

Construction. This was started in 1955. They asked the Canadian Construction Association to start it. The members in it are:

- The Canadian Chamber of Commerce
- The Canadian Construction Association
- The Canadian Labour Congress
- The Canadian Legion (veterans)
- The Canadian Manufacturers' Association
- The Confederation of National Trade Unions
- The Engineering Institute of Canada
- The National House Builders' Association
- The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada

The Federal Department of Labour, the National Research Council and Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation (a Federal agency administering the National Housing Act) have acted as associate members.

In recent times, the Federal Department of Manpower and Immigration has participated, following the transfer to it of the administration of the municipal winter works incentive program.

I might mention at this point that the migration of workers comes under the Department of Manpower and Immigration and that is one reason they were called in on this because in winter there is some migration of workers.

The national joint committee's functions are listed here and I don't think I need to go into them. It is all detailed there.

The national joint committee early decided that the two main factors discouraging many owners from having their construction work carried out in the winter months were the outdated fears that it would be of inferior quality and of excessive cost.

In addition, tradition led many owners to schedule their construction projects for the so-called building season and many had never been called upon to give serious consideration to wintertime construction.

So that now in our annual statement we come out very strongly for winter construction as being good and you can read how we say it.

Similarly, a little leaflet on winter construction has been distributed by the national committee and a promotional campaign through speeches, magazine articles, briefs, and convention papers.

On the bottom of page 11 there is an interesting copy of an editorial in the Royal Architectural Journal of 1961. We included this here because in so many cases architects have been fearful about the quality of winter construction and this is the head of the Royal Architectural Institute who put this letter out coming out very, very strongly in favor of winter construction saying that there is no reason why we shouldn't have it and architects should do their part in seeing that owners didn't shy away from winter construction.

At the bottom of page 12 we have the economics of winter construction.

What about the cost of wintertime construction? Governments may be expected to schedule public works in the winter for sociological et cetera reasons, but how about private investors? It is difficult to be definitive on this subject, but generally speaking all of the evidence points to the financial benefit to the owner of proceeding with his project in the wintertime, rather than waiting until next spring.