

1 B-114. Construct New Warehouse, Port Saunders, \$430,900

2 Q. Please provide a listing of the options, including the leasing of space, that
3 were investigated in determining a solution to the problem of inadequate
4 space.

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7 A. The options that were investigated in determining the solutions to inadequate
8 warehouse space in Port Saunders were: leasing; extending the existing
9 building; using existing space at St. Anthony; and new building construction.

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11 The leasing option was ruled out immediately because there were no such
12 facilities available. The prime concern for this warehouse space is that it be
13 located at the operational center so that work crews can obtain materials and
14 supplies at their point of dispatch for the work. Extending the existing
15 building was ruled out for a variety of reasons relating to foundations, ground
16 water problems, water supplies, site layout, workflow patterns, and helicopter
17 landing clearances. Reuse of existing space at St. Anthony was ruled out
18 because of its remoteness from the operational center and the difficulties it
19 would cause in efficiently supplying the crews with the materials.

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21 Construction of a new warehouse on the Port Saunders site will provide the
22 greatest benefits for materials handling for the crews operating out of Port
23 Saunders and for materials being transshipped to the remote sites in
24 Southern Labrador.