more money than it spent even if our success was modest. We had hoped to engage in a concerted fundraising effort but the demands of Phase I of the Inquiry dominated our time. Still a number of donors responded to our invitation to contribute. In addition, Cabot Martin agreed that the unused funds raised to fly Dr. Stig Bernander to the Province for his field work in Labrador and presentations here in St. John's, should be added to the account of the Coalition. In all, \$14,250. was raised. Expenditures amounted to \$3,450. leaving a balance of \$10,800 for continuing expenses of the Coalition.

As you know, the fees of our legal Counsel are paid by the provincial government. Expenses by the Coalition relate to venue and set-up costs for events such as this and construction of our web site in relation to which I want to thank Tor Fosnaes for registering and paying for our domain name. We did not use the site as well as we might have last year because the demands on our time, as interveners, simply did not leave time to do better communications except through the media or the Uncle Gnarley Blog. We are working towards using the web site more productively in the coming weeks and we have an offer of assistance to help make this happen.

The biggest need for additional funding is research. At times, the volume of witness interviews and other exhibits, some posted just a day or two prior to the appearance of a particular Witness, imposes a huge demand on our time and on that of the experts who also help with the material and who work pro bono. At times, we have a need to research public statements by Nalcor officials and Government statements.

While we will continue to be niggardly over the expenditure of funds donated, on-going donations will be welcomed.

Finally, we wish to thank all who have made donations and thank all our members for their support.