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- [1] The basis of the applicants' motion for an interlocutory injunction is that the two Board members who conducted an investigation and prepared a report to be submitted to the Board acquired information and heard submissions in the absence of the other. The applicants characterize this as a breach of natural justice because neither party can know what the other Board member heard in their absence and therefore are unable to know the case they have to meet.
- [2] The flaw in the applicants' argument is that the evidence which is to be put before the Board is the report itself. Both parties will receive a copy of the report and will be offered the opportunity to make whatever arguments they deem appropriate as to its reception or its probative value. I

surmise that the applicants' real fear is that the Board members who conducted the investigation will not limit themselves to the information contained in the report in conducting their deliberations. That question is not before me though I note that the Board has left the matter of the members'

status open for further submissions.

[3] In the end result, I find that there is no serious issue raised by the underlying application for judicial review. I would add that, as the jurisprudence of this Court has repeatedly made clear, motions of this nature are premature and will only be entertained in the most extraordinary circumstances, which is not the case here.

[4] The motion will be dismissed with costs.

"J.D. Denis Pelletier"

J.A.

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