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3 JUDGE McGUIRE: This hearing is now in order.
4 Counsel, good morning.

5 MR. STONE: Good morning, Your Honor.

6 JUDGE McGUIRE: Any housekeeping items this
7 morning before we begin?

8 MR. OLIVER: No, Your Honor.

9 JUDGE McGUIRE: If not, then at this time
10 complaint counsel may call its next witness.

11 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Your Honor. Complaint
12 counsel call Joe Macri.

13 JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Macri, would you please
14 approach the Bench and be sworn by the court reporter.
15 Whereupon--

16 JOE MACRI

17 a witness, called for examination, having been first
18 duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

D I R E C T E X A M I N A T I O N

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20 BY MR. DAVIS:

21 Q. Please state your name for the record.

22 A. Joe Macri.

23 Q. And where are you currently employed?

24 A. ATI.

25 Q. And what's your title there?

1 A. Director of engineering.

2 Q. Before we get into the detail on your work at
3 ATI, let's get a little more background. Where did you
4 go to college?

5 A. Worcester Polytech.

6 Q. What degree did you receive?

7 A. Bachelor's in electrical engineering.

8 Q. When did you graduate?

9 A. In 1986.

10 Q. What was your first job after you graduated?

11 A. Working at Digital Equipment Corporation
12 designing large ECL mainframe computers.

13 Q. I'm sorry, designing?

14 A. Large ECL mainframe computers.

15 Q. What is ECL?

16 A. Emitter coupled logic.

17 Q. And how long did you do that?

18 A. I worked in that group for about six years.

19 Q. And what did you do next?

20 A. Next, I worked on a research project dealing a
21 gallium arsenide alpha microprocessor.

22 Q. What's gallium arsenide?

23 A. It's the material that you would make the
24 substrate out of, the base material for the device, for
25 the microprocessor device. Typically silicon is used,

1 but gallium is in some situations a faster material.

2 Q. And how long were you doing that?

3 A. Approximately one year.

4 Q. And what did you do next?

5 A. Next I worked in the Advanced Development Group
6 in Huntington, Massachusetts designing CMOS alpha
7 microprocessors.

8 Q. And how long were you doing that?

9 A. About two years, two and a half years.

10 Q. Okay. What were you doing -- you said you were
11 designing CMOS --

12 A. Alpha microprocessors. I was in charge of
13 doing architecture development, performance modeling,
14 some logic design.

15 Q. And this is also at Digital?

16 A. Yes, this is also at Digital Equipment Corp.

17 Q. And what did you do next?

18 A. Next I helped start an office in Silicon
19 Valley. It was the Palo Alto Design Center, and we
20 were in charge of doing low-power alpha microprocessor
21 designs.

22 Q. And what were you doing there yourself?

23 A. There I was in charge of the performance
24 modeling and researching, you know, the base
25 architecture of the microprocessors that we'd be

1 designing.

2 Q. Now, when did you leave Digital?

3 A. It was approximately 1994.

4 Q. Was this after moving to the Palo Alto Design
5 Group?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Okay. And where did you go after leaving
8 Digital?

9 A. Went to Silicon Graphics.

10 Q. And what were you doing there?

11 A. There I was working on a high-speed MIPS
12 microprocessor. It's a different architecture than the
13 alpha microprocessors.

14 Q. And when you say "working on," what were you
15 doing?

16 A. Again, I was doing -- I was in charge of the
17 external interfacing for the cache and memory
18 subsystem.

19 Q. Okay. And when you were there, what was
20 Silicon Graphics' line of business?

21 A. It was, you know, large graphics systems,
22 visual processors, as well as microprocessor design and
23 large service systems and workstations.

24 Q. And how long were you at Silicon Graphics?

25 A. Approximately three and a half to four years.

1 Q. And when did you leave Silicon Graphics?

2 A. It was 1998.

3 Q. And why did you leave Silicon Graphics?

4 A. I left -- the MIPS division was being spun off,
5 and I decided I wanted to pursue a different -- you
6 know, a different career option.

7 Q. And what was that career option?

8 A. I helped start a company called ArtX.

9 Q. And what was ArtX?

10 A. ArtX was a startup that focused on doing the
11 Nintendo Game Cube design for Nintendo as well as
12 integrated north bridge, which is the hub of a PC.

13 Q. And what were you doing at ArtX?

14 A. There I did -- I was in charge of all the
15 external interfaces, circuit design, analyzing buses
16 from a signal integrity and timing point of view, as
17 well as scan insertion and scan methodology, the
18 testing of our devices.

19 Q. And when did you leave ArtX?

20 A. ArtX was purchased by ATI in 2000 -- in 2000.

21 Q. Okay. So, at that point you joined ATI?

22 A. Yeah, joined ATI de facto. While I was at
23 ArtX, I was also in charge of interfacing with other
24 memory companies.

25 Q. Now, what is ATI's line of business?

1 A. ATI's line of business is primarily graphics
2 design for the PCs, personal computers, as well as
3 set-top boxes, handheld PDAs, but mainly in the area of
4 visual -- visualization.

5 Q. And when did ATI purchase ArtX?

6 A. It was 2000, first quarter of 2000.

7 Q. Okay. Now, what are your -- well, first of
8 all, what were your main responsibilities at ATI when
9 you started there?

10 A. I was in charge of the circuit -- circuit team
11 at Silicon Valley. Their task is doing high-speed
12 interfaces, both in the analog and digital area, and
13 analyzing buses and timing of those buses.

14 I'm also in charge of the relationships with
15 our -- with the DRAM vendors and a general resource for
16 the company in terms of memory system design as well
17 as, you know, providing design and -- circuit design.

18 Q. When you say you're in charge of the
19 relationship with the DRAM vendors, what does that
20 mean?

21 A. Well, memory is extremely important to a
22 graphics system, so we work very closely with the
23 memory vendors on understanding their current
24 technologies, understanding their future plans and
25 working with them to make sure that they line up with

1 our products. So, I'm in charge essentially of
2 interfacing on a technical side and providing some
3 insight on the business side.

4 Q. What kind of technical information do you
5 discuss with the DRAM manufacturers?

6 A. Oh, it's pretty much all aspects of the memory
7 interface, things that would affect the DRAM core, the
8 interfaces to the DRAM, issues for our interface on our
9 ASICs, the bus topologies, pretty much everything to do
10 with the memory system.

11 Q. Do you talk about DRAM costs with the DRAM
12 manufacturers?

13 A. Yes, yes, that's very critical.

14 Q. And could you describe the discussion that you
15 had with the DRAM manufacturers about cost?

16 A. Cost, very often we're measuring the impact to
17 the area of the silicon, you know, how much larger the
18 die area would grow, the DRAM device would grow or our
19 ASIC would grow in order to interface to a particular
20 DRAM. So, very often we're doing trade-offs of
21 particular concepts to see which would be more
22 expensive, so price/performance analysis.

23 Also, the physical packaging of those devices
24 impacts cost dramatically, and so we spent a lot of
25 time studying, you know, what our decisions will do in

1 terms of impacting that package cost.

2 In addition, we take a look at the test
3 methodology and test costs associated with new concepts
4 and old concepts. We're always trying to simplify,
5 reduce costs, you know, essentially get the most we can
6 for any given dollar.

7 Q. Now, have you ever participated in the design
8 of a DRAM?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And what have you -- when was the first time
11 you were participating in that?

12 A. That would have been in the JEDEC committee on
13 the DDR1 SDRAM.

14 Q. Could you give me some examples of DRAMs whose
15 design you participated in?

16 A. The DDR1 SDRAM, the DDR2 SDRAM, GDDR2, GDDR2M,
17 GDDR3.

18 Q. Now, when you say you participated in the
19 design of the DRAM, what are you understanding that to
20 mean?

21 A. The majority of the work is going on on the
22 interface, so how you would actually talk to a DRAM.
23 We do get into the core, but it's the major core
24 attributes, like the number of banks that would be in a
25 core, the random accessibility of the core, and some

1 major attributes in the core, but the majority of the
2 work is by far on the interface.

3 Q. Now, you were talking about the core. What do
4 you mean by the "core"?

5 A. The core is the array of cells that, you know,
6 hold the actual bits of data. That's what we would
7 call the core. The interface is what really talks to
8 the outside world off the DRAM.

9 Q. And you said you were focused more on the
10 interface than on the core?

11 A. Yes, more on the interface than the core.

12 Q. Okay. You mentioned GDDR2M. What is GDDR2M?

13 A. GDDR2M is a -- it's a variant of the DDR2. We
14 took the DDR2 design and created a new DRAM that would
15 be more applicable for mobile computing, you know, very
16 low-power DRAM.

17 Q. And what did you do with respect to design of
18 that DRAM?

19 A. Well, we focused mainly in two areas, the
20 termination method, so the -- that's the method that
21 you'd actually -- in order to receive signals, you must
22 provide some level of termination. So, we modified
23 that to be much lower power.

24 And we also came up with an architectural
25 enhancement to minimize the number of bits that would

1 change on any given cycle, and that can also reduce
2 power, because essentially if things don't change, they
3 don't really use power.

4 Q. And I'm sorry, when you were saying "we," who
5 were you referring to?

6 A. It was myself, engineers at ATI, and we
7 partnered with a Japanese company called Elpida.

8 Q. How is the DRAM different from DDR2?

9 A. It's different in the area of termination, DDR2
10 uses a much higher power termination method. And it's
11 different in the area of -- essentially a DDR2 device,
12 every cycle, all of its data bits may change, and a
13 DDR2M device, we use an encoding method to essentially
14 only allow half those bits to change. So, we get a big
15 power savings there.

16 We also did some minor modification -- you
17 know, froze some core attributes, such as burst size
18 and -- and let's see, we also froze the CAS, the CAS
19 latency.

20 Q. When you say you froze, what does that mean?

21 A. They were fixed, fixed length.

22 Q. Okay. Now, in designing that DRAM, the GDDR2M,
23 were you concerned about the cost of that DRAM?

24 A. Oh, yes, that was very critical in the design.

25 Q. And what did you understand to be the important

1 factors in determining DDR cost?

2 A. Well, the two areas we focus on are die size
3 and package.

4 Q. Okay. And did the changes that you proposed
5 for the DRAM make it more or less expensive to make
6 than GDDR2?

7 A. It was less expensive from a die area point of
8 view. Package was approximately the same.

9 Q. Now, does ATI use GDDR2 in its products today?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And does ATI use GDDR2M in its products today?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Now, you also mentioned GDDR3. What is GDDR3?

14 A. GDDR3 is a device that's evolved from GDDR2, so
15 it's a natural evolution, you know, the next step from
16 GDDR2.

17 Q. Okay. And what did you do with respect to the
18 design of that DRAM?

19 A. We again focused on the interface, you know,
20 the termination method. We wanted -- you know, GDDR2
21 was a device that was really for desktop computing
22 only. We wanted to reduce the power of it so we could
23 also target mobile computing but hit the same level or
24 higher levels of performance, actually significantly
25 higher levels of performance.

1 Q. And what was your involvement in that project?

2 A. My involvement was I was really the -- you
3 know, the focal point to bring together, you know,
4 largely the DRAM vendors to participate in the design
5 of that DRAM.

6 Q. Okay. Did you have any design responsibilities
7 with respect to that DRAM?

8 A. Yes, I was in charge of the majority of the
9 interface changes. They were mostly ideas that came
10 out of myself or my team.

11 Q. And when you were designing the DRAM, were
12 there DRAM manufacturers involved in that project?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Was this the same as the GDDR2, there was only
15 one DRAM manufacturer involved?

16 A. No, there were many. All the major companies
17 participated, Samsung, Micron, Elpida, Hynix, as well
18 as Taiwanese vendors, such as Nanya, Winbond, Etron.

19 Q. In designing that DRAM, were you concerned with
20 the cost of that DRAM?

21 A. Yes, it was very critical.

22 Q. And what were the factors that you considered?

23 A. Again, it was in the areas of die area, that's
24 always the dominant cost, and then, you know, the
25 packaging of that DRAM.

1 Q. Okay. Now, when did you first hear of JEDEC?

2 A. That must have been 1997.

3 Q. And how did you come to hear of JEDEC?

4 A. I was working on an SRAM, call it the DDR SRAM,
5 the DDR1 SRAM and a DDR2 SRAM, and I was visiting a
6 company in Japan by the name of Fujitsu, and during --
7 at some point in the meeting, they disclosed the DDR
8 DRAM that was being discussed in JEDEC, and that was
9 the first time I had heard of it.

10 Q. And what was your involvement in JEDEC in
11 '97-'98?

12 A. Well, I attended the first -- you know,
13 basically as an engineer, when you hear of some
14 concepts that you don't agree with, you always think
15 you could do better, and so we decided to go to a JEDEC
16 meeting and explain to them some of the ways we thought
17 the device could be made better.

18 JUDGE McGUIRE: Who is "we"?

19 THE WITNESS: Myself and another engineer from
20 Silicon Graphics.

21 BY MR. DAVIS:

22 Q. What was the name of the other engineer?

23 A. Marty Deneroff.

24 Q. Now, what's the period in which you've been
25 involved in JEDEC?

1 A. I started at that first meeting in '97. It was
2 the fall of '97.

3 Q. And you have been involved in JEDEC since that
4 time?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. What committees of JEDEC have you attended?

7 A. Predominantly the JC-42.3 committees, JC-42.5,
8 JC-16.1 and .2, and I've attended one or two meetings
9 in JC-40.

10 Q. Okay. Now, have you ever been a -- had a
11 chairman or vice-chairman position at JEDEC?

12 A. Yes, I was chairman of the Future DRAM Task
13 Group, and I am currently the chair of JC-42.3, which
14 is the DRAM committee.

15 Q. Okay. Now, you mentioned the Future DRAM Task
16 Group. What was the Future DRAM Task Group?

17 A. That was a group that was formed in 1998, I
18 believe March of 1998, to focus on the next generation
19 standard DRAM after DDR out of JEDEC.

20 Q. And you said -- I'm sorry, what was the focus
21 of the Future DRAM Task Group?

22 A. To come up with the next standard DRAM after
23 DDR that JEDEC was going to -- going to work on.

24 Q. And this was in 1998?

25 A. This was in 1998.

1 Q. I'd like to show you what's been marked for
2 identification as CX-398. So, Joe, if you look in that
3 pile there, 398 should be in there.

4 A. They're not in order.

5 Q. The numbers are at the bottom of the document.

6 A. I see CX-128 is the top document. Would this
7 be CX --

8 Q. No, no, it will say CX-398. It's --

9 A. 398, okay.

10 MR. OLIVER: Your Honor, could I approach the
11 witness?

12 JUDGE MCGUIRE: Sure, go ahead.

13 THE WITNESS: Oh, I see it, it's down here.

14 Okay.

15 BY MR. DAVIS:

16 Q. Do you have CX-398?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Do you recognize this email?

19 A. Please give me one moment.

20 Q. Sure.

21 A. (Document review.) Yes, I recognize the
22 document.

23 Q. Okay. I'd like you to turn to the second page
24 of the document and particularly your email in the
25 middle of that page.

1 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, just so I'm clear on
2 what we're talking about here, Mr. Davis, can you tell
3 me what this is for the record before we go into the
4 contents so I'll know when I go through this transcript
5 what it is that this email purports to show?

6 MR. DAVIS: Okay. Well, my questions will
7 relate to the email starting on the second page of the
8 document. That's what I was going to ask him about.

9 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay. Well, all I'm asking you
10 to do is lay a foundation as to who this email is from,
11 who it's to and the subject.

12 MR. DAVIS: Okay, okay.

13 BY MR. DAVIS:

14 Q. Mr. Macri, do you recognize the email in the
15 middle of the page there?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And who is that email from?

18 A. It's from myself.

19 Q. And who were you sending that email to?

20 A. To Jim Townsend.

21 Q. And why were you sending that email?

22 A. I was sending that email due to some concerns I
23 had concerning concepts that would be developed in the
24 Future DRAM Task Group, and they were in the areas of
25 ownership of patents, and you know, and Jim was someone

1 of a -- kind of a leader of -- you know, an original
2 founder of JEDEC, and so he would be an ideal person to
3 bounce these ideas off of.

4 Q. So, you sent that email to Jim Townsend because
5 of his position at JEDEC?

6 A. Yes, to ask advice in this area.

7 Q. Okay.

8 JUDGE McGUIRE: What's the date of the email,
9 for the record?

10 MR. DAVIS: I'm sorry.

11 BY MR. DAVIS:

12 Q. And could you tell me the date of the email,
13 please?

14 A. May 25th, 1999.

15 JUDGE McGUIRE: Thank you.

16 BY MR. DAVIS:

17 Q. Now, in this email you state, "I am a bit
18 unsure how to approach this whole patent issue. We
19 will have a few concepts that could be patented but who
20 will end up owning the patent and paying for the
21 process? It would be best if JEDEC owned all the DDR2
22 patents and then gave them away to all the world for
23 free. Could we do this?"

24 Why did you think it would be best if JEDEC
25 owned all the DDR2 patents and gave them away to all

1 the world for free?

2 A. Well, we -- you know, our goal was to create an
3 open standard, and it's very critical in an open
4 standard that it becomes widely adapted. Obviously
5 costs that would be related to IP in that standard
6 could prevent the wide adoption of it. So, you know,
7 one thought I had was if JEDEC would own all of the
8 patents and they would be given away to the world for
9 free, that would eliminate a barrier for the wide
10 adoption of the DDR2 standard.

11 MR. DAVIS: I would like to move CX-398 into
12 evidence.

13 JUDGE McGUIRE: Objection?

14 MR. STONE: No objection, Your Honor.

15 JUDGE McGUIRE: Entered.

16 (CX Exhibit Number 398 was admitted into
17 evidence.)

18 BY MR. DAVIS:

19 Q. Now, I would like to show you what's been
20 marked for identification as RX-2234. You should find
21 it in your pile there.

22 The very last document in the pile.

23 JUDGE McGUIRE: It always is.

24 BY MR. DAVIS:

25 Q. Have you found the document?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Could you describe what this document is?

3 A. This is a presentation I gave at the Platform
4 '99 Conference.

5 Q. And did you write this document?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And when did you write this document?

8 A. Let's see, probably the night before I gave
9 this talk.

10 Q. And about when did you give this talk?

11 A. It was in 1999.

12 Q. Okay. And what was this presentation about?

13 A. This presentation was, you know, kind of a
14 description of where we were in defining the DDR2
15 device. I wanted to give -- you know, the Platform
16 Conference was a public conference, and this was an
17 opportunity to describe to the world, you know, what we
18 were up to.

19 Q. Could you describe what a Platform Conference
20 is?

21 A. This was a conference that was created by a man
22 by the name of Burt McComis to provide an open forum
23 that, you know, where companies could come and present
24 concepts relating to personal computers.

25 Q. Okay. Could you turn to page 14 of the

1 document?

2 Did you make this figure?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. What did you intend this figure to describe?

5 A. This figure was my personal view of what the
6 standards process entailed.

7 Q. Could you describe how this describes the --
8 how the standards process works?

9 A. Well, basically we start out with what we call
10 a task group, which is a collection of people that
11 would get together within JEDEC to start a definition
12 of a device. The goal of the task group is to create a
13 standard. In order to create a standard in JEDEC, you
14 must write ballots, and those ballots need to be voted
15 on. And so that's what's labeled as the ballot
16 process, the creation of those ballots and the actual
17 voting procedures.

18 Now, it's not a closed-loop system. We
19 actually have this, you know, large oval that's called
20 system implementation, and that goes outside of that
21 dotted box. The dotted box is intended to show what
22 happens within JEDEC versus what appears outside of
23 JEDEC. So, the -- you know, the -- we're taking
24 feedback in from the outside world as well as from
25 within JEDEC, constantly refining the ballots and the

1 concepts until eventually a standard is produced, and
2 then people go off and build systems based on that
3 standard.

4 Q. Okay. So, when you say the system
5 implementation in that large oval, what does that refer
6 to?

7 A. That refers to the actual use of the device,
8 the DRAM device, in a larger system. A DRAM alone
9 doesn't really do anything. It needs to talk to other
10 things, and there's a vast array of, you know, system
11 types, from like a personal computer to a digital
12 television, they all use the DRAM a bit differently.

13 And so the system implementation process is
14 essentially users of the DRAM using the device, finding
15 issues with the standard, and then feeding that data
16 back into JEDEC so we can refine the standard to
17 satisfy, you know, a wide array of things for the DRAM.

18 MR. DAVIS: I would move RX-2234 into evidence.

19 MR. STONE: No objection.

20 JUDGE McGUIRE: So entered.

21 (RX Number 2234 was admitted into evidence.)

22 BY MR. DAVIS:

23 Q. I'd like to show you what's been marked for
24 identification as CX-376A. Do you recognize this
25 email?

1 A. Please give me one moment. (Document review.)

2 Yes.

3 Q. And what's the -- who is this email from?

4 A. This email is from myself.

5 Q. And who were you sending this email to?

6 A. To the task group, the Future DRAM Task Group.

7 Q. So, this large list of people here next to the
8 "To" line, that was the Future DRAM Task Group?

9 A. Yes, that was the email list.

10 Q. And the date of this email?

11 A. Is 3/18/1998.

12 Q. And what was this email about?

13 A. Well, it was -- the main subject matter of the
14 email was to, you know, announce, you know, really the
15 start of the task group and a set of goals, initial
16 goals, mission statement, method outline, and also
17 informing the group that, you know, I had left Silicon
18 Graphics and had joined ArtX.

19 Q. So, that's in the first paragraph?

20 A. That's in the first paragraph, but the main --
21 the meat of this email was really the other stuff that
22 I mentioned.

23 Q. If you turn to page 2 of CX-376A, there's that
24 mission statement you were referring to, and it says,
25 "Define and develop a long term roadmap detailing the

1 logical, physical and electrical interfaces for future
2 DRAMs. In addition the group is tasked with providing
3 the initial specification for each device specified on
4 the roadmap."

5 Could you tell me what the differences between
6 logical, physical and electrical interfaces are? What
7 do those terms mean?

8 A. Okay, an electrical interface would be, for
9 example, the number of volts that a signal would
10 represent on a wire. So, it's literally the, you know,
11 the voltage, the currents, you know, those electrical
12 attributes of the signaling interface.

13 The logical interface is, for example, you
14 know, that we would have a RAS signal to latch to a row
15 address, so it's functional, very functional on how --
16 on the description of that interface. The encodings of
17 a command, for example, would be part of the logical
18 interface.

19 The physical interface is literally the number
20 of pins, you know, how you would actually connect it
21 down to a circuit board, so physically how you would
22 interface to that -- to that DRAM.

23 Q. Now, in the last sentence of the mission
24 statement, you refer to a written specification for
25 each device. What is a specification?

1 A. A specification is a document -- you know, a
2 very detailed document, goes into absolutely all of the
3 details needed to understand the device and use the
4 device in a real system. So, it's -- would include
5 everything, all the electrical characteristics, as well
6 as the physical and logical characteristics.

7 Q. Does the specification relate to other parts of
8 the DRAM system as well besides the DRAM?

9 A. At times it does, but just as background
10 information. I mean, the specification is really
11 focusing on the device alone, not so much how you would
12 go and use the device.

13 Q. Okay. Now, under Initial Goals in the middle
14 of the page -- do you see that, where it says "Initial
15 Goals"?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. You list a presentation of initial roadmap at
18 6/98 and then a strawman specification in 9/98.

19 What is a strawman specification?

20 A. A strawman specification would be a first --
21 you know, a first attempt at a specification, you know,
22 all of the detail wouldn't be outlined, but it would
23 provide, you know, enough logical detail and some
24 electrical detail so you can understand what the device
25 would be.

1 Q. Okay. And next you describe an agenda for
2 April 16th, 1998. What was this agenda for?

3 A. This was for the first meeting of the Future
4 DRAM Task Group.

5 MR. DAVIS: I'd like to move CX-376A into
6 evidence.

7 MR. STONE: Your Honor, Exhibit CX-376 is
8 already in evidence, so I'm not sure whether this is
9 meant to replace 376 or to be in addition to it. I
10 believe they have the same production numbers on the
11 pages between 376 and 376A.

12 My understanding of the difference is, but I
13 could be incorrect, is that when Hynix originally
14 produced the document, their email search engine, which
15 was searching for words in email, resulted in whatever
16 words they were searching for being blacked out in the
17 one that was produced and that this has eliminated the
18 black-outs. I could be wrong, but that's what I think.

19 So, I thought maybe it makes sense to simply
20 move this into evidence in replacement of 376, which I
21 don't know that we need two copies of the same
22 document.

23 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Mr. Davis?

24 MR. DAVIS: I have no objection.

25 JUDGE McGUIRE: Then how is it going to be

1 entered? It's CX -- I'm sorry, it's CX-376?

2 MR. DAVIS: Yes.

3 JUDGE McGUIRE: And that's going to be entered
4 in lieu of the previous exhibit?

5 MR. STONE: I think since this one is marked A,
6 Your Honor, we should simply move in 376A to replace
7 376, which then we don't -- we won't need to refer to
8 376 hereafter.

9 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, Mr. Davis, is that all
10 right with you?

11 MR. STONE: That's fine.

12 JUDGE McGUIRE: So entered.

13 (CX Exhibit Number 376A was admitted into
14 evidence.)

15 JUDGE McGUIRE: Thank you, Mr. Stone.

16 BY MR. DAVIS:

17 Q. Now I'd like to show you what's been marked for
18 identification as CX-378. Have you seen this email
19 before?

20 A. Just give me one more moment to finish it.

21 (Document review.) Yes, I've seen this.

22 Q. Now, who is the top email from?

23 A. The top email is from Desi Rhoden.

24 Q. And who is it to?

25 A. Myself as well as what could be described as

1 the JEDEC chairs and leadership at the time of this
2 email.

3 Q. And what was the date of his email to you?

4 A. It was 4/8/1998.

5 Q. Okay. Do you have an understanding of why Desi
6 Rhoden was sending you this email?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And what's your understanding?

9 A. He was informing me of the rules regarding
10 inviting nonmembers to participate in the Future DRAM
11 Task Group.

12 Q. And if you look right below his email,
13 there's -- it looks like another email. Do you see
14 that?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And who is that email from?

17 A. Myself.

18 Q. Was Mr. Rhoden responding to your email to him?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Now --

21 A. Not only to him, but to Jim as well as Ken.

22 Q. Jim being Jim Townsend?

23 A. Jim Townsend and Ken McGhee.

24 Q. Now, in your email to, among other people, Desi
25 Rhoden, you state, "It is my opinion we should get as

1 many parties to come as possible."

2 What are you referring to there?

3 A. To come to the Future DRAM Task Group.

4 Q. And you say, "So I encourage you all to invite
5 those that you deem appropriate. I am not fully aware
6 of all the rules surrounding JEDEC but I hope that the
7 rules would allow non-members to come as guests."

8 Why did you want as many members -- as many
9 parties to come as possible?

10 A. Well, our goal was to create a broad enough
11 standard to be used by as many people as possible in
12 the world, so it made sense that if that was our goal,
13 we would have as many people attend the meeting from as
14 many different, you know, applications of DRAMs as well
15 as builders of DRAMs, everything surrounding DRAM, so
16 that the final standard would have, you know, the
17 consensus of the world, so that it would become widely
18 adopted and used throughout the world.

19 MR. DAVIS: I'd like to move 378 into evidence.

20 MR. STONE: No objection.

21 JUDGE McGUIRE: Entered.

22 (CX Exhibit Number 378 was admitted into
23 evidence.)

24 BY MR. DAVIS:

25 Q. Now, Mr. Macri, have you created a document

1 that describes the DDR2 history?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And do you have that in front of you?

4 A. Yes, I do.

5 Q. Okay, that is -- I think we notified --

6 Your Honor, may I approach?

7 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.

8 MR. DAVIS: Your Honor, I would like to use
9 this as a demonstrative.

10 JUDGE McGUIRE: What is that, DX-46?

11 MR. STONE: I believe you're right, this will
12 be 46.

13 JUDGE McGUIRE: It will be 47?

14 MR. STONE: I believe this will be 46, Your
15 Honor.

16 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, 46. That's what I was
17 thinking. If it's not, we will change it later. Okay,
18 DX-46.

19 (DX Exhibit Number 46 was marked for
20 identification.)

21 BY MR. DAVIS:

22 Q. Mr. Macri, could you describe what DX-46 is?

23 A. Yes, this is a presentation that I created for
24 the JEDEC conference in San Jose describing essentially
25 the history of what the task group went through as we

1 were creating DDR2, the DDR2 standard.

2 Q. Okay. Since we're talking about the history,
3 would you turn to the fourth page into the document.
4 Could you describe what that is?

5 A. Okay, this is a chart that's showing in the
6 vertical axis essentially change. So, when there's --
7 when the line is -- you know, when the line is slanted,
8 that means there's architectural change. There's
9 actual changes to the DRAM going on.

10 The horizontal axis is time, so to the left is
11 earlier in time and to the right is later in time. So,
12 it's change in time. So -- yeah, that's essentially,
13 you know --

14 Q. Okay. Could you describe the work that was
15 done between April 1998 and June of 2000?

16 A. Okay, so this was the initial set of
17 discussions on the DDR2 standard. This is where we set
18 down a lot of the -- you know, the basics for the DRAM
19 standard, a lot of its attributes, its architectural
20 attributes, and you know, much discussion went on,
21 things came in, things came out, but by June 2000, we,
22 you know, we had hit a -- kind of a stable point.

23 Q. Okay. And so what was going on at the Future
24 DRAM Task Group between June of 2000 and June of 2001?

25 A. Well, once you have kind of a -- you know, a

1 list of attributes, major attributes, to create a, you
2 know, a real standard which is in the end a
3 specification, you must add an infinite amount of
4 detail to those attributes. So, this was -- during
5 June of 2000 to June of 2001, we were adding the meat,
6 you know, the real description that an engineer would
7 need to truly understand these -- these concepts.

8 Q. Now, between June of 2001 and September of
9 2001, as I'm reading this, it seems like there were
10 some architectural changes that happened to the DDR2
11 standard as well?

12 A. Yes, there were presentations by Intel, the ADT
13 Group, and AMD that convinced the standards committee
14 that some changes were needed for the DRAM, and we
15 executed on those changes.

16 Q. Okay. Now, by June of 2001, did you have any
17 understanding of whether companies outside of JEDEC
18 were working on products that used DDR2?

19 A. Yes, there were companies working on products.

20 Q. And how did you know that?

21 A. Well, it was part of the -- you know, part of
22 my role within the task group, you know, I would work
23 with many companies to give them insight into this
24 standard, and therefore, you know, I became aware of a
25 lot of the development that was happening around the

1 DRAM, you know, systems using that DRAM.

2 Q. Now, the changes that occurred in -- the
3 architectural changes between June of 2001 and
4 September of 2001, did they affect the work that was
5 going on inside of JEDEC at those companies?

6 A. No, not really, because the changes we put in
7 were changes that could be turned on or off. So,
8 designs that were already in flight, they didn't need
9 to be started over or be, you know, changed in any
10 significant way. So, these were really changes that
11 were made -- they were made consciously not to cause
12 damage to the development that had already started.

13 Q. And why was that important?

14 A. Well, you know, many -- some systems take a
15 very long time to design, and it's really important
16 that, you know, we provide stability to the designers.
17 If we were to make a change that would cause them to go
18 back and essentially tear up their design, we would be
19 forcing companies to incur great expense, enormous
20 expense, not only on the design period but also on
21 their product lines.

22 Time to market is extremely critical in this
23 world. You could really devastate a company, even a
24 large company. You could cause such an economic impact
25 to it that, you know, it's possible they may not

1 recover.

2 MR. STONE: Your Honor, I move to strike the
3 last two sentences of the witness' answer on the
4 grounds that he lacks foundation to express opinions
5 about what causes companies to go out of business or
6 not, at least if he has that personal experience in
7 that area, it's not part of the foundation that has
8 been laid.

9 MR. DAVIS: He has been working at a number of
10 companies for a while, including a startup that -- that
11 dealt with this sort of a risk.

12 JUDGE McGUIRE: I'll let it in and then I'll
13 give it its due weight. Overruled.

14 MR. STONE: Thank you, Your Honor.

15 BY MR. DAVIS:

16 Q. Now, you explained that the new -- the
17 architectural changes that occurred between June of
18 2001 and September of 2001 related to presentations
19 made by I think you said Intel and ADT and AMD?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And why were those changes made to the
22 standard?

23 A. They justified that with performance
24 improvement, and the committee, you know, came up with
25 a set of changes that would allow those performance

1 improvements to be realized but in a way that wouldn't,
2 you know, destroy the development that was already
3 started. So, that's how they got justified.

4 Q. Did you understand that those changes would
5 lead to performance improvements in the standard?

6 A. Yes, I was convinced.

7 Q. Okay. I'd like to show you what's been marked
8 for identification as CX-128. Do you recognize this
9 document?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And could you describe what this document is?

12 A. This document is the -- a compilation of the
13 presentations at the first Future DRAM Task Group
14 meeting. I'm not sure if it's a complete compilation.
15 My memory is not that good. I didn't go through every
16 page in great detail.

17 Then at the end, it looks like there's an email
18 from myself to the Future DRAM Task Group outlining
19 the -- I have to say it looks like there's a random
20 page stuck in the middle. The second to the last pages
21 overlap.

22 Q. CX-128, page 48 is what you're referring to?

23 A. Yes, it's -- I don't know what it is, but that
24 page after that is a continuation of that agenda.

25 Q. Okay. Is the -- are the minutes of this

1 meeting, the April 16th, 1998 Future DRAM Task Group
2 meeting, are they included in this document?

3 A. I do not see the actual meeting minutes. I see
4 the meeting agenda, and I see all the presentations. I
5 don't see a copy of -- you know, a detailed copy of the
6 minutes.

7 Q. Okay, but the presentations are the
8 presentations that were given at the Future DRAM Task
9 Group meeting?

10 A. Yes. I'm not sure if this is all of them, but
11 these are presentations that were given at the meeting.

12 Q. Okay.

13 I'd move to admit CX-128.

14 MR. STONE: Your Honor, I just -- I'm confused,
15 because there's a part of the document dated May of
16 '98, which is page 7 and maybe some of the pages
17 following, so I'm just concerned whether the document
18 is a complete set of materials as the witness described
19 them, presentations in April. So, I just wonder if the
20 description of the document is consistent with the
21 contents.

22 I don't object to the admission of it, but I do
23 think there might be a question as to whether the
24 document has some --

25 JUDGE McGUIRE: Is complete?

1 MR. STONE: -- extraneous pages in it.

2 JUDGE McGUIRE: Do you want to comment on that,
3 Mr. Davis?

4 MR. DAVIS: Well, I'll ask Mr. Macri about the
5 presentations.

6 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right.

7 BY MR. DAVIS:

8 Q. If you turn to CX-128, page 7, this is a
9 presentation that runs on for -- it looks like through
10 page 13.

11 A. Yeah.

12 Q. Do you have an understanding of whether that
13 presentation was given at the JEDEC Future DRAM Task
14 Group or was given sometime later?

15 A. It was given at the JEDEC Future DRAM Task
16 Group. It is stated quite clearly on the first page
17 that it was, and I do remember discussing all these
18 concepts, you know, not only -- you know, at a number
19 of meetings. These were not concepts that were just
20 discussed once.

21 Q. Do you have an understanding of why it says
22 "5-98 Santa Clara Meeting" on that?

23 A. Well, the first meeting I know was held in
24 Santa Clara at the Silicon Graphics facility. I mean,
25 it would be consistent with that meeting that we held

1 at Silicon Graphics.

2 JUDGE McGUIRE: You know, it is what it is, Mr.
3 Stone.

4 MR. STONE: It is what it is, Your Honor.

5 JUDGE McGUIRE: I will take note of your
6 statement, but otherwise, entered.

7 MR. STONE: Thank you.

8 (CX Exhibit Number 128 was admitted into
9 evidence.)

10 BY MR. DAVIS:

11 Q. Now, I'd like to show you what's been marked
12 for identification as CX-379A.

13 This is a document that was already entered as
14 CX-379, and it has the same black-out problem as the
15 earlier document. I would propose that we treat it the
16 same.

17 MR. STONE: I agree with that.

18 JUDGE McGUIRE: Is that to say, then, that it's
19 being offered at this time, Mr. Davis?

20 MR. DAVIS: No, I'll --

21 JUDGE McGUIRE: You are just showing it at this
22 time?

23 MR. DAVIS: Yes, sir.

24 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay.

25 THE WITNESS: Yes, I have the document.

1 BY MR. DAVIS:

2 Q. I'm sorry?

3 A. I have it.

4 Q. Have you looked at it?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Now, is this -- who is this email from?

7 A. It's from myself.

8 Q. And when did you send it?

9 A. 4/28/1998.

10 Q. And who were you sending it to?

11 A. I was sending it to the Future DRAM Task Group.

12 Q. Okay. And why were you sending this email to
13 the Future DRAM Task Group?

14 A. It was an email that, you know, outlined action
15 items from our -- from our meeting, as well as having a
16 copy of the meeting minutes, and at the beginning, I
17 think I was prodding some of the companies to forward
18 their presentations back to the JEDEC office.

19 Q. And when you were talking about a meeting,
20 which meeting were you referring to?

21 A. That initial meeting of the Future DRAM Task
22 Group.

23 Q. And that was the same meeting at which the
24 presentations described in the CX-128 were presented?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Okay. Do you know who wrote these notes?

2 A. Some of the notes -- well, some of this is just
3 from myself, and the meeting minutes are -- were taken
4 by -- let's see, it looks like Jim Rogers actually took
5 some notes, but I know Ken McGhee generally takes
6 the -- you know, takes the meeting minutes.

7 Q. Do you remember reviewing these minutes before
8 sending them out?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. If you could turn to page 2 of CX-379A, now, in
11 the middle of the page under Brief Meeting Summary, it
12 says, "The first JEDEC DRAM Futures Taskgroup meeting
13 was held on April 23rd. The purpose of the meeting was
14 to start the definition of a high speed DRAM type which
15 would follow DDR SDRAM."

16 Now, you stated earlier that the date of this
17 email is April 1998. Do you know if DDR SDRAM at this
18 point was being sold in volume at the time?

19 A. It was -- it was not being sold in large volume
20 at the time.

21 Q. Well, why were you and other engineers getting
22 involved in trying to define the DRAM that was going to
23 come after DDR if DDR wasn't even being sold in volume
24 at the time?

25 A. Well, the design process is long, and we needed

1 to be proactive. You know, the definition for DDR at
2 that point was pretty much complete, and so we decided
3 that we should start the -- the definition of the next
4 DRAM so we could, one, have the luxury of some time,
5 because these things -- you know, they're complicated,
6 and to actually complete a full standard and have it
7 cover a large number of markets takes quite a bit of
8 time. So, we needed to start early.

9 We also wanted to, you know, provide, you know,
10 a forum where we could bring in industry experts to
11 educate the committee so that the standard we did
12 produce would be a better standard at the end of the
13 day. So, that, again, added time.

14 The design cycle was long, so we needed to do
15 this very early so that systems could be started to be
16 designed -- DRAMs could be designed such that when the
17 DDR1 standard, you know, ended its life, the DDR2
18 standard and its systems would be ready to take over in
19 a seamless fashion. So, we -- you know, we needed to
20 be proactive purely because you can't build these
21 things in a day. It takes quite a bit of time.

22 Q. You said the design cycle was long. What did
23 you mean by the term "design cycle"?

24 A. Well, design cycle is the design cycle of the
25 systems that use a DRAM, you know, the actual ASICs,

1 the full systems that surround those ASICs, as well as
2 the DRAM itself. You know, DRAMs do take time to
3 design, so the design cycle is -- refers to all -- you
4 know, every component of the system.

5 Q. Okay. Next I'd like you to focus at the bottom
6 of the same page at the list following this statement.
7 "The following are some common themes/features of a
8 future DRAM that were generally agreed upon during the
9 meeting."

10 Do you see that?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. What's the importance of this list?

13 A. I would say, you know, the goal is, you know,
14 when you have a design task, you want to create a set
15 of boundaries so you can start focusing on more
16 specific issues. So, this would be in some ways a
17 start of a consensus list so that we could then start
18 focusing the group rather than having the group looking
19 at a pure -- you know, an infinite number of options.

20 Q. Okay. If you look at the first item, it says,
21 "Minimal to no system cost adder over PC100."

22 What does that mean?

23 A. It was a goal that we set forth to the group
24 to, you know, not make it inherently more costly to use
25 a DDR2 SDRAM than it was to use a PC-100 SDRAM. So,

1 minimal cost adder means, you know, you wouldn't
2 have -- you know, from the system point of view, the
3 system wouldn't take very much more or no more dollars
4 to build.

5 Q. Next, the next bullet states, "Must have a
6 lifetime of 3 DRAM density generations."

7 What does that mean?

8 A. A DRAM density is the number of bits in a DRAM;
9 for example, a 256-megabit DRAM, a 512-megabit DRAM.
10 DRAM density generations in some way map back to time,
11 and so three generations is typically the minimum a
12 standard would survive, and so we set that as, you
13 know, as the -- as essentially the minimum lifetime
14 goal.

15 Q. Now, you said that the DRAM density generations
16 map back to time. How long is three generations
17 approximately in calendar time?

18 A. It's approximately six years.

19 Q. And why was it important that the DRAM
20 generation have a lifetime of three DRAM density
21 generations or six years?

22 A. Well, you know, it's very costly to, you know,
23 do a large-scale development of systems, of DRAMs, and
24 so it's important that, you know, the manufacturers,
25 regardless of where you are in the -- in the chain,

1 have the ability to amortize the development costs over
2 a large number of years so there can be profit.

3 Q. Okay. Now, if you could turn to page 9 of
4 CX-379A, and I'm referring to the statement, "Which
5 architecture should the solution be based on?" That's
6 followed by a list of it looks like three different
7 DRAM types, Rambus, SLD RAM, DDR SDRAM.

8 Do you see that?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. What does that refer to?

11 A. By architecture, these Rambus, SLD RAM and DDR
12 were what we would call base architectures. They would
13 be a -- you know, a different style of device. That's
14 what base architecture means or architecture means in
15 this case.

16 Q. And what is base architecture? Why were you --
17 why was the JEDEC DRAM Future Task Group deciding about
18 a base architecture?

19 A. Well, we wanted to -- we didn't want to start
20 with a clean sheet of paper. We wanted to evolve a
21 current DRAM so we could take that user base and move
22 them as seamlessly as possible into the future. So, we
23 needed to pick the DRAM we would start with and then
24 evolve it.

25 Q. Why was it important to evolve the DRAM?

1 A. One of the most critical really design
2 attributes is backwards compatibility. What we do, we
3 don't want to change everything such that when you
4 would design a new system for this DDR2 SDRAM, that it
5 would be absolutely incompatible with the past. So,
6 we -- you know, we need backwards compatibility.

7 If you're looking from the back forward, it's
8 kind of forward compatibility. This is probably one of
9 the most important design attributes, you know, that we
10 needed to keep focused on.

11 Q. Now, what actually is going on in this? It
12 says that there's Rambus, zero votes, SLDRAM, 12 votes,
13 DDR SDRAM, 22 votes.

14 A. Well, we're trying to -- you know, this was a
15 straw poll. A straw poll is used in a JEDEC committee
16 to identify a path, to identify, you know, which -- you
17 know, for a question that's given to the committee,
18 which way the committee should head. It's not the same
19 as a ballot to go into a standard, but what it's used
20 as is a way that during the group discussion to send us
21 down a fork in the road, you know, decide which fork we
22 should take, which path we should take.

23 MR. DAVIS: I think we're having a little bit
24 of trouble with our --

25 MR. OLIVER: Could we go off the record for

1 just a moment, Your Honor, to fix our computer here?

2 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sure, we will go off the record
3 so you can iron that out.

4 (Pause in the proceedings.)

5 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, on the record.

6 Mr. Davis, you may proceed.

7 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Your Honor.

8 BY MR. DAVIS:

9 Q. Now, before the break, you were referring to a
10 vote on the architecture that the solution should be
11 based on. Now, what was the importance of that vote to
12 the development of the standard?

13 A. Well, as I said, we need -- we wanted to pick
14 the base architecture of the device, the previous --
15 you know, the DRAM we would start with, and then modify
16 it to form the standard, the new standard, DDR2.

17 Q. Okay. Now, halfway down that page, you state
18 that, "The current consensus is nonpacket solution, DDR
19 evolution and three to four-year time frame."

20 Was that consensus based in part on votes like
21 the one we were just talking about?

22 A. Yes, that would be based on those type of
23 votes.

24 MR. DAVIS: I'd like to -- Your Honor, I would
25 like to move CX-379A into evidence.

1 MR. STONE: No objection.

2 JUDGE McGUIRE: Entered.

3 (CX Exhibit Number 379A was admitted into
4 evidence.)

5 BY MR. DAVIS:

6 Q. Now, I'd like to show you what's been marked
7 for identification as CX-132.

8 A. (Document review.)

9 Q. Okay, do you know what this is?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Could you describe what this document is?

12 A. This is the meeting minutes of the Future DRAM
13 Task Group from July 23rd, 1998.

14 Q. And how is this -- how were these minutes
15 compiled?

16 A. These minutes were compiled by most likely Ken
17 McGhee from the JEDEC office or -- or it could have
18 been another person, you know, taking these.

19 Q. But you have reviewed these minutes?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And why would you have reviewed these minutes?

22 A. It is a task of the JEDEC chairman to review
23 the minutes.

24 Q. And why would the -- I'm sorry. Why would the
25 JEDEC chairman review these minutes?

1 A. Well, the JEDEC chairman first reviews the
2 minutes to ensure accuracy before they're presented to
3 the entire committee, and then, you know, they're
4 eventually accepted by the committee itself through a,
5 you know, a process of, you know, someone makes a
6 motion and a second and then a vote is taken.

7 Q. Now, if you could turn to page 4 of CX-132,
8 item 6 is listed as Current Consensus. Now, there were
9 items listed as current consensus in the previous
10 meeting minutes. Is that something that you listed in
11 every meeting minute, the current consensus?

12 A. Yes, at the beginning of every meeting, we
13 would review the current consensus.

14 Q. And what was meant by the current consensus?

15 A. It is the attributes of the DRAM that were
16 agreed upon by the task group, the committee.

17 Q. Okay. And then the first item in that current
18 consensus says, "DDR Based."

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And what does it mean that the future would be
21 DDR based?

22 A. It means that we would use the DDR1 SDRAM as
23 the basic architecture for the DDR2 SDRAM.

24 Q. Did you agree that DDR1 should be the basis for
25 the future DRAM?

1 A. Yes, I did.

2 Q. Why?

3 A. It was my belief that the DDR SDRAM covered a
4 broad range of markets and that it would be a success
5 in the industry, and therefore, we should base our --
6 our new design on it.

7 MR. DAVIS: I'd like to move CX-132 into
8 evidence.

9 MR. STONE: No objection.

10 JUDGE McGUIRE: Entered.

11 (CX Exhibit Number 132 was admitted into
12 evidence.)

13 BY MR. DAVIS:

14 Q. Now, I'd like you to look at CX-2315. Do you
15 have it?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Would you like to look at it before --

18 A. Yes, please give me one moment. (Document
19 review.) Okay.

20 Q. Could you describe what this document is?

21 A. This is an email exchange, you know, talking
22 about, you know, essentially the success of the DDR
23 SDRAM and how it plays into, you know, the possible
24 success of the DDR2 SDRAM.

25 Q. And who is this email exchange between?

1 A. The last "To" section -- the top section is
2 from Jim Townsend, and in part he's responding to an
3 email I sent to him and a number of other people,
4 essentially the JEDEC leadership, and then after that,
5 it's emails that I -- that were from Jim Townsend to
6 myself as well as Desi Rhoden and Gordon Kelley, and at
7 the absolute end was a -- some drafts of an email
8 concerning the drafts of a JC-42 agenda and some
9 discussion of attending the leadership meeting.

10 Q. I'd like to focus you on page 1 of 2315,
11 CX-2315, and the line that starts, "At 02:36 p.m.,
12 8/10/98, you wrote."

13 Are you there?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. What follows that, that line?

16 A. "Hello, Jim."

17 Q. Yes. The first line or so -- you don't have to
18 read it. I just wanted you to identify what that was.

19 A. This was an email from myself that, you know,
20 talked through the way I would -- you know, the way --
21 my interpretation of the status of current DRAMs in the
22 world and where, you know, the world may go and
23 describes, you know, essentially a chicken and egg
24 problem concerning the DDR SDRAM.

25 Q. Why don't we go to that.

1 Now, first of all, you described who Jim
2 Townsend was earlier. You start the email with, "A lot
3 of what we are doing in the Future DRAM Task group
4 relies on the success of DDR SDRAM."

5 Why did the work on the DDR2 SDRAM rely on the
6 success of the DDR SDRAM?

7 A. Well, firstly, we based the DDR2 SDRAM on the
8 DDR SDRAM, and you know, that was very -- you know,
9 that was very important for backwards compatibility,
10 you know, to make it easy to transition from one DRAM
11 to the next, and that was true of the SDRAM to the DDR
12 SDRAM.

13 So, if the DDR SDRAM wasn't successful, it
14 would only make sense to me that any device based on it
15 also wouldn't be successful, because there wouldn't be
16 a large number of designers in the world that would be
17 designing to the previous generation, the DDR, so why
18 would a large number of people then start designing to
19 the DDR2 SDRAM?

20 Q. Okay. Next you say, "With the info I have to
21 date it is starting to look like the world may stay SDR
22 until Rambus is available."

23 By "SDR," what were you referring to?

24 A. SDRAM.

25 Q. So, single data rate --

1 A. The JEDEC single data rate SDRAM.

2 Q. Then you say, "This is mainly due to a supplier
3 commitment to SDR and Rambus."

4 What information did you have that indicated
5 that the DDR manufacturers were going to produce SDRAM
6 and then move to Rambus?

7 A. It was information widely available in the
8 public domain, as well as information from DRAM vendors
9 on their road maps.

10 Q. You referred to information from DRAM vendors
11 on the road maps. What road maps are you referring to?

12 A. These are road maps that are made available to
13 me both under NDA and non-NDA. I'd say no details were
14 shown here, so there was no violation of the NDAs.

15 Q. Then you say, "This includes the memory
16 suppliers as well as the companies that support the
17 underlying infrastructure. It is a chicken and an egg
18 problem... The vendors won't line up to produce the
19 device unless there are users... But the users won't
20 consider the part unless the suppliers/infrastructure
21 is in place."

22 Could you describe what you meant by this
23 problem is a chicken and egg problem?

24 A. Well, the user of a DRAM can't commit to a DRAM
25 unless they are sure that the DRAM suppliers are

1 actually going to build it. As I said earlier, there's
2 a long design cycle, so you're committing to something
3 years in advance. And this includes also the
4 infrastructure surrounding it, so beyond just the DRAM.
5 The support components as well as DIMMs, et cetera.

6 Now, the DRAM suppliers, they don't want to
7 build the device unless the users are committed to it,
8 because again, it takes a long time to design a device,
9 and if the users aren't there, then you have a dead
10 device. There's no market for it. So, it's -- you
11 know, someone has to go first. It's a classic chicken
12 and egg problem.

13 Q. And how does the industry usually resolve that
14 problem?

15 A. Well, usually in the DRAM world, there is only
16 one choice. You know, it's not a matter of what; it's
17 a matter of when. So, users, they can plan their
18 transition based on their own -- you know, their own
19 internal decision-making process, plan their transition
20 to meet their own business needs.

21 The suppliers, they know making the investment
22 up front is going to be realized, because they know the
23 users will eventually move over. It may not all be at
24 once, but over a period of time, they can count on the
25 market slowly building up.

1 In this particular case, there were two
2 choices, and it was very unclear which way the world
3 would go.

4 Q. And is that what you are referring to when you
5 state next, "I understand that when the world
6 transitioned from EDO to SDR, it was slow and unclear
7 when the PC world would move over... However, since
8 there was only one alternative, then it was only a
9 matter of when not if"?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Okay, I'd like to have you look at RX-1306,
12 please.

13 JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Davis, did you offer
14 CX-2315?

15 MR. DAVIS: No, my understanding is it's
16 already in evidence.

17 JUDGE McGUIRE: It's already in? Okay, good
18 enough.

19 BY MR. DAVIS:

20 Q. Do you recognize this document?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Could you describe what it is?

23 A. These are meeting minutes for two Future DRAM
24 Task Group meetings, one on 9/18/1998 and one on
25 10/12/1998.

1 Q. So, to be clear, this is an email from you to a
2 number of people --

3 A. Yes, distributing the meeting minutes.

4 Q. And when was this email sent?

5 A. Let's see, it looks like it was sent Thursday,
6 November 5th, 1998.

7 Q. And who were you sending it to?

8 A. The task group, the Future DRAM Task Group.

9 Q. And why were you sending the -- this email to
10 the Future DRAM Task Group?

11 A. It is a matter of JEDEC policy that the meeting
12 minutes are distributed to the task -- to the task
13 group members.

14 Q. Okay. I'd like to turn to page 8 of RX-1306,
15 okay, and on page 8 is a list of action items.

16 Do you see that?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. What does that mean, "action items"?

19 A. Action items are essentially work tasks that
20 are assigned to either an individual or a company or
21 multiple individuals or multiple companies to be
22 completed by the next meeting.

23 Q. Okay. If you look at item number -- I'm sorry,
24 action item number 3, it says, "Removing DLL and impact
25 on turn around time HP."

1 Could you describe what that means?

2 A. Okay, first I need to define "turnaround time."
3 Turnaround time is, you know, a DRAM really has two
4 basic functions. You send data to it on writes; you
5 receive data from it on reads. And the turnaround time
6 is when you do the transition from a write to a read or
7 a read to a write, essentially some time that is left
8 dead on the bus to allow the bus to change direction.

9 So, this task was to investigate what would --
10 you know, what would be the impact of the turnaround
11 time if the DLL was removed from the DDR2 SDRAM.

12 Q. Okay. And why was this action item being
13 considered?

14 A. You know, one of the overriding goals of the
15 D -- of the task group, the Future DRAM Task Group, was
16 simplification, and so any time you remove something
17 from a DRAM device, you're going to make it simpler.
18 So, we were obviously looking at this for simplicity.

19 DLLs, their nature, you know, they're
20 complicated little circuits, and so if we could
21 eliminate the circuit, you know, we would simplify the
22 DRAM significantly.

23 Q. Okay. And was the DLL or has the DLL been
24 removed from the DDR2 standard?

25 A. No.

1 Q. And why not?

2 A. Well, we were DDR-based, and you know, the DLL
3 is a part of the clock system of the DDR SDRAM
4 standard, and the clock system is -- it's, you know,
5 one of the most fundamental aspects of the standard,
6 and it was decided since we were DDR-based that we
7 should preserve the clock system to keep the backwards
8 compatibility, that overriding issue of backwards
9 compatibility, you know, keep that easy, and that's why
10 the DLL was left in.

11 Q. Okay.

12 I believe that also is already in.

13 JUDGE MCGUIRE: Thank you.

14 BY MR. DAVIS:

15 Q. I'd like to show you what has been marked for
16 identification as CX-392. I think you've passed it.

17 A. Is it CX-390?

18 Q. 392.

19 A. Oh, 392, sorry.

20 Q. Who is Paul Coteus?

21 A. Paul Coteus was the vice-chair of the Future
22 DRAM Task Group.

23 Q. And why would he be sending out a Future DRAM
24 Task Group -- or it says task force, sorry, status
25 report?

1 A. I mean, as vice-chair, he may have -- you know,
2 he probably was sending out a status of the group. He
3 may have also been sending it out just through his
4 position in IBM.

5 Q. And if you look at the date, it's January of
6 1999. Is that close in time to another Future DRAM
7 Task Group meeting?

8 A. Yes, we had a meeting in December of '98, and
9 we typically -- and we also had a meeting scheduled
10 that -- in March of '99. Typically we did a meeting in
11 between those two dates. We typically met eight times
12 a year, at every JEDEC meeting and then in between
13 every JEDEC meeting.

14 Q. Okay. If you would turn to the bottom of page
15 3 of CX-392, there's the bullet that states, "DDR
16 Based."

17 A. Um-hum.

18 Q. It states -- and underneath that bullet, it
19 says, "This means that we stay backward compatible if
20 at all possible with DDR. A controller should be able
21 to support both DDR and DDR-II."

22 What was your understanding of the term
23 "backward compatible" as referred to DRAM controllers?

24 A. Well, that it would be possible to design a
25 DRAM controller that could talk to both the JEDEC DDR1

1 standard and the DDR2 standard in a way that, you know,
2 wouldn't be unduly costly. You know, you could do it
3 in a way that would be, you know, easy.

4 Q. And why was that important to the Future DRAM
5 Task Group?

6 A. Well, it's important because when you
7 transition to a new technology, it is very critical
8 that we have risk mitigation. We mitigate the risk in
9 moving ahead to new technology. A new technology could
10 be delayed, so it's important if you're designing a
11 system to use that new technology, if that technology
12 was delayed for any reason, that it would be easy to
13 use the old technology so you could still bring it to
14 market.

15 Q. Now -- thank you.

16 Now, when you're saying the future technology
17 may be delayed, what future technology are you
18 referring to?

19 A. This would be the DDR2 standard.

20 Q. Okay. So, if you have a controller that has
21 both DDR and DDR2 on it, then you're saying that if the
22 DDR2 standard is delayed somehow, that that --

23 A. Well, really that the device is based on that
24 standard or perhaps the courtships and infrastructure
25 to implement the DDR2 standard -- you know,

1 unfortunately, sometimes things don't work, you know,
2 there's issues. There may be supply issues. There may
3 be -- you know, very often you need multiple sourcing
4 in order to satisfy -- you know, again, for a risk
5 reason, you know, from a business point of view.

6 If there weren't multiple sources, quite
7 possibly the OEMs wouldn't allow you to sell that --
8 that particular style of system at a particular time.
9 So, you know, it's purely -- you know, even though
10 you're in control of the DDR, the rest of the world may
11 not have caught up, and so you might just have to wait
12 longer, so picking an exact date when you don't have
13 total control of your own destiny, and in this kind of
14 world, you don't. You're depending on many companies.
15 It's very risky. So, this backwards compatibility is
16 the way that we mitigate that risk.

17 Q. And I just want to make sure I understand this.
18 If you have a controller that's compatible with both
19 DDR and DDR2 SDRAM, all right, that benefits the
20 controller manufacturer if DDR2 is delayed because they
21 could still sell it with DDR1?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And next it says, "Initial RAMs might support
24 DDR and DDR-II on the same die."

25 What does that mean?

1 A. This means that a DRAM manufacturer would
2 design their DRAM such that it would have both the DDR
3 functionality and the DDR2 functionality on the same
4 piece of silicon, on the same die. There could then
5 be, you know, a metal change, you know, a piece of
6 metal on the die, configure that piece of silicon to
7 either be a DDR1 or a DDR2, and that could be done very
8 late in the manufacturing process.

9 You could also use a fuse to do it. There's a
10 number of ways to do that, that late bonding, and this
11 is, again -- well, that's what it is.

12 Q. Okay. You said metal -- a piece of metal.
13 What were you referring to there, that would be able to
14 set between the DDR and DDR2 device?

15 A. Well, there would be a piece of metal just
16 like, you know, a wire from a microphone to the
17 speaker. There's metal on silicon to allow the
18 electronics to flow from one place to another. It's
19 quite possible with a piece of metal that you could
20 configure the DRAM device to have the DDR1 attributes
21 or the DDR2 attributes by connecting things slightly
22 differently.

23 Q. And why was that important to the -- to the
24 Future DRAM Task Group?

25 A. Well, it's important to the task group because

1 it's important to the DRAM manufacturers.

2 Q. Okay. And why was it important to the DRAM
3 manufacturers that they be able to support DDR and DDR2
4 at the same time?

5 A. Well, again, it's risk mitigation. They're
6 doing a design, believing the user community will be
7 there ready to accept it, but they, too, don't have
8 control of their destiny. They're dependent on the
9 users and other people to build the infrastructure.
10 So, they want to make sure that the design they do
11 still has a market, and this allows them to more
12 seam -- you know, to manage that transition from the
13 previous technology to the new technology with a
14 minimum amount of risk.

15 Q. Okay. Now, if you'd turn to page 5 of the
16 document, and I'm referring to the very bottom header,
17 it says, "No read or write burst interrupt commands,"
18 and then it states that, "At high data writes, burst
19 interrupt commands are of less value, and are more
20 difficult to engineer. The perceived engineering and
21 test costs were higher than the perceived value of the
22 commands."

23 At the time, what was your perception of the
24 engineering and test costs for burst interrupt at that
25 time?

1 A. Well, it was burst interrupt in the JEDEC SDRAM
2 standard, the single data rate standard, as well as the
3 DDR1 standard. The way the burst interrupt was
4 standardized provided the most flexibility to the user,
5 and all that flexibility had a cost to the DRAM
6 designer. It was -- it proved to be difficult to
7 implement that flexibility and implement it in a way
8 that did not affect the speed of the DRAM. So, that's
9 where, you know, it was difficult to engineer.

10 Q. And what was your perception of the value of
11 the burst interrupt command at that time?

12 A. The value, you know, was limited. It really
13 depended on the use of the DRAM. In some cases, there
14 would be absolutely no benefit to the burst interrupt,
15 and in other cases, the benefit was extremely small,
16 and there were very, very few cases where, you know,
17 this very general purpose burst interrupt provided, you
18 know, a significant boost.

19 Q. Okay. Was it part of your perception of the
20 value of the burst interrupt command that it would
21 potentially avoid Rambus patents?

22 A. That was never discussed.

23 MR. DAVIS: I'd like to move -- I think,
24 actually, CX-392 has been already moved into evidence.

25 BY MR. DAVIS:

1 Q. I'd like you to look at what's been marked for
2 identification as CX-397. Mr. Macri, it looks like
3 this (indicating).

4 A. Okay. 397?

5 Q. CX-397.

6 A. Did we already discuss it once or -- no?

7 MR. DAVIS: Your Honor, may I approach?

8 JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.

9 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

10 BY MR. DAVIS:

11 Q. Could you identify the cover page for me before
12 we get into the document?

13 A. It's an email from Paul Coteus to myself as
14 well as a number of IBM people and Ken McGhee.

15 Q. And when was that sent?

16 A. Monday, April 12th, 1999.

17 Q. Do you have an understanding of why it was
18 sent?

19 A. I believe I must have assigned Paul Coteus the
20 action to create a package of information to be
21 distributed before our Tokyo JEDEC meeting.

22 Q. Okay, why don't you look at the document.

23 A. (Document review.) Okay.

24 Q. Okay. Do you recall whether that's the package
25 that you assigned Paul Coteus to provide?

1 A. Yes, it seems like it's the information.

2 Q. Okay. Now, if you look at the first page of
3 that package, it's page 2 of the document, there's a
4 figure at the top with a line above it stating,
5 "Evolutionary design, building on tradition of SDR and
6 DDR SDRAM."

7 Now, what does "evolutionary design" mean in
8 that sentence?

9 A. Evolutionary design is when you start with
10 something and you modify it to get something else, so
11 it evolves, just like monkeys to humans.

12 MR. STONE: That was a long trial, too, Your
13 Honor.

14 JUDGE McGUIRE: Noted.

15 THE WITNESS: I guess it depends on how you
16 look at it.

17 BY MR. DAVIS:

18 Q. Now, in the figure below, there are arrows
19 going from boxes with the terms PC-100, PC-133, DDR and
20 DDR-II, and those boxes represent the DDR -- I'm sorry,
21 the JEDEC standards. Is that accurate?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And what do the arrows represent?

24 A. They represent the change from one standard to
25 the next.

1 Q. Okay. Now, is programmable CAS latency using
2 the mode register part of the proposed DDR2 standard?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And how did programmable CAS latency become
5 part of the proposed DDR2 standard?

6 A. Well, it was inherited from the PC-100, the
7 PC-133 and the DDR standard.

8 Q. So, it's in the DDR2 standard because it was in
9 the previous standards?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Is programmable burst length using the mode
12 register part of the proposed DDR2 standard?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And how did programmable burst length become
15 part of the DDR2 standard?

16 A. It was used in the PC-100, the PC-133 and in
17 the DDR SDRAM standard.

18 Q. Okay. Now, is dual edge clocking part of the
19 proposed DDR2 standard?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And how did that develop --

22 A. Well, clocking -- we call it dual edge strobing
23 instead of clocking, because it's the strobe that is --
24 the data is associated with on dual edge.

25 Q. Okay, thank you.

1 Could you describe what you mean by a strobe so
2 we understand?

3 A. Well, the strobe is a signal that is timed with
4 the data, but it's not the same as the clock that goes
5 to the SDRAM. The data is not tightly coupled to the
6 DDR SDRAM clock. It's tightly coupled to the DDR SDRAM
7 strobe.

8 Q. And so the difference between a clock and a
9 strobe, could you describe the difference between --

10 A. A clock is a free-running signal that forms
11 kind of the watch of the system, whereas strobe can be
12 loosely related to the clock, may or may not be free
13 running -- in the case of DDR SDRAM it's not free
14 running, it's not always moving -- and it is very
15 tightly coupled to the data.

16 Q. And by "free running," you mean running all the
17 time?

18 A. Running all the time, like a wrist watch.

19 Q. Now, how did dual edge strobing become part of
20 the proposed DDR2 standard?

21 A. It was in the DDR SDRAM standard.

22 Q. Now, finally, is the use of DLL on a DRAM part
23 of the proposed DDR2 standard?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And how did the use of DLL on a DRAM become

1 part of the DDR2 standard?

2 A. It was in the DDR SDRAM standard.

3 Q. Now, below that on the same page, there's a
4 statement, "Designed by users and suppliers in JEDEC
5 Future DRAM Task Group," and the third bullet below
6 that lists a number of organizations, M14, SL-DRAM
7 consortium, PC/Graphics/Server companies.

8 Do you see that?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. What's the value, if there is any, of having
11 all these different types of firms involved with the
12 standards-setting activity?

13 A. Well, we were, you know, designing a DRAM that
14 we wanted to be an open standard and an open standard
15 that covered a vast array of markets, so it would be
16 used by, you know, essentially the entire world. By
17 having all of the, you know, major and minor
18 companies -- for example, ArtX, the company I worked
19 at, was just a little 25-person startup. So, to have
20 as many possible companies working on it, you have
21 consensus, and so when the device is eventually
22 produced, you have a -- you already have people that
23 agree with it and agree to use it, so it becomes
24 widely, widely used.

25 Q. Okay. If you could turn to page 12 of the

1 document, now there's a page that's titled Command
2 Encoding. What does "command encoding" mean?

3 A. Command encoding is, you know, when you have a
4 number of bits of signals that are encoded to specify a
5 specific command, such as a read or a write.

6 Q. So, the encoding tells the DRAM that, hey, this
7 is a write or tells the DRAM this is a write?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And on page 13, it says, "Command Encoding --
10 Another Option."

11 Do you see that?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. What's the difference between the command
14 encoding schemes on page 12 and page 13?

15 A. On page 13, it's essentially the historical
16 standard command encoding for a DRAM that's been
17 adopted by JEDEC for -- you know, and DRAM designers
18 for, you know, many, many, many years, going back --
19 you know, even prior to synchronous DRAM, going back to
20 fast page DRAM, EDO, you know, it's been essentially
21 the way everybody has talked to a DRAM.

22 Page 12 was the actual future DRAM the task
23 group considered in breaking that historical trend, so
24 instead of having the traditional encodings, we wanted
25 to explore to see if there was a better way.

1 Q. Now, what were the benefits of sort of the new
2 scheme that's described on page 12?

3 A. Well, page 12, because of its -- you know, the
4 historical nature of it, you know, was very
5 restrictive, and -- I'm sorry, page 13, correct myself,
6 due to the historical nature of the way we used the
7 bits, it was very restrictive, and so on page 12, we
8 kind of broke history. We said, well, let's see if we
9 broke history, if we could come up with something that
10 could be compelling.

11 So, you know, when you start with a cleaner
12 sheet of paper, you can, you know, do things that are
13 maybe more compact, maybe save pins, provide additional
14 encodings for future options, for example.

15 Q. Now, do you know if the command encoding scheme
16 that's being proposed here saved any pins in relation
17 to the command codes on page 13?

18 A. Yes, it did save one or two pins, if I recall
19 correctly.

20 Q. So, if you look on page 13, in the -- sort of
21 the paragraph right before the table, it says -- the
22 very last sentence, it says, "This is like DDR today,
23 and requires 2 more pins," and it says that's a
24 consensus proposal, but --

25 A. Two pins.

1 Q. -- when that says it was a consensus proposal,
2 was that referring to the proposal on page 12?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Now, which proposal ended up being used in
5 DDR2?

6 A. The one on page 13.

7 Q. Okay. The one on page 13, the one that used
8 two additional pins?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And it had a less efficient -- well, why was
11 the -- why was the page -- why was the scheme described
12 on page 13 chosen above the scheme that was described
13 on page 12?

14 A. Primarily for backwards compatibility. In
15 order to support -- you know, if we went with the
16 scheme on page 12, it would have forced the designers
17 to put into the command path, which is the critical
18 path in getting a command off the controller to the
19 DRAM, additional circuitry to deal with both the old
20 scheme, the DDR1 scheme, and then the new scheme if you
21 wanted to design a compatible controller, and instead
22 of creating this natural critical path, this timing
23 path, the committee decided that backwards
24 compatibility was far more important than any potential
25 pin savings.

1 Q. Okay.

2 I'm trying to determine whether CX-397 is
3 admitted or not.

4 MR. STONE: It is.

5 BY MR. DAVIS:

6 Q. Now, I'd like you to look at CX-426, please.

7 A. (Document review.)

8 Q. Okay, could you describe what 426 -- first of
9 all, have you seen 426 before?

10 A. Yes, I did.

11 Q. And what is 426?

12 A. This seems like a set of emails and meeting
13 notes on it looks like a task group or a sub-task group
14 in this case of the Future DRAM Task Group to look at
15 clocking schemes for DDR2.

16 Q. And when was this email sent?

17 A. November 29th, 2000.

18 Q. And -- I'm sorry?

19 A. That was the top email.

20 Q. And who was that from?

21 A. That was from Terry Lee.

22 Q. And who was he sending that to?

23 A. The sub-task group.

24 Q. And were you one of the members of that
25 sub-task group?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Now, were you involved in this conference call?

3 A. Yes, I was.

4 Q. And what was the reason for the conference
5 call?

6 A. It was to discuss DDR2 clocking schemes.

7 Q. Was one of the topics relating to whether there
8 was going to be a single data rate or double data rate
9 clock being used for DDR2?

10 A. That was one of the alternatives discussed.

11 Q. And why was that being discussed?

12 A. During one of the task group meetings, the
13 Future DRAM Task Group meetings, a presentation was
14 made on clocking alternatives, and you know, it was
15 decided that, you know, we needed to form a sub-task
16 group to kind of open the door to all alternatives if
17 we were going to take a look at any alternative at that
18 point in time, and so that's why we formed this group.

19 Q. Okay. Now, on page 2 of CX-426, it looks like
20 the first entry below that dotted line, where it says,
21 "Survey on elimination of strobes," and then it
22 mentions ATI, was that where you were working at that
23 time?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Does this refer to you?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Okay. It says after that, "Likes to keep
3 strobe for compatibility between DDR I and DDR II.
4 Acknowledges unidirectional idea and likes pin count
5 saving by removing strobes. Prefers single data rate.
6 Prefers common C/A and write clock."

7 So, first of all, what does that first sentence
8 mean where it says, "Likes to keep strobe for
9 compatibility between DDR I and DDR2 II"?

10 A. Basically I wanted to keep the same clocking
11 scheme that DDR1 had for compatibility reasons.

12 Q. Okay, but below that you say in the first
13 bullet, "Prefers Single data rate."

14 What was that referring to?

15 A. Well, this -- you know, it was kind of the
16 sub-bullet under the "acknowledges" part. Single data
17 rate -- if we were going to make a change, I thought
18 going with a single data rate, you know, a higher speed
19 single data rate clock was the way to go.

20 Q. Okay. Now, do you remember what happened to
21 this proposal, the idea of going to a single data rate?

22 A. It -- after, you know, some discussion, I mean,
23 this conference call, it was the majority of
24 discussion, you know, the committee decided to not
25 consider the alternative -- you know, to keep the DDR

1 style of clocking for the compatibility reasons.

2 Q. I'm sorry, for the which reasons?

3 A. For backwards compatibility.

4 Q. So, it was your -- I'm sorry?

5 A. To state that clearly, the committee decided
6 that DDR2 would keep the DDR1 style of clocking for
7 backwards compatibility.

8 Q. Okay. So, in order for the DDR2 standard to be
9 backward compatible with DDR1, you wanted to maintain
10 the dual edge clocking aspect of the standard?

11 A. Yeah, the same DDR1 style of clocking, correct.

12 Q. Dual edge strobe?

13 A. Dual edge strobe, correct.

14 Q. Okay. Now, you testified that you joined ATI
15 in 2000. Is that right?

16 A. Yes.

17 (The in camera testimony continued in Volume
18 25, Part 2, Pages 4749 through 4782, then resumed as
19 follows.)

20 JUDGE McGUIRE: Thank you, Mr. Davis. You may
21 proceed.

22 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Your Honor.

23 BY MR. DAVIS:

24 Q. Could you describe what this presentation was
25 about?

1 A. Well, we -- we at Silicon Graphics, we looked
2 through the existing DDR proposals that were being
3 presented. We created a presentation to give at JEDEC
4 to give some other options, some ideas that we thought
5 may be better than the existing proposals.

6 Q. This was the presentation you were talking
7 about earlier regarding -- with Mr. Deneroff?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Okay. What was the focus of these -- of this
10 presentation?

11 A. Well, we focused on clocking, how the data move
12 relative to strobes and clocks was occurring between
13 the controllers and the DRAM.

14 Q. Was part of the presentation in relation to
15 having the DLL on the DRAM?

16 A. Part of it was concerning the DLL, yes.

17 Q. And what was that -- what was that part about?

18 A. Well, we were concerned with the DLL -- the
19 ability of the DRAM designers to put the DLL onto the
20 DRAM and have it function as predicted. So, we really
21 wanted to ensure that if the DLL was there, that it
22 could be turned off for at least the initial DDR, that
23 we could operate our system with the DLL disabled.

24 Q. Now, actually, what was the purpose of having
25 the DLL on the DDR SDRAM?

1 A. The purpose is that it aligns the -- loosely
2 aligns the read data strobes, the output strobes, to
3 the dual edge clock, and by realigning that, it gives
4 you a better idea of where the data is on the data bus.
5 So, earlier I described this concept of turning around
6 the data bus. Well, that can aid in minimizing that
7 turnaround time.

8 In addition, the strobe architecture had this
9 concept called preamble pulse, and by loosely aligning
10 the strobe to the input clock, it made it easier to
11 find this preamble pulse, so then the controller knew
12 when to look for the strobe edges that were going to be
13 tightly coupled to the data.

14 Q. Now, did you have an understanding at the time
15 of whether the DLL was necessary?

16 A. Well, for the data rates that we were looking
17 at initially with DDR, we at Silicon Graphics
18 determined that the system would work fine with the
19 current strobe methodology and the defined preamble
20 pulse -- preamble size at speeds of 200 megahertz data
21 rates, 200 mbps.

22 Q. Okay. So, did you think at the time that if
23 the DRAM was going to go faster than 200 megahertz,
24 that a DLL was going to be required?

25 A. You know, we felt that the 266 mbps rate, the

1 DLL might be needed. It was more probable than at the
2 200 mbps rate. At above that, we started to believe,
3 with the architectural definition of the preamble
4 pulse, you know, as it was, that, you know, you would
5 probably, you know, strongly consider having the DLL
6 there.

7 Q. Now, you said with the architectural definition
8 as it was. What were you referring to?

9 A. Well, I mean, the preamble pulse was
10 approximately one DRAM cycle as defined at that point
11 by JEDEC. Now, obviously you can design systems
12 without the DLL being there at all, but with the DLL
13 there, it led to certain conclusions, certain
14 architectural decisions.

15 If we didn't want to have the DLL there at all,
16 we could easily come up with methods that -- a
17 different set of architectural solutions to solve that.
18 This was just, you know, we were coming in not at the
19 beginning of the discussions but kind of two-thirds of
20 the way through the discussions. It's how much
21 disruption on the standards-making process did we want
22 to cause?

23 We wanted to minimize that disruption so that
24 we would have the devices to meet our schedule or our
25 systems. So, we didn't want to go and cause everything

1 to start over. We really wanted to cause people to
2 pause and think. You can kind of tell by that first
3 set of words on the slide, you know, they're pretty
4 strong words, "Existing DDR proposals do not work."
5 Well, the goal there was to get people to pause and
6 think, and I believe we were successful in that.

7 MR. DAVIS: Okay, I believe 370 has already
8 been admitted.

9 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, noted.

10 BY MR. DAVIS:

11 Q. Now, you testified at -- that the meeting with
12 Rambus over the patents happened in September of 2000.
13 Is that right?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And you also testified that the
16 standard-setting process for DDR2 started in April of
17 1998?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. At the time you met with Rambus or you were
20 involved in that meeting with Rambus in September of
21 2000, was the DDR standard finished?

22 A. Yes, for all intents and purposes.

23 Q. I'm sorry, the DDR2 standard.

24 A. Oh, the DDR2 standard? No.

25 Q. Okay. Is the DDR2 standard finished yet?

1 A. Ah, for all intents and purposes, yes. It's
2 not as simple as a yes or no question, because
3 standards -- they're living. We are constantly
4 updating them to include faster end points, taking
5 feedback from real world experiences to clarify the
6 specification, but you know, for all intents and
7 purposes, the specification is finished.

8 Q. Okay. Now, did you propose to change the DDR2
9 standard to remove the DLL or the DRAM standard?

10 A. No.

11 Q. Why not?

12 A. Well, it was already in the DDR1 JEDEC
13 standard. Backwards compatibility was extremely
14 important to our products, and we would have then
15 forced ourselves to make a fundamental change in the
16 clocking methodology, which is the most important --
17 it's the thing we focus on first, because it is the
18 most important feature of any system.

19 So, an incompatibility at the clock level, the
20 architectural clocking level, is a huge
21 incompatibility. It's not a minor incompatibility.

22 Q. Now -- and what would have been the effect on
23 the industry had you changed that?

24 A. Well, it would have forced us to -- you know,
25 in order to keep compatibility, we would have had to

1 have created circuits to talk both ways. This may
2 have, you know, may have caused increases in die areas,
3 possibly increases in pin count, would have complicated
4 things in an area where you're striving towards
5 simplicity.

6 I mean, in clocking, you know, elegant
7 simplicity is what we're after. We're not after
8 complications.

9 Q. Now, at the time in, say, starting in September
10 of 2000, did you have any understanding of whether
11 companies were designing to the DDR2 standard at that
12 point?

13 A. Yes, there were already companies in design on
14 both the DRAM and the systems side.

15 Q. And how do you know that?

16 A. Through my role in JEDEC, you know, I
17 interfaced with many of the system companies to help
18 them understand the specification, and you know,
19 through that, you know, I got a fairly good feel for
20 where they were. And then through my role in JEDEC and
21 through my work through ATI and ArtX, you know,
22 interfacing with the DRAM companies for my own product,
23 products, you know, we really understood what the DRAM
24 values were, you know, the NDA underscored pretty much
25 everything about their design so we could plan our

1 designs around them so we would meet up in time to have
2 a product that we could both ship.

3 Q. Did you have an understanding at the time of
4 the effect a change to the DDR2 standard to remove the
5 DLL, what effect that would have on these companies
6 that were designing to the standard?

7 A. I mean, it was a -- you know, basically the
8 earliest adopters would have had to go back to the
9 design stage. Clocking is not something they can
10 change in a trivial manner. You know, I'm sure it
11 would have ranged from medium to large impacts. You
12 know, depending on the size of the company, you know,
13 the impact could have, you know, been much, much
14 greater.

15 Small companies would have been impacted far
16 more than large companies. Resources are just less in
17 small companies. So, I mean, it's not something you
18 want to go change at that point in time. You really
19 need a gun to your head.

20 Q. Did you propose to change the DDR2 standard in
21 order to remove dual edge clocking from the standard?

22 A. No.

23 Q. And why not?

24 A. Forward and backward compatibility reasons. As
25 I said, clocking is extremely important. We always

1 strive to keep the clock system simple. You know, we
2 would only make a change to clocking when we had to,
3 when the physics of the situation, you know, literally
4 the physics, you know, the physics we live in drive us
5 to make that change. We don't make that change for
6 trivial reasons.

7 Q. Now, would changing the DDR2 standard to remove
8 dual edge clocking have had any effect on those
9 companies that were designing to the DDR2 standard in
10 September of 2000?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And what is that?

13 A. Well, it would have caused them to go back to a
14 redesign, both from the DRAM side and the user side,
15 you know, the support component side would have
16 probably been affected, and it would have -- you know,
17 it -- again, you're shaking the foundations of the --
18 of the standard and not changing a minor piece of the
19 standard. It's one of the foundations.

20 Q. And you said support components, what were you
21 referring to?

22 A. Like, for example, a POLL on a register, you
23 know, they're designed to produce, you know, certain
24 frequency ranges of clocks with certain attributes.
25 Those attributes most likely would have had to have

1 changed.

2 Q. Okay. Would that have affected the companies
3 manufacturing those components?

4 A. Of course.

5 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Your Honor. I don't
6 have any more questions.

7 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, thank you very much. I
8 think this is a pretty good time to take a break for
9 lunch. It's almost 12:30. What if we convene back at
10 1:45?

11 MR. STONE: That's fine, Your Honor.

12 JUDGE McGUIRE: At that time, we will begin the
13 cross examination. Hearing in recess.

14 (Whereupon, at 12:27 p.m., a lunch recess was
15 taken.)

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1 AFTERNOON SESSION

2 (1:45 p.m.)

3 JUDGE McGUIRE: This hearing is now in order.

4 At this time, you may begin your cross
5 examination, Mr. Stone.

6 MR. STONE: Mr. Macri, would you like to take
7 the stand?

8 CROSS EXAMINATION

9 BY MR. STONE:

10 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Macri.

11 A. Hello.

12 Q. Who do you work for?

13 A. ATI.

14 Q. And when you say ATI, is there a corporate
15 name, a correct, proper name?

16 A. Yeah, AT -- I must be honest, it's a Canadian
17 company. It might be ATI Technologies, I believe.

18 Q. Okay.

19 A. And I work for the American subsidiary out of
20 Silicon Valley, the Santa Clara office.

21 Q. And your office is on Bowers Avenue in Santa
22 Clara?

23 A. Correct.

24 Q. And when we served a subpoena on that office in
25 connection with this case, were you made aware of it?

1 A. No.

2 Q. You have documents at your office in Santa
3 Clara that relate to the things you've testified to
4 today, don't you?

5 A. Can you be more specific? I have a subpoena of
6 some sort?

7 Q. Well, you were shown some emails today that you
8 were copied on.

9 A. Oh, yes, of course.

10 Q. You have those emails in Santa Clara?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And you generated documents in connection with
13 your work on the Future DRAM Task Group, did you not?

14 A. Correct.

15 Q. And those documents would be at your office in
16 Santa Clara?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And mailings that you would receive from the
19 JEDEC office would be in your files in Santa Clara?

20 A. Yes, in my computer actually.

21 Q. You told us earlier today about a meeting you
22 attended in September of 2000. Do you recall that?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And then after that meeting, you told us you
25 thought about alternative ways to do things. Do you

1 recall that?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Did you write down --

4 MS. KORDZIEL: I'm sorry, if you are going to
5 go into that meeting and the discussions, could we have
6 the Court be in camera again?

7 MR. STONE: Your Honor, all I was asking is
8 what he did after the meeting. I thought what he did
9 afterwards was not subject to the in camera order.

10 JUDGE McGUIRE: You are not going to get into
11 the merits of the discussion, right?

12 MR. STONE: Not at this time.

13 MS. KORDZIEL: The activities were still part
14 of the --

15 JUDGE McGUIRE: You know, I can't hear you,
16 ma'am, if you would please step forward.

17 MS. KORDZIEL: What he did afterwards, the
18 activities, that was actually all part of the in camera
19 portion of his testimony from this morning.

20 MR. STONE: That's fine. I don't want to go
21 into in camera, Your Honor, and in fact, if that's the
22 position, that what he did is -- should not be
23 considered public, I'll just defer that and come back
24 to it.

25 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, very good.

1 Ma'am, what's your name again for the record?

2 MS. KORDZIEL: Linda Kordziel, K O R D Z I E L.

3 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, thank you.

4 MS. KORDZIEL: I also wanted to raise one
5 thing, because I wasn't sure, but to the extent that --
6 the documents 1383 and 1384, can I have those deemed
7 confidential? I'm not sure if they are marked that or
8 not.

9 JUDGE McGUIRE: It would have been also easier
10 if you would have brought that up when they were
11 introduced.

12 MS. KORDZIEL: I didn't realize that -- I
13 didn't have the documents.

14 JUDGE McGUIRE: Have these already been
15 introduced in the record previously or were they
16 offered and accepted this morning?

17 MR. STONE: Those documents were produced by
18 Rambus, but -- they were produced by Rambus, not by
19 your client.

20 MS. KORDZIEL: Right.

21 MR. STONE: So, they are Rambus' documents, but
22 they are already subject to the in camera order.

23 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, if they are already
24 treated in camera, then they are already protected.

25 MS. KORDZIEL: I just wasn't sure.

1 JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Stone, if I understand what
2 you're going to do now is go into other areas and then
3 come back to this, and at that time we will go into in
4 camera session, correct?

5 MR. STONE: That's acceptable, Your Honor.

6 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, go ahead.

7 BY MR. STONE:

8 Q. Let me go to a different subject, Mr. Macri.
9 You talked quite a bit earlier today about the
10 phrase "backward compatible," correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And I want to ask you some questions about that
13 to make sure we understand what "backward compatible"
14 means, if I might.

15 Let me ask you if you would turn to RX-2234,
16 which I put on the top stack on the left for you. If
17 you would, turn to the third page, and look at the
18 chart at the top of the third page. As you define
19 backward compatible, were -- was EDO -- the EDO product
20 backward compatible with fast page?

21 A. Yes, they would be -- they would be considered
22 an evolutionary change.

23 Q. And to you, then, "backward compatible" and
24 "evolutionary change" mean the same thing?

25 A. Not in all situations, but in the situation

1 that you just asked the question, yes.

2 Q. Okay. And are each of the products along this
3 line, then, backward compatible, as you use the phrase,
4 with the term that just -- with the product that just
5 precedes it to the left?

6 A. Yes, it's the product that precedes it to the
7 left you could call to be in some ways the basis for
8 the following generation.

9 Q. Okay. And your testimony today is that DDR2 is
10 backward compatible with DDR, correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Now, am I correct that DDR2 requires the use of
13 a different motherboard than DDR?

14 A. Ah, well, I wouldn't say that it's impossible
15 to design a motherboard that would be compatible with
16 both DDR2 and DDR1.

17 Q. No, sir.

18 A. Okay, then I don't understand your question.

19 Q. There are motherboards that were designed for
20 use with DDR, correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Those motherboards cannot be used with DDR2,
23 can they?

24 A. Not if they were designed before DDR2 was
25 understood.

1 Q. And are there any motherboards in the market
2 today that are designed for both DDR and DDR2 so far as
3 you know?

4 A. I am not aware of any motherboards where -- let
5 me make sure I understand your definition of
6 "motherboard." Is that the -- would that be the main
7 board that would form the basis of a personal computer?

8 Q. Yes.

9 A. Okay, I do not know of any DDR2 motherboards
10 available today.

11 Q. And the modules that were designed for use with
12 DDR won't work with DDR2, will they?

13 A. The modules that were designed before DDR2 was
14 known will not work with DDR2.

15 Q. And are there any modules in the market today
16 that will work with both DDR and DDR2?

17 A. As I already stated, I do not know of any
18 modules that have been designed -- that are available
19 today for DDR2.

20 Q. Okay. And am I also correct that the number of
21 pins on a DDR2 DRAM is different than the number of
22 pins on the DDR SDRAM?

23 A. Yes, they are different.

24 Q. And so you can't plug them into the same set of
25 receptacles, if you will, because the number of pins is

1 different?

2 A. By "receptacle," do you mean a socket?

3 Q. Yes.

4 A. I do not know of any situation where we are
5 plugging DDR1 DRAMs directly into a socket, nor do I
6 know of a situation where we are plugging DDR2 DRAMs
7 directly into a socket.

8 Q. Instead, you're connecting them in modules in
9 your experience?

10 A. Generally, they are soldered down to some type
11 of a module.

12 Q. Okay. And is it also correct that the
13 controller designed to work with DDR will not work with
14 DDR2?

15 A. Are you saying that controllers that were
16 designed before DDR2 was known?

17 Q. Yes.

18 A. Yes, that would be --

19 Q. And you'd have to design a new controller if
20 you wanted one to work with DDR2 as compared to the
21 controller that was designed to work with DDR, correct?

22 A. Well, by a new controller, would you mean you
23 would have to start from scratch or would you start
24 with a DDR1 controller and then modify it to work with
25 both DDR1 and DDR2?

1 Q. Well, what I mean is you'd have to design a
2 controller that is different than the controller that
3 was designed to work with DDR1 if you wanted it to work
4 with DDR2. Isn't that a true statement?

5 A. I would start with my DDR1 controller and
6 modify it to work with DDR2, and then I would have a
7 controller that would work with both.

8 Q. And that would be different than what you
9 started with, would it not?

10 A. If I had to add -- if I had to add the design
11 elements to support both DRAMs, it would have to be
12 different, yes.

13 Q. Yes. And in order to make it work with DDR2,
14 you would have to add design elements, would you not?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Okay. When did you prepare Exhibit 2234, Mr.
17 Macri?

18 A. Let's see, it was done the night before I gave
19 the talk.

20 Q. And when was that?

21 A. Let's see, this was -- I know it was during the
22 Platform '99 Conference. I don't recall the exact
23 date, but that is --

24 JUDGE McGUIRE: Can you help him out there, Mr.
25 Stone?

1 MR. STONE: I can't, Your Honor.

2 JUDGE McGUIRE: You don't have it in front of
3 you?

4 MR. STONE: I have the document in front of me.
5 It does not have a date on it.

6 JUDGE McGUIRE: Very good.

7 THE WITNESS: Publicly available.

8 BY MR. STONE:

9 Q. Okay, sometime in '99?

10 A. Sometime in '99.

11 Q. Turn to page 2, if you would, of 2234.

12 Was it your intention to invite non-JEDEC
13 members to participate in the JEDEC Future DRAM Task
14 Group?

15 A. Yes, I believe I've already testified to that.

16 Q. And did you, in fact, do that?

17 A. Yes, I have.

18 Q. And did you explain to them that they were or
19 were not subject to any JEDEC rules as a result of
20 participating?

21 A. At the beginning of every task group meeting,
22 we always say that the full JEDEC rules are in effect,
23 and during discussions with these companies, I said, of
24 course, you would have to abide by the JEDEC rules.

25 Q. And did you explain to them what they were?

1 A. In generalities, yes. I don't recall the exact
2 words I used or -- or the details of those
3 conversations.

4 Q. Did you hand out copies of the rules to them?

5 A. I did not hand out written copies of the rules
6 to them.

7 Q. Did you give them a presentation on the JEDEC
8 patent policy?

9 A. That's always -- always disclosed at the
10 beginning of every JEDEC meeting by standard practice.
11 We state that the -- you know, what -- that there is a
12 patent policy, there's information given out, and we
13 ask if there's any questions generally, you know, at
14 least in all the meetings I attend.

15 Q. And that was done at the Future DRAM Task Group
16 meetings that you chaired?

17 A. Yes, to the best of my knowledge.

18 Q. Now, none of the minutes that we saw today of
19 meetings of the Future DRAM Task Group make any
20 reference to that, do they?

21 A. I did not read the minutes in absolute detail,
22 so I would have to go back and review all those
23 minutes.

24 Q. Okay.

25 A. But I believe you -- can you just tell me?

1 Q. Can I tell you what, sir?

2 A. If they are in those minutes.

3 Q. I didn't see them.

4 A. Okay.

5 Q. Let me ask you about page 2 of Exhibit 2234, if
6 I can. Down at the bottom it says, "Goals: Open
7 Standard - It's Free."

8 Do you see that?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Was it your goal to make sure that no royalties
11 would be owed to any company as a result of the design
12 that came out of your Future DRAM Task Group?

13 A. As a goal, I wanted it to be an open standard.
14 As a goal, I wanted it to be free. Achieving goals can
15 only be known after the fact, and I still do not
16 believe if that goal -- if we know if we have achieved
17 that goal or not.

18 Q. My question just, Mr. Macri, is very simple.
19 Was it your goal to ensure that no royalties would be
20 owed on whatever design came out of the Future DRAM
21 Task Group?

22 A. My goal was that it would be an open standard
23 and it would be free. I do not know if we achieved
24 that goal.

25 Q. And again, let's see if we can just try to

1 focus. I just want you to confirm or not whatever the
2 case is, that your goal -- not what you achieved, but
3 your goal -- was to ensure that no royalties would be
4 owed with respect to a product manufactured in
5 accordance with the design that came out of the Future
6 DRAM Task Group.

7 A. I'd say it was a general goal.

8 Q. Okay. And in order to do that, one of the
9 things you wanted to do was make sure that you avoided
10 including in the standard anything that was the subject
11 of patents, correct?

12 A. As part of the goal, did we -- I just don't
13 know if we have been able to achieve that.

14 Q. And again, sir, I'm not asking what you
15 achieved at the moment. I'm just asking you, wasn't it
16 your goal to try to do a design that would avoid
17 patents?

18 A. We didn't talk -- I wouldn't say -- we didn't
19 have a goal of doing a design that would try to do
20 patent -- you know, that would try to -- that hit your
21 exact statement. Our goal was to have an open standard
22 and have it be free. If that means what -- I don't
23 know if that fits exactly your definition of what you
24 said, but that's what those words say, and that's what
25 those words mean.

1 Q. Well, let me take you away from the words for a
2 moment and just ask you about what was in your mind in
3 1998 and 1999 as you started chairing the Future DRAM
4 Task Group. Can we put yourself back in that same
5 time?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Were you trying to develop a design that would
8 not infringe upon the patents of companies that might
9 feel that they were entitled to royalties?

10 A. That wasn't in my mind. My mind was to develop
11 a standard that would be widely adopted throughout the
12 world, and in my mind, that meant that this needed to
13 be an open standard, and based on my knowledge, the
14 previous open standards were free, and so I was just
15 carrying on with the tradition of the open standard.

16 I didn't put thought into patents or what was
17 happening in the world surrounding patents or the
18 issues of third-party companies with patents.

19 Q. Well, when was the first Future DRAM Task Group
20 meeting where patents were discussed?

21 A. You mean where someone brought up a patent
22 issue?

23 Q. No, where any patents were discussed at the
24 meeting.

25 A. I just don't recall that date. I don't know --

1 I mean, I know there were -- you know, as in any JEDEC
2 meeting, sometimes there are people -- you know, people
3 that are required to disclose their patents and their
4 pending patents and, you know, and any knowledge of
5 anybody else's patents. So, I am sure during the
6 course of the Future DRAM Task Group, those situations
7 came up, and people did make those statements.

8 Q. Well, patents of third parties were discussed
9 at the Future DRAM Task Group meetings, were they not?

10 A. It was -- there have been -- I don't recall if
11 it was third parties or if it was the companies that
12 owned the patents themselves. There could have been
13 both. I just don't remember.

14 Q. Well, more specifically, weren't Rambus patents
15 discussed at meetings of the Future DRAM Task Group?

16 A. The only time Rambus was discussed was at the
17 initial meetings where we were trying to identify the
18 basic -- you know, the basis that we should start with
19 for the DDR2 standard. I don't recall discussions on
20 Rambus intellectual property at the meetings.

21 Q. Don't you recall discussions at meetings of
22 doing the design in particular ways to avoid IP
23 problems?

24 A. Yes, I mean, when -- if someone brought up a
25 patent issue, it is the responsibility of the committee

1 to understand that issue and examine alternatives.

2 Q. And wasn't it true that among the IP problems
3 that were brought up at these meetings were discussions
4 of Rambus patents?

5 A. I don't recall direct discussions on the Rambus
6 patents.

7 Q. When did you, Mr. Macri --

8 A. I just don't recall that.

9 Q. -- when did you first learn that Rambus had
10 patents that would impact the design of a DRAM?

11 A. It was probably through the press, you know,
12 the public -- you know, there was a lot of public
13 statements made or, you know, lawsuits that were filed,
14 down that line. You know, I did not search out any --
15 I did not do any patent searches myself.

16 Q. Well, you knew about Rambus patents before
17 January -- before September of 2000, didn't you?

18 A. Yes, I was -- yes, there was -- I had
19 definitely read things in the press before then.

20 Q. Okay. Now, did any -- before January -- let
21 me -- before September of 2000, did any of the DRAM
22 manufacturers talk to you about what they knew about
23 Rambus patents?

24 A. I'm sure during my many meetings with the DRAM
25 companies, someone may have mentioned something about a

1 Rambus patent, but more in a conversation of what was
2 going on in the public space. I mean, it was -- you
3 know, in the engineering community, it was a -- you
4 know, the lawsuits surrounding Rambus and the
5 litigation and stuff was, you know, discussed, but not
6 in the context of, you know, DDR2 specifically.

7 Q. Before there was any litigation, before you
8 knew of the litigation, did DRAM manufacturers come to
9 you and say, you know, we're aware of Rambus patents,
10 and we're looking at whether we should modify our
11 designs to avoid any possible infringement of those
12 patents?

13 A. I don't recall direct conversations with -- I'm
14 just trying to think. I can't remember if there were
15 conversations before or after that date, if it happened
16 before or after the litigation. I just don't remember.

17 Q. You did learn at some point that among the
18 claims that Rambus had were claims that might cover
19 programmable CAS latency, programmable burst length,
20 the use of dual edge clocking and the use of DLL on
21 chip, correct?

22 A. I did become aware of those, yes.

23 Q. Okay.

24 A. Are you -- did you ask in this particular time
25 frame or just ever?

1 Q. I did not ask you a particular time.

2 A. At some point, I did become aware of those.

3 Q. And you first became aware of the Rambus design
4 in the early nineties, did you not?

5 A. Yes, when I was at Digital Equipment
6 Corporation.

7 Q. You had a meeting, am I not correct, with Dr.
8 Farmwald and Mr. Hampel of Rambus in the early 1990
9 time frame?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And they explained to you the Rambus technology
12 and design?

13 A. It was a -- not at the detail level; just at
14 the conceptual level. And we spent more time talking
15 about -- not the details of the Rambus design, but
16 actually the details of a prediction method with
17 Farmwald. He had a -- kind of a really neat idea, and
18 I went off and performance-modeled it for a while, but
19 it was -- that was a kind of a general idea, and that's
20 what --

21 JUDGE MCGUIRE: Okay, let's just stick to the
22 question here. I think we're getting a little beyond
23 the scope of the question.

24 MR. STONE: Thank you, Your Honor.

25 BY MR. STONE:

1 Q. And in the time frame when you had your meeting
2 with Dr. Farmwald and Mr. Hampel, they left you with
3 some documents about Rambus and its technology, didn't
4 they?

5 A. They may have, yes. I just don't remember.

6 Q. And didn't you know at that time that one of
7 the features of the Rambus design was the use of dual
8 edge clock?

9 A. Oh, I wasn't interested in -- I don't recall
10 being interested in that particular feature at all. I
11 was interested in the higher level architecture of the
12 DRAM, not the low-level architecture of the DRAM.

13 Q. And not to be derogatory with the use of "high"
14 and "low" in terms of levels, but let me ask you one
15 more question which may be on a low level.

16 Didn't you also become aware in the early
17 nineties that Rambus' technology included the use of a
18 DLL?

19 A. Again, that would be a low-level issue. I was
20 concerned with more the serial packet nature. That's
21 what I was more interested -- that's what I was
22 interested in. How the DRAM was clocked in the early
23 nineties was what I would call a nit, a very low-level
24 thing that would be interesting if we wanted to go down
25 that path, but at the beginning, we always work at a

1 high-level architectural phase, which doesn't really
2 care about any of those issues. It's more the
3 performance modeling phase.

4 So, we're -- we're looking at the big picture,
5 not at, you know, really the nits of the design. I
6 mean, that's almost irrelevant at that stage.

7 Q. Didn't you ultimately become involved in the --
8 helping the design of the alpha servers at DEC?

9 A. No, I wasn't at DEC at the time they did the
10 alpha servers. The -- well, I guess the alpha
11 microprocessors I did, but not -- you know, in these --
12 the alpha servers I guess indirectly, by working on the
13 microprocessors, I did participate in the alpha
14 servers.

15 Q. And did you have any involvement while you were
16 at DEC in introducing RDRAM products into your design?

17 A. No, the only thing I did was do some initial
18 research in how to emulate a different DRAM using a
19 combination of RDRAM and some on-chip features. That
20 was only done at the research stage, and that work went
21 nowhere. All of the use of RDRAM at DEC, I believe,
22 took place after I left.

23 Q. And then when you arrived at Silicon Graphics,
24 did you find that they were working on designs that
25 utilized RDRAM?

1 A. Not in the part of the company that I worked
2 in.

3 Q. Did you --

4 A. I worked --

5 Q. -- did you know that they were in other parts
6 of the company?

7 A. Yes, but I wasn't aware of the details of what
8 they were doing.

9 Q. And then when you -- when you went to ArtX,
10 were you involved with any RDRAM products there?

11 A. Ah, we -- we had no RDRAM products.

12 Q. Did you work at all on the Nintendo product
13 when you were at SGI?

14 A. No.

15 Q. Earlier, when there was some testimony about
16 Nintendo, that's a product that you were not involved
17 with at SGI?

18 A. I was not involved with the Nintendo product at
19 SGI.

20 Q. The -- look, if you would, still at 2234, and
21 go, if you would, to page 10. In 1999 when you
22 prepared Exhibit RX-2234 for the presentation you gave
23 at the Platform Conference, did you present at that
24 time a list of features that you were contemplating
25 would be in DDR2 that would have enhanced the cost or

1 improve the cost of the product?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Was one of those improvements the elimination
4 of a burst interrupt command?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And was that something you were recommending in
7 1999?

8 A. I myself, yes, did recommend that we remove
9 that command.

10 Q. Okay. And in 1999, was it one of the
11 contemplated cost improvements that you would use a
12 fixed burst length of four?

13 A. It wasn't due to costing that we did that.
14 There was an overriding goal of DDR2 to be simple. A
15 DRAM specification is quite thick, and as an engineer,
16 I didn't like that, and so the goal was to remove all
17 unneeded features unless someone could justify them.

18 And at the time, this is where we -- you know,
19 we thought we could remove this feature because no one
20 could come up with a compelling justification.

21 Q. And if you removed the programmable burst
22 length, was it expected that that would reduce testing
23 costs?

24 A. Whenever you make something simpler, you remove
25 something to test, you always remove some costs from

1 the test perspective.

2 Q. So, the answer to my question is yes?

3 A. But it's because of simpler is simpler. I
4 can't put it any simpler than that.

5 Q. Einstein said something about that, didn't he?
6 Make it as simple as you can but not too simple?

7 A. Not any simpler, I believe.

8 Q. Not any simpler.

9 JUDGE McGUIRE: Actually, that should apply to
10 this proceeding as well.

11 MR. STONE: Yes, it should.

12 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor.

13 BY MR. STONE:

14 Q. And in 1999 when you prepared RX-2234, it was
15 also your desire to eliminate certain of the latencies,
16 correct, what are here described as the half-cycle
17 latencies?

18 A. Yes, in the same vein, for simplicity.

19 Q. Now, the burst length that was used -- that is
20 currently used by ATI in its products is what?

21 A. It is predominantly burst four.

22 Q. Okay. So, going to a fixed burst length of
23 four would not adversely impact ATI's product line,
24 would it?

25 A. I would say that's a true statement. I am not

1 100 percent sure that would be true of every design in
2 our product line, but I would say for the most part,
3 that is true.

4 Q. Let me ask you, you have also right on the
5 right-hand side, you have your demonstrative, DX-46, if
6 we could bring that up and go to the fourth page of it,
7 if you wouldn't mind.

8 Between June of 2001 and September of 2001,
9 there were certain changes made in the specifications
10 for DDR2, right?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. That's why we see the upper sloping line?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. And did one of those changes relate to burst
15 length?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. What was the change that related to burst
18 length that occurred during the time period June
19 through September 2001?

20 A. The committee had received a presentation by
21 both Intel and AMD that showed there were performance
22 gains for adding back burst eight and also showing
23 performance gains by adding a very simple burst
24 interrupt so that you could interrupt a burst eight and
25 turn it into a burst four. Those presentations were

1 justified on performance, but they were also justified
2 on the fact that they would be nondisruptive changes to
3 the design.

4 Q. But it hadn't been disruptive to have in the
5 design a fixed burst length up until that point, had
6 it?

7 A. Our goal was simplicity, and since previously
8 no one was able to come up with a performance
9 justification, that's why we simplified it.

10 Q. Okay, and my question asked you about
11 disruptive. My question was, was it disruptive to have
12 had a fixed burst length of four in the specifications
13 prior to September of 2001?

14 A. I guess I -- I don't understand why -- how
15 you -- what you mean by "disruptive." It was the
16 consensus of the group, so I guess by definition -- you
17 know, I don't know. I just --

18 JUDGE MCGUIRE: Well, restate, Mr. Stone, so he
19 understands your question.

20 THE WITNESS: I don't understand.

21 BY MR. STONE:

22 Q. Let me ask it this way, Mr. Macri: You told us
23 a little earlier that certain changes would be
24 disruptive if you had to make them.

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Do you remember that?

2 It wasn't thought to be disruptive to designing
3 products that there be a fixed burst length of four,
4 was it?

5 A. Well, the burst length of four issue was
6 decided early on, and when you do stuff early on,
7 there's never a disruption. When the change was made
8 between June and September of 2001, it was critical at
9 that point that the addition of this functionality not
10 be disruptive, because that was later in time, but
11 burst -- going to the burst four only was decided very
12 early on, so there -- just by definition, there could
13 be no disruption, because it was done early in time
14 before any designs were started.

15 Q. So, if in April of 1998 a decision was made to
16 have burst length four -- which it was made to go with
17 it at that time, right?

18 A. I'm not sure. It was early in that time frame,
19 sometime after that I imagine.

20 Q. Okay, so -- I didn't mean to interrupt you. I
21 apologize.

22 So, if an early decision was made to go with
23 burst length four and you had stayed with a fixed burst
24 length throughout, that would not have been disruptive?

25 A. Yeah, with no change, by definition, how can

1 you have a disruption?

2 Q. Okay. And if you had early on decided to go
3 with a fixed CAS latency and had stayed with a fixed
4 CAS latency throughout, that would not be a disruptive
5 change, would it?

6 A. Well, we didn't make that decision because it
7 would have been disruptive. So, you have to remember,
8 we started with the DDR1 device as the base, and we
9 said, what can we simplify and not cause any issues?
10 So, at the time, we were mistaken on the burst length.
11 We thought we could simplify it and not suffer any
12 performance losses. As engineers, sometimes we're
13 wrong, and we were wrong.

14 On the CAS latency, obviously we didn't make
15 that decision, so if we would have made that decision,
16 it would have been disruptive. If we would have made
17 the decision to go to a fixed CAS length at that time,
18 because we were starting with the DDR1 as a base, that
19 would have been disruptive. Otherwise, we probably
20 would have made that decision, too.

21 Q. And if you had decided in -- early on in the
22 DDR2 process to go with single data rate, in your view,
23 that would have been disruptive?

24 A. Yes, because we were starting with the DDR1 as
25 a base. Our goal was backwards compatibility. The

1 group obviously thought keeping the same general
2 clocking scheme, where clocking scheme means using
3 strobes to move data and having the strobes be loosely
4 coupled to clock, changing that would have been
5 disruptive.

6 Q. And it was considered by you to have been
7 disruptive to consider removing the DLL from the chip,
8 even if you had considered that early in the DDR2
9 process?

10 A. Because it would have affected that fundamental
11 clocking scheme.

12 Q. Yes.

13 A. That's my belief. I can't speak for other
14 people's belief.

15 Q. Okay. And when you decided as a group to
16 introduce programmable burst length sometime between
17 June and September of 2001, you knew that including
18 programmable burst length might result in infringing
19 Rambus patents, did you not?

20 A. We knew -- we knew that it was in DDR1 --

21 Q. I'm sorry, you knew it was --

22 A. We knew it was in the DDR1 standard, and it was
23 unclear to me if that would infringe on a Rambus
24 patent.

25 Q. Well, you knew that Rambus thought it would

1 infringe.

2 A. Yes, but that's different than infringing on a
3 Rambus patent.

4 Q. Yes. You knew that Rambus thought it would
5 infringe, correct?

6 A. Rambus -- I -- you know, I think they would
7 have thought it would have infringed. I don't know if
8 it would have infringed their patent. That's
9 different.

10 Q. And did you make any effort to find out?

11 A. No. I did not make any personal effort to, you
12 know, read through the piles of documents or whatever
13 to determine on the DDR2 standard if this decision
14 process would -- I'm not in a position to make that
15 call. I don't -- I'm an engineer. That's a legal
16 issue.

17 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Ms. Kordziel?

18 NEW SPEAKER: I just want to object to -- he's
19 a fact witness, to the extent this his questions are
20 calling for a legal conclusion, and I just wanted to
21 object and caution the witness not to reveal any
22 attorney-client privilege.

23 JUDGE McGUIRE: So noted.

24 Proceed.

25 BY MR. STONE:

1 Q. Mr. Macri, did you -- after a proposal was made
2 to introduce programmable burst length into the DDR2
3 standard, did you make any effort before you went down
4 that path to determine whether or not doing so might
5 result in the infringement of a Rambus patent?

6 A. I am not in a position to make that decision.

7 Q. And sir, let me just --

8 A. I don't understand how I could go --

9 Q. Mr. Macri, let me interrupt you. I'm not
10 asking you what you were in a position to do. I'm just
11 asking you whether you did something or didn't do
12 something. I'm trying to make it as simple as I can,
13 if that helps.

14 A. Well, it's -- you're asking me --

15 JUDGE MCGUIRE: All right, he hasn't asked you
16 a question now, Mr. Macri. Let him just take a second,
17 and Mr. Stone, you can state your next question.

18 BY MR. STONE:

19 Q. Let me try to put it as simply as I can, Mr.
20 Macri, because I don't want to get into areas that
21 concern your lawyer.

22 After a proposal was made to introduce
23 programmable burst length to the Future DRAM Task
24 Group, did you, as the chair of that task group, do
25 anything in an effort to determine whether making that

1 change might result in the infringement of Rambus
2 patents?

3 A. I just don't know -- I don't know how to answer
4 that question, because I don't have -- at the time, I
5 didn't have the ability to determine these things, and
6 I never waste my time doing something I don't have the
7 ability to determine. I'm a busy person. I apply my
8 time very conservatively, and that would have been --
9 other people are in a position to make that call, not
10 myself.

11 Q. Did you ask anyone to report to the Future DRAM
12 Task Group on that issue?

13 A. I do not recall assigning anyone a task to do
14 that.

15 Q. Did anyone talk at the Future DRAM Task Group
16 committee about whether introducing programmable burst
17 length might result in the infringement of Rambus
18 patents?

19 A. I don't recall that.

20 Q. Okay. But you knew at the time that Rambus
21 contended that programmable burst length was subject to
22 their patents and that that feature would infringe,
23 correct?

24 A. At that time, I did have knowledge that Rambus
25 may have believed that statement. Whether that

1 statement is true was not for me to determine. They
2 could have believed anything they wanted about anything
3 in the universe.

4 Q. You knew that was an issue in the litigation
5 that was then pending.

6 A. Well, I wasn't aware of pending litigation, but
7 in America, you can sue over anything. I don't believe
8 every lawsuit has -- you know, a lawsuit does not mean
9 the reason for the lawsuit has merit. I believe there
10 has to be a judgment.

11 Q. Did you say I wasn't aware of any pending
12 litigation or I was?

13 A. No, I said I was aware. All I said was the
14 fact of a lawsuit does not mean it's true.

15 Q. Let me ask you about a couple of documents you
16 were shown earlier today. If you would, look at
17 CX-370.

18 A. 378 or --

19 Q. 3-7-0. It's the "Existing DDR proposals do not
20 work" chart.

21 A. Okay, I've got it.

22 Q. Do you have that?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. When was it that you made this presentation?

25 A. I believe Marty and I did it a couple of days

1 before the meeting. We did it on the fly like usual.

2 Q. No, I -- could you give me like a month and a
3 year maybe?

4 A. Well, it was in 1997. Since we gave the
5 presentation on 7/15, it was probably done somewhere
6 between 7/13 and 7/15.

7 Q. Okay, that's all I needed for my purposes.

8 This was before the Future DRAM Task Group had
9 been formed?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Early on in your attendance at JEDEC?

12 A. Yes. First meeting actually.

13 Q. Your first meeting?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And you were -- you're proposing that certain
16 aspects of the then-existing DDR proposals did not
17 work.

18 A. We were concerned with some issues. The
19 statement, as I previously testified at the beginning,
20 was kind of a slap in the face to the committee. We
21 had never been there, and we knew we needed to be
22 noticed in order to be heard, and there's no better way
23 than telling a bunch of engineers they're wrong.
24 They'll notice you.

25 Q. And what you were talking about then is the

1 DDR1 proposal?

2 A. Yes, this was the only DDR proposal being
3 considered.

4 Q. And what changes were made in the DDR1 proposal
5 after your presentation that resulted from issues you
6 raised in your presentation?

7 A. Let me review this for a moment.

8 Q. Certainly.

9 A. I need to review this presentation to remember
10 what we... (Document review.)

11 Now, this presentation, I believe that nothing
12 was adopted.

13 Q. Oh, so you came in, you slapped them in the
14 face, you got noticed, you said there's these things
15 wrong with your proposal, and they rejected everything
16 you said?

17 A. Ah, at the -- through discussion,
18 essentially -- I believe they already had planned for a
19 DLL disable mode at the time. We wanted to ensure that
20 that was there. We didn't know it was there at the
21 time. I don't believe this proposal had anything to do
22 with it ending up in the final specification.

23 As I said, you know, you always believe you're
24 right as an engineer, but sometimes you're wrong. I
25 think, you know, we had a lot of good ideas here, but

1 they were too disruptive to the standard, where it was,
2 and they weren't adopted, just like many of the
3 proposals I have made over the years.

4 Q. Okay. Look, if you would, at Exhibit CX-379A,
5 which is an email chain, the most recent one of which
6 is from you dated April 28th of 1998. You were shown
7 this earlier as well.

8 A. 379A?

9 Q. 379A.

10 A. I have got 379, but it doesn't have an A on it,
11 and it's -- it starts -- I don't know if this is --

12 JUDGE MCGUIRE: All right, let's go off the
13 record for a minute and maybe you can help him.

14 (Pause in the proceedings.)

15 JUDGE MCGUIRE: On the record.

16 BY MR. STONE:

17 Q. Directing your attention to what you were shown
18 earlier today, which is CX-379A, let me ask you, if you
19 would, to turn to page 8. Now, what we're looking at
20 on page 8 is an email from someone to a bunch of other
21 people, correct? Is it from you or from someone else?

22 A. I believe this was -- all this data was sent by
23 me to the group, and the group is the Future DRAM Task
24 Group.

25 Q. So, you believe you're the author of this?

1 A. I didn't write this information. I reviewed it
2 and forwarded it to the group.

3 Q. Do you know who wrote it?

4 A. Let me double-check. I think it might actually
5 be -- I believe it was Jim Rogers and possibly Ken
6 McGhee also had something to do with this, but I just
7 reviewed it.

8 Q. Okay, let me focus you to the bottom part of
9 page 8, if we can, where it says, "Paul Coteus," from
10 there to the end of the page.

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Is what follows after the name Paul Coteus a
13 reference to -- the next two lines to what he said? Is
14 that how you understand this document?

15 A. That would make sense, yes.

16 Q. And was there a discussion on the possible use
17 of verniers at this particular meeting to which
18 Exhibit-379A relates?

19 A. Yes, this would be verniers on the memory
20 controller, not on the DRAM.

21 Q. And then did you at the same meeting where it
22 says "Joe Macri," it says, "Do we need only one DRAM
23 device type," is that a reference to something you said
24 at the meeting?

25 A. I don't recall saying it, but it could be

1 something I said, yes.

2 Q. Then turn, if you would, to just the last page.

3 A. That would be page 10?

4 Q. That would be page 10.

5 There's a reference three lines down that says,

6 "Joe Macri: Should we force the issue with SDF?

7 Should we merge the SDF into this task group?

8 Everybody said yes."

9 Do you see that?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And is SDF a reference to the Server

12 Development Forum?

13 A. Yes, I believe so.

14 Q. Okay. Let me ask you, if you would, to look at

15 CX-132, which is the minutes of the Future DRAM Task

16 Group dated July 23rd, 1998 that we looked at earlier.

17 A. Okay.

18 Q. Just a couple of questions on this. On the

19 first page, page 1, there's a reference to Tim Van

20 Hook, a guest speaker, and then it summarizes some of

21 the things from his talk.

22 Do you see that?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And he was the chief technology officer at

25 ArtX, the company that you had previously worked at.

1 Is that right?

2 A. Correct.

3 Q. And were you still at ArtX at the time?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And on these particular minutes, you'll notice
6 it starts off with an introduction, and then it goes to
7 guest speaker, and you'll see there's no reference to
8 any discussion of any patent policy at this meeting.

9 Do you see that?

10 A. Yes, I don't see the meeting -- the reference.

11 Q. And then if you would look at the sign-in sheet
12 for this meeting, which begins on page 6 and continues
13 on through page 8, was this the normal way a sign-in
14 sheet was done at your Future DRAM Task Group meetings?
15 That is, a piece of paper would be passed around and
16 people would sign in on it?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Okay. There wasn't any formalized sign-in
19 sheet that had certain language on it where you signed
20 in?

21 A. Ah, I think it was -- I'm just not sure. I
22 mean, I don't know if this was a notebook sheet or if
23 this was something that Ken McGhee had circulated. I
24 just don't recall how the sign-in sheet was done. I
25 was too busy managing the meeting.

1 Q. As you look at this sign-in sheet, it appears,
2 does it not, not to have any preprinted language on it?

3 A. All I see is name --

4 JUDGE McGUIRE: The Court takes notice; it
5 speaks for itself.

6 MR. STONE: Thank you, Your Honor.

7 BY MR. STONE:

8 Q. Let me ask you now, if you would, to look at
9 CX-426. This was the minutes of a conference call you
10 had to discuss certain clock timing issues with a
11 subgroup of the Future DRAM Task Group, correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. At the conclusion of this call, was there a
14 consensus that you would not go with single data rate?

15 A. I'm not sure if it was at the conclusion of
16 this call or if it was when we reviewed this during the
17 larger committee meeting. I just don't recall when we
18 made that -- that exact decision.

19 Q. Look, if you would, at page 4 of this document.
20 Down at the bottom, under Overall Summary, item number
21 3, doesn't that read, "Single data rate clock is
22 preferred provided that we can make it work"?

23 A. Yes, and in the context of this, that would
24 mean if we were to go and do large -- you know, this
25 large-scale change.

1 Q. So, if you made a large change, the preference
2 was for single data rate?

3 A. That's what that statement says, yes.

4 Q. And that was the consensus of this call, wasn't
5 it?

6 A. Ah, I would assume so, yes. There was -- the
7 word "preferred" also used in the previous two -- two
8 statements. I think the real -- the overriding
9 question during these calls were, one, we decided to
10 have a call where we can think out of the box, so, I
11 mean, I think the overriding question was always do we
12 make a wholesale change, but this is free thinking.
13 This was a free thinking call to see if we could come
14 up with something cool, better.

15 Q. And the summary of the conclusion of the free
16 thinking call was that single data rate clock was
17 preferred?

18 A. If it -- if it -- I believe so, based on this
19 statement.

20 Q. Okay. Was it a part of your proposal for the
21 Future DRAM Task Group to borrow features from other
22 designs to use in what you were putting together?

23 A. Well, we started with the DDR1 SDRAM as the
24 basis for the design, so the fact of -- we, of course,
25 borrowed everything from the DDR1 design.

1 Q. And was it also a part of your plan to also
2 borrow from SRAM designs?

3 A. I would put it as good engineers don't
4 re-invent things for nothing.

5 Q. It's -- does that mean yes, it was part of your
6 goal to borrow from SRAM design?

7 A. I wouldn't say it was part of a goal. It's
8 just that as a good engineer, you invent what you need
9 to invent. You don't just go -- it's like the wheel's
10 invented. We don't invent the wheel over again.

11 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, I'm going to try to ask
12 you, sir, just to try to answer his question as it's
13 stated. I understand the context of what you're
14 saying, you can't always answer every question up or
15 down, but to the extent you can, we can move on, and we
16 won't have to spend a lot of time on this.

17 BY MR. STONE:

18 Q. Was it also part of your plan to borrow from
19 the SLDRAM design?

20 A. Not my particular plan. There were -- there
21 were people that believed -- other people that believed
22 that.

23 Q. Let me ask you to look back, if you would, to
24 RX-2234.

25 A. Is that one we just went through or --

1 Q. That was one we did earlier. It was the first
2 document we looked at when I started my examination.
3 It's your presentation to the 1999 Platform Conference.

4 A. Okay.

5 Q. Do you need some help in finding it?

6 A. No, there it is. I've got it.

7 Q. Look, if you would, at page 3 of RX-2234. In
8 the presentation you gave in 1999 about Future DRAM
9 Task Group, did you say in the last line on page 3 that
10 one of the things the group was going to do was borrow
11 from the design of SRAMs, SLDRAMs and others?

12 A. Those were examples I used.

13 Q. Okay. Before the Future DRAM Task Group was
14 formed, there were discussions of removing the DLL from
15 the design of DDR1, correct?

16 A. Yes, I believe so.

17 Q. And in fact, at a JEDEC meeting, you suggested
18 to Toshiba that the DLL be removed from the design.

19 A. I don't recall who I suggested it to, but I
20 know I -- at one point, I had a belief that the DLL
21 should be removed.

22 Q. Let me ask you to take a look at RX-927.

23 May I approach, Your Honor?

24 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.

25 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

1 BY MR. STONE:

2 Q. Do you recognize Exhibit RX-927 as a copy of an
3 email that you received on or about May 21st of 1997?

4 A. Yes, it was sent to me. Just give me a moment
5 to review it so I can see if I can remember it.

6 (Document review.) Okay, I don't remember this exact
7 email, but I do remember -- distinctly remember, you
8 know, questioning the DLL part.

9 Q. Okay. And is this a -- this document, RX-927,
10 a report of a meeting that you attended with
11 representatives from Toshiba?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Okay. And on the second page of the document,
14 as I think you just referred to, item number 7 says
15 that Joe Macri suggested that Toshiba remove the DLL or
16 that they at least include a bypass around the DLL.

17 Do you see that reference?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And is that as far as you know a correct
20 statement of what occurred at this meeting in May of
21 1997?

22 A. Yeah, it would be consistent with my belief at
23 the time.

24 Q. Okay. You know Mr. Hans Wiggers, do you not?

25 A. Yes, I do know Hans Wiggers.

1 Q. And what position did he have in 1997?

2 A. He worked at the HP labs. I'm not sure of his
3 position.

4 Q. Let me show you, if I can, what's previously
5 been marked as RX-1060.

6 May I, Your Honor?

7 JUDGE MCGUIRE: Yes.

8 BY MR. STONE:

9 Q. Mr. Macri, you will notice that Exhibit RX-1060
10 is an email from Mr. Wiggers to you dated November 18,
11 1997.

12 A. Give me a moment to refresh myself. (Document
13 review.) Okay, I've familiarized myself with it.

14 Q. Do you recognize this to be an email that you
15 received from Mr. Wiggers in November of 1997?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. And this was in response to an email you
18 had sent to him, correct?

19 A. Yes, I think I asked him if he wanted to get
20 together to just have a chat. I think it says right
21 here, draw some pictures.

22 Q. And you were trying to draw together a group of
23 various people, including Mr. Wiggers?

24 A. Yeah, it was sent to -- let's see, I know Bill
25 is here. I don't recall how many people I -- it

1 wasn't -- it was maybe Hans and Bill were maybe the two
2 people I was trying to get together.

3 Q. And in his email back to you, he says -- and
4 this is a discussion, is it not, about DLL?

5 A. This was a discussion -- the top section or the
6 bottom section?

7 Q. The top section includes a discussion about
8 DLL?

9 A. Yes, it does.

10 Q. And there's a statement in there about, oh,
11 four or five lines down which says, "There is some
12 nervousness about the required accuracy," and that
13 refers to the DLL, does it not?

14 A. That refers to the DLL in a noisy DRAM
15 environment, yes.

16 Q. Then it goes on to say, "but in principle, they
17 all know how to do DLL's since they have a license for
18 the 'dark side.'"

19 Do you see that?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And you understood that at the time you
22 received it to be a reference to Rambus, the reference
23 to the "dark side," correct?

24 A. Yeah, I mean, that was my interpretation
25 from -- from that wording, just because of the -- you

1 know, the attitude of some people in the world towards
2 that company.

3 Q. And you knew that what he was referring to was
4 that DRAM manufacturers had learned how to effectively
5 implement DLLs on a chip from Rambus, because they had
6 a license to use Rambus' technology, correct?

7 A. That was his statement. I did not know
8 anything that the DRAM manufacturers knew about the DLL
9 design or how they developed them. DLLs were not --
10 DLLs are very old technology, very, very old
11 technology. So, I -- my worry always was the memory
12 vendors putting the DLL in a noisy environment, not --
13 I mean, how to do a DLL, that's been -- that's old
14 stuff.

15 Q. Just so we can be clear here, what you
16 understood Mr. Wiggers to be saying to you was that the
17 DRAM manufacturers had learned how to put a DLL on a
18 DRAM chip in what you call a noisy environment from
19 Rambus, correct?

20 A. I don't know what Hans was thinking. I -- his
21 statement is here, but I'm not going to interpret where
22 they learned anything, because they probably learned it
23 from their professors in school like most of us.

24 Q. My question was not that, Mr. Macri.

25 A. I know that.

1 Q. Let me go back --

2 A. Then I don't understand your question.

3 Q. Let me ask my question again, if I can, so we
4 can try to get a clear record.

5 You understood Mr. Wiggers to be saying to you
6 that in his view, the DRAM manufacturers had learned
7 how to implement the DLL on a DRAM chip in a noisy
8 environment from Rambus, correct?

9 A. He didn't state anything about a noisy
10 environment. All he says -- his statement says what it
11 says.

12 Q. Okay.

13 A. I do not --

14 Q. I'll take it at that. That's fine.

15 A. I don't want to think what he was thinking.

16 Q. Okay.

17 JUDGE McGUIRE: Objection sustained.

18 MR. STONE: Thank you.

19 BY MR. STONE:

20 Q. You were shown earlier I believe CX-2315. Do
21 you have that in front of you or is it easier if I just
22 give you another copy?

23 May I approach, Your Honor?

24 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.

25 THE WITNESS: It's always easier if you give me

1 another copy.

2 BY MR. STONE:

3 Q. I'll just hand you another copy of it. Here
4 you go.

5 A. Okay, thank you.

6 Q. Do you recall looking at this email earlier
7 today?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. You -- when you were asked about this email
10 earlier, you were asked about I think the bottom of the
11 first page of CX-2315. Do you recall that?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And at the time that you -- let me strike that.

14 When you wrote this email, the one that's on
15 the bottom of the first page, and you talked about the
16 world transitioning from EDO to SDR, you were talking
17 about a transition in DRAMs from extended data out to
18 the first of the SDRAM devices, correct?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And that was a change from an asynchronous
21 device to a synchronous device, correct?

22 A. Pseudo-asynchronous.

23 Q. Pseudo-asynchronous to synchronous, correct?

24 A. Yes. Well, pseudo-synchronous to synchronous.

25 Q. And the -- when you said here what was unclear

1 was not whether they would move but when they would
2 move, did you mean by that to say that there were no
3 choices other than moving from extended data out to
4 SDRAM?

5 A. That was the next standard DRAM that was being
6 discussed by JEDEC, so it was -- and I think they
7 would -- I do not know of other DRAM technologies in
8 that time frame that you could consider other than
9 maybe some -- there may have been proprietary stuff.

10 Q. When was the first time, to your knowledge,
11 that the customers who buy DRAMs had a choice as to
12 which path could be taken?

13 A. You mean between a new -- two new technologies
14 being introduced at the exact same time?

15 Q. Or roughly the same time.

16 A. That may have been the -- the Rambus case, I
17 think.

18 Q. And what was the choice --

19 A. At least to my knowledge.

20 Q. -- what was the choice between?

21 A. It would be between DDR or Rambus.

22 Q. And that's what you were talking about earlier
23 in your email where you said, "The world may stay SDR
24 until Rambus is available."

25 You thought that the world might choose Rambus

1 over DDR, right?

2 A. That's what -- the info that I had to date.
3 That info was based on what was in the public press.

4 Q. Did you have any personal knowledge on that
5 issue one way or the other on your own?

6 A. Like I stated earlier, that through
7 nondisclosure agreements, we saw road maps from the
8 DRAM vendors, and Rambus was on their road map.

9 Q. Now, the road maps you saw from the DRAM
10 vendors, you don't know whether what they were telling
11 you about their plans were the same things that they
12 were talking about internally, do you?

13 A. No, of course not.

14 Q. And for example, did any of the DRAM
15 manufacturers ever tell you that in their own view,
16 they thought of Rambus as a deadly menace to their
17 industry?

18 A. I don't recall them stating that, no.

19 Q. Did any of them ever tell you in the
20 conversations they had with you that they thought
21 Rambus was a threat to the DRAM manufacturers and could
22 turn them into foundries?

23 A. No, I mean -- no, no.

24 Q. Okay. There was a group mentioned in one of
25 the documents we looked at earlier, M14.

1 A. Um-hum.

2 Q. What was that? What was M14?

3 A. I don't believe it's a group. It was just
4 referring to the 14 memory companies that were in the
5 world at that point, but I don't believe there was
6 actually a group.

7 Q. Did you know whether or not there were meetings
8 of M14 or M9 or M11?

9 A. I did not have any knowledge of what the DRAM
10 manufacturers were up to.

11 Q. They never told you that they got together, did
12 they?

13 A. I did have knowledge through my work in JEDEC
14 that the Japanese DRAM makers, through their -- I want
15 to say it's EIJ, a trade organization in Japan maybe,
16 EIAJ, something like that, that I believe they would
17 get together to discuss issues, but I'm not -- I was
18 never privy to their discussions.

19 Q. Okay. If I could show you a document, we may
20 have looked at this earlier, it's RX-1306.

21 JUDGE MCGUIRE: Yes.

22 MR. STONE: May I just approach, Your Honor?

23 BY MR. STONE:

24 Q. Do you recognize RX-1306 as an email set of
25 minutes that you sent out for the Future DRAM Task

1 Force meeting that occurred in November of 1998?

2 A. It was actually two sets of minutes.

3 Q. Two sets of minutes?

4 A. One from September; one from October.

5 Q. Okay. So, this is your email sending out those
6 two sets of minutes, is it?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And if you could turn to page 3, Exhibit
9 RX-1306 --

10 A. Just to be clear, they are not my minutes.
11 They were reviewed by me.

12 Q. Okay. So, someone else writes them, you review
13 them, and then you send them out?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Okay. Turning to page 3 of the minutes that
16 you reviewed and sent out, RX-1306, do the minutes
17 begin about a third of the way down where it says,
18 "September 18, 1998, Future DRAM Task Group"?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And you'll see the very first heading is, "M9
21 Presentation. Fujitsu presented for M9."

22 Do you see that reference?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And is it -- is this meant to convey to
25 everyone that there was a presentation made on behalf

1 of the DRAM manufacturers with Fujitsu being the
2 presenter?

3 A. Yes, that would have been the case.

4 Q. And does this group include companies from the
5 U.S. as well as other countries?

6 A. IBM is mentioned.

7 Q. And Micron?

8 A. And Micron.

9 Q. And at this meeting, if you would turn to page
10 5, the fourth bullet point down where it starts, "Burst
11 interrupt for users, Jon Jasper did a nice survey.
12 Some discussion about variable burst length."

13 Do you see that reference?

14 A. Five?

15 Q. It's the third bullet point down, third and
16 fourth?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Was there a discussion at this meeting in
19 September of '98 about the possibility of eliminating
20 the variable burst length feature?

21 A. I just don't remember so many years ago, and it
22 would seem to indicate so since there was a note here.
23 I just don't remember. I'm sorry.

24 Q. That's okay.

25 Turn, if you would, to page 8, Mr. Macri.

1 Under the Action Items -- and we talked about the
2 heading Action Items earlier.

3 A. Um-hum.

4 Q. And I think this portion of the minutes is
5 still the September minutes, but I'm not positive.

6 A. Yes, it looks like the September minutes.

7 Q. Okay. Under Action Items, item number 3 says,
8 "Removing DLL and impact on turn around time," and I
9 believe you were asked about that earlier.

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Was someone at HP assigned the responsibility
12 to look into the possibility of removing DLL from the
13 design of DDR2?

14 A. Yes, that's indicated by these minutes.

15 Q. And who at HP was given that assignment?

16 A. I don't recall.

17 Q. Was there someone at IBM who undertook to
18 examine eliminating the variable burst length?

19 A. Yes, that's indicated here.

20 Q. And do you know who that was?

21 A. No, I don't recall.

22 Q. And was someone from MOSAID given the
23 responsibility to do a survey and see what the
24 preferred burst length would be of the various members
25 of the Future DRAM Task Group?

1 A. Yes, that would be -- that's indicated here
2 also.

3 Q. And do you know who that was?

4 A. I don't recall.

5 Q. Let me ask you, if you would, to take a look at
6 CX-137, which is minutes of the DRAM Future Task Group.

7 May I approach, Your Honor?

8 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.

9 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

10 BY MR. STONE:

11 Q. Do you recognize Exhibit CX-137 to be minutes
12 of your task group at a meeting that was held in
13 December of '98 in San Diego?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And let me direct you to the third page.
16 You'll notice item number -- it's on the right-hand
17 side, item number 10, "HP elimination of DLL
18 presentation." It's on the screen in front of you if
19 that's easier to read, Mr. Macri.

20 Do you see that there?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Now, do you have an independent recollection of
23 that presentation?

24 A. I remember that meeting. I don't remember that
25 exact presentation. Let me see if there's anything

1 here in the minutes that --

2 Q. Let me see if I can short-circuit that. I'm
3 not going to ask you about the details then of the --

4 A. It's just it was so many years ago.

5 Q. Let me ask you this, if you would turn back to
6 the first page.

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And you will see that there's one individual
9 from Hewlett Packard who appears on the list of
10 attendees.

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. A Mr. Johnson, is it?

13 A. Right, Jon Jasper.

14 Q. I'm sorry, then there's another one for -- I'm
15 not doing very good. There's another one for Hewlett
16 Packard.

17 A. I see one Hewlett Packard, but it's Mr. --

18 Q. One Hewlett Packard and one HP.

19 A. Jon Jasper from Hewlett Packard. Oh, there
20 are --

21 Q. Look up a little higher.

22 A. Oh, I see it, yes, Leith Johnson.

23 Q. Seeing those two names, does that at all jog
24 your memory as to who it was from HP who took
25 responsibility for this elimination of the DLL issue?

1 A. I don't believe it was Leith, because he was
2 focused more on -- I'm not -- I can't --

3 Q. Okay, that's fine.

4 A. -- confirm. I just -- I would believe -- I
5 would guess it might be Jon, just based on the type of
6 presentation.

7 Q. Now, look, if you would, at page 4, Mr. Macri,
8 of Exhibit CX-137. There is an item under the heading
9 Verniers.

10 Do you see that?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And it says, "IBM made another presentation --"
13 I'm having trouble reading it, if we could pick up
14 under Verniers.

15 "IBM made another presentation (see Attachment
16 I) that if we don't have data strobes -- that if we
17 have data strobes we don't necessarily need a DLL, but
18 if we have verniers, we don't necessarily need a
19 bi-directional data strobe."

20 Do you see that?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Earlier when I asked you about verniers, you
23 indicated that they were in the controller rather than
24 with respect to the DRAM?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Is this again a discussion related to the
2 controller, or is this a discussion related to use of
3 verniers on the DRAM, if you know?

4 A. I believe verniers there -- so, this -- can I
5 explain -- not just to pick out a piece of this
6 sentence, but give you some answer on both pieces or
7 just one? Verniers, I believe they were on the
8 controller.

9 Q. On the controller?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Okay, hang on to that one more minute.

12 Turn, if you would, to page 27 of CX-137, and
13 do you see at the bottom half of the page, there's a
14 sign which says -- it's a PLL with a symbol of "not"?
15 Do you see that? That's the heading. So, this was
16 part of a presentation of Why No PLL?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And then up above is their quote from Einstein
19 that I botched earlier?

20 A. I may have botched it, too.

21 Q. Yes, okay. That's all I have on that one.

22 Let me show you, if I might, CX-140, which is
23 the minutes of another DRAM Future Task Group.

24 May I, Your Honor?

25 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.

1 BY MR. STONE:

2 Q. Do you recognize these to be the minutes from
3 the meeting that was held in April of 1999 in Tokyo?

4 A. Give me one moment, please. (Document review.)
5 Yes.

6 Q. And turn, if you would, to page 3, item number
7 6. Is this a summary of your presentation at the
8 meeting regarding the basic philosophy of the Future
9 DRAM Task Group?

10 A. Yes, that's my synopsis of it.

11 Q. And did you review these minutes before they
12 were sent out?

13 A. Most probably, yes.

14 Q. You were shown earlier by Mr.

15 JUDGE McGUIRE: Davis.

16 BY MR. STONE:

17 Q. -- Davis -- I am sorry, that's very
18 embarrassing -- a copy of CX-398, which you may have in
19 front of you, but if I can approach, Your Honor, I'll
20 give you another copy so you don't have to hunt.

21 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.

22 THE WITNESS: That would be great.

23 BY MR. STONE:

24 Q. I know we're getting a stack here.

25 Do you recall seeing this document earlier?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And the -- this is an email exchange that
3 started way back on the second page of the document
4 with a note from Mr. Townsend to various people that
5 doesn't seem to include you and references you, though,
6 by name, and then somehow you get picked up on the
7 chain.

8 Do you see that?

9 A. I --

10 Q. If you look at the bottom of page 2, the
11 original message, I think, from Jim Townsend to Bill
12 Gervasi and a number of others, and I didn't -- oh,
13 you're there. Your name's there, Joe Macri. So, this
14 is where it started, right?

15 A. Um-hum.

16 Q. Then at some point you made a proposal to Mr.
17 Townsend, did you not, that the participants in the
18 JEDEC Future DRAM Task Group should patent the new
19 ideas that they came up with during the -- the course
20 of their work?

21 A. I think I stated in JEDEC. I mean, if -- it
22 was more of a question than a proposal, but I thought
23 it might be best if JEDEC owned all the DDR2 patents.

24 Q. Okay. And your idea was that if JEDEC could
25 own all the DDR2 patents, then they could charge

1 royalties to non-members if they wanted?

2 A. No, I think my exact statement here is JEDEC
3 owned all the DDR2 patents and then gave them away to
4 all the world for free.

5 Q. Well, then, was it Mr. Townsend's idea, if you
6 look at the first page of Exhibit CX-398 --

7 A. First page.

8 Q. -- if you look at the very first page, and if
9 you look at the third paragraph, you'll notice it says,
10 "If we then state that our work is intended to create a
11 common patent held by the Committee, it may result in
12 royalties from non-members, a fascinating incentive for
13 anyone involved to participate in the committee work.
14 That could be a substantial revenue stream."

15 Do you see that?

16 A. Yes, I see that.

17 Q. And was that something that you and Mr.
18 Townsend discussed after this email exchange?

19 A. No, my goal was always consistent with my
20 statement in the previous email, and that was something
21 that Jim stated.

22 Q. Okay. And did you have any knowledge one way
23 or the other about the accuracy of Mr. Townsend's
24 statement that Texas Instruments' revenues are 50
25 percent derived from patents?

1 A. I have no idea if that's accurate.

2 Q. Was there a discussion at your Future DRAM Task
3 Group meetings about certain MOSAID patents on DLL
4 features?

5 A. Could you --

6 Q. It's not in that document, Mr. Macri.

7 A. No, I'm not looking at the document. I just
8 have -- I'm just thinking. I can't recall exactly, but
9 I do recall --

10 Q. Let me see if I can show you a document that
11 will jog your memory in this respect.

12 May I, Your Honor?

13 JUDGE MCGUIRE: Go ahead.

14 BY MR. STONE:

15 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as RX-1457.
16 Do you recognize this to be a series of emails
17 involving Mr. Foss at MOSAID and various other persons,
18 including yourself?

19 A. Yes, I recognize it as an email.

20 Q. Okay. Do you recall any discussions regarding
21 the subject of MOSAID patents on DLLs in the course of
22 JEDEC meetings or Future DRAM Task Group meetings?

23 A. Just give me a moment to read through the whole
24 thing. Maybe it will jog my memory.

25 Q. Please.

1 A. (Document review.) I don't recall if -- I just
2 don't recall if this took place in a committee or in
3 the Future DRAM Task Group.

4 Q. Do you recall any discussion in any JEDEC
5 context?

6 A. Not directly. I'm not picturing it in my mind.
7 I don't recall a discussion in reference to the work
8 that we were doing in the Future DRAM Task Group.

9 Q. Do you recall anyone ever objecting that Mr.
10 Foss' disclosure of the DLL patents occurred after the
11 patents had issued rather than while they were in the
12 application stage?

13 A. No, I just don't recall this discussion.

14 Q. Do you recall anyone ever objecting that the
15 two-tiered license arrangement that Mr. Foss describes
16 in the top paragraph of this email chain was in any way
17 inappropriate?

18 A. I just don't recall right now.

19 Q. You'll notice he talked about a difference
20 depending on whether you license somebody broadly or
21 whether you license them just on the DLL patents.

22 Do you see that?

23 A. Yeah, he is inferring that he taught people DLL
24 design.

25 Q. I'm sorry?

1 A. He is inferring that he taught people DLL
2 stuff, but I don't recall this conversation.

3 Q. Well, if you look up at this Re: line, you will
4 see the Re: line is, "The MOSAID DLL patents."

5 MR. DAVIS: Objection, Your Honor. He has
6 already stated a couple of times that he doesn't
7 recall.

8 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes, he has. Sustained.

9 BY MR. STONE:

10 Q. Let me show you a document and ask if you can
11 confirm that this is Mr. Townsend's response to Mr.
12 Foss' email.

13 If I may approach, Your Honor, and show the
14 witness CX-400?

15 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.

16 BY MR. STONE:

17 Q. Can you identify CX-400 as a document that --
18 an email from Mr. Townsend to Mr. Foss, copied to a
19 variety of people, including yourself?

20 A. Yes, I was copied on it.

21 Q. And is this Mr. Townsend's response to the
22 two-tiered description in the exhibit we just looked
23 at, RX-1457?

24 A. It is Mr. Townsend's response.

25 Q. Did you ever after receipt of this email ever

1 raise with anyone that you thought the two tiers were
2 not reasonable?

3 A. No, I mean, this -- at the time frame of this,
4 I was not worried about JEDEC leadership issues. I was
5 more getting my hands around the task group and keeping
6 them focused. This would have been something that I
7 got copied on and, you know, I may have -- I don't
8 know -- I don't recall this, so I may never even have
9 read it. I just don't know.

10 Q. Let me take you back to some of your task group
11 issues, if I might. Do you recall Micron making a
12 proposal to go with fixed CAS latency during the course
13 of your Future DRAM Task Group meetings?

14 A. I recall there was a discussion on reducing
15 test costs, and Micron -- I'm not sure who did any
16 presentations, and I'm not sure -- I'm just not sure.

17 Q. Did Micron also make other proposals for how to
18 determine CAS latency other than the use of
19 programmable CAS latency as it had been used in DDR1?

20 A. I don't recall any direct presentations on
21 that. Maybe you can jog my memory.

22 MR. STONE: May I, Your Honor?

23 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.

24 BY MR. STONE:

25 Q. I've shown you, Mr. Macri, what's been

1 identified as CX-2766, a document that appears to be a
2 Micron presentation entitled Pin Selectable Posted CAS
3 for DDR-II.

4 A. Yes, I see that. I see that title.

5 Q. Do you have any recollection of this
6 presentation being made at a Future DRAM Task Group
7 meeting?

8 A. I mean, I do remember this discussion.

9 Q. Does this relate -- earlier today I think we
10 talked -- how can I phrase this -- let me ask it this
11 way, Mr. Macri: Can you explain to us what pin
12 selectable posted CAS for DDR2 is as it's referred to
13 in this document in a few sentences?

14 A. Posted CAS had to do with how the commands were
15 issued to the DRAM, the relative position between the
16 RAS command and the CAS command, and this allowed them
17 to be back to back or any number of cycles up to where
18 the CAS would be for, you know, a normal DDR1 SDRAM.

19 Q. Okay.

20 A. The pin selectability of that allowed more
21 dynamic control of where you place that CAS relative to
22 the RAS. That was the -- you know, that was the --
23 that had to be the major goal of this, and there may
24 have been side effects.

25 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, I think he's satisfied.

1 MR. STONE: I am. Thank you, Your Honor.

2 BY MR. STONE:

3 Q. And did it contemplate the use of pins to
4 select the latency, and that -- I direct you to the
5 third page of this, if it helps, the very first bullet
6 point where it says, "Use a dedicated pin (or pins) on
7 DDR-II SDRAMs to select read latency (and therefore
8 write latency as well)."

9 Do you see that?

10 A. Yes, I see that.

11 Q. And was it part of this proposal that dedicated
12 pins would be used to determine the read and write
13 latency rather than storing data in a mode register?

14 A. Well, the -- that wasn't -- simplistic CAS is a
15 different thing, and so what they were trying to do is
16 be able to dynamically move between normal CAS location
17 relative to RAS and a posted CAS location relative to
18 RAS. It's just different. I mean --

19 Q. Okay.

20 A. -- it results in -- from the CAS location, a
21 change in latency from CAS, but it's not the same thing
22 as programmable CAS. Different concept altogether.

23 Q. Look, if you would, at the second page of the
24 document. Under Background, it says, "For several
25 reasons that have already been identified, it would be

1 beneficial to define an alternate means of selecting
2 Read and Write latency."

3 Do you see that?

4 A. Um-hum.

5 Q. Was one of the reasons that had already been
6 identified the Rambus patents that you knew about as of
7 July of 2000?

8 A. Ah, they were not the reason stated. They -- I
9 mean, I'm not sure what Micron was thinking. I know I
10 was thinking about how for various operations movement
11 between posted and nonposted, generally when you're
12 moving between latency-sensitive operations, where you
13 don't have command streams, and non-latency-sensitive
14 operations, how there can be a benefit.

15 Q. Let me show you another Micron presentation, if
16 I might.

17 JUDGE MCGUIRE: Go ahead.

18 BY MR. STONE:

19 Q. Let me show you CX-2769. Do you see this is
20 dated September 13 of 2000 on the front page?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Do you recall having seen this presentation?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Okay. Turn, if you would, to page 4. Was
25 there a discussion, as referenced on page 4, of the

1 various clock forwarding schemes utilized by DDR1,
2 SLDRAM and RDRAM?

3 A. Yes, the three rather drastically different
4 schemes were referenced.

5 Q. And were they being discussed because
6 consideration was being given to each of those three
7 for possible use in DDR2?

8 A. Yes, this was I believe a DDR2 presentation.

9 Q. So, is it correct, then, that in September of
10 2000, the Future DRAM Task Group was considering the
11 use of the DDR1 clocking scheme, the SLDRAM clocking
12 scheme and the RDRAM clocking scheme?

13 A. No, they had already settled on the DDR1
14 clocking scheme. This was a presentation, you know, to
15 see if the committee could come -- you know, Micron
16 thought they might have a better way, and they wanted
17 to see if they could convince the committee of it, and
18 they brought up the three rather, you know, totally
19 different clocking schemes.

20 Q. And then if you turn to the fifth page, the
21 next page, Mr. Macri, you'll see that Micron proposed
22 yet a fourth scheme which was one covered by a patent,
23 4,519,034.

24 Do you see that reference?

25 A. Yes, I see the reference.

1 Q. And so, is it consistent with your recollection
2 that one of the proposals or proposed alternatives that
3 Micron asked your group to consider was a scheme that
4 was patented under the patent number I just read?

5 A. Yes, they were fulfilling their JEDEC
6 responsibility.

7 Q. And -- but they were proposing using the
8 patented scheme, were they not?

9 A. Well, they proposed the clocking scheme and
10 then part of their JEDEC responsibility was pointing
11 out the patent.

12 Q. But this was a clocking scheme different than
13 the other three, correct?

14 A. That's what they alleged, yes.

15 Q. And one of the things they said about this
16 patent was it will expire in October of 2002 in time
17 for DDR2 production, correct?

18 A. They did state that quite clearly.

19 Q. And wasn't it correct that at this time, what
20 Micron was trying to do was find a clocking scheme that
21 would avoid -- let me strike that. I don't want to ask
22 you about what Micron was trying to do.

23 Wasn't it your understanding, based on what was
24 being said at the meetings, that what the Future DRAM
25 Task Group was being asked to do was to find a clocking

1 scheme that would not be covered by the Rambus patents?

2 A. No, I don't believe that at all. The --
3 their -- Micron and many companies would bring
4 proposals to JEDEC all the time. They would bring
5 these proposals because they believe there's an
6 inherent advantage. There are disadvantages to the
7 clocking scheme used by DDR1. Engineers always try to
8 come up with better solutions, and they are presented
9 to the committee for the committee's judgment. This
10 was just, you know, yet another Micron presentation on
11 an alternative scheme.

12 Q. And is one of the considerations that you take
13 into account whether or not they're covered by patents?

14 A. Micron had pointed out that there was a patent.
15 They met their JEDEC responsibility. And they pointed
16 out that the patent was due to expire before the
17 production date. They were using this as -- you know,
18 I don't recall exactly, but they may have used it to --
19 as part of the -- you know, just to set members at
20 ease.

21 Q. Going back to my question, Mr. Macri -- and
22 just focus on my question, not on this -- was it one of
23 the goals of the Future DRAM Task Group to take into
24 account whether a particular technology was or was not
25 patented?

1 A. That's not a goal of the Future DRAM Task
2 Group. JEDEC has a patent policy that says if a patent
3 is -- is exhibited, if there is a patent exhibited, the
4 committee must examine alternative methods, and it's in
5 the -- in the -- I don't know if the exact wording is
6 correct, but there is wording in the patent policy
7 that -- or in the policy somewhere in JEDEC that says,
8 you know, we should try to come up --

9 Q. What alternatives did JEDEC look at for the
10 design of DDR2 to avoid the Rambus patents?

11 A. I don't recall us doing -- having an effort to
12 avoid the Rambus patents. So, this was, you know, a
13 scheme that was actually presented in September of
14 2000, so this was fairly far down the road of the
15 definition of DDR2.

16 Q. Well, it wasn't so --

17 A. If Micron would have did this in '98, maybe we
18 would have -- there may have been a -- you know, a --
19 you know, a better look at this, but I don't recall the
20 committee giving this, you know, a lot of weight. I
21 think it was looked at, people understood, you know --
22 it was looked at from an engineering perspective, but
23 we were already in September of 2000. This is pretty
24 far down the line to do a drastic change.

25 Q. Mr. Macri, let me just see if I can get a --

1 back to my question, let's just see if I can get a
2 shorter, simpler answer perhaps.

3 A. Okay.

4 Q. What, if anything, did either the Future DRAM
5 Task Group do or did JEDEC do in the DDR2 design to
6 look for alternatives to those designs which Rambus
7 contended were covered by its patents?

8 A. I don't recall us doing anything to get around
9 what Rambus was contending.

10 Q. And did the committee listen to and consider
11 the presentation that Micron gave in September of 2000?

12 A. The committee has to listen to all
13 presentations. You -- the committee does not have a
14 choice.

15 Q. You were shown earlier Exhibit 426, I believe,
16 CX-426. Let me hand you another copy.

17 If I may approach, Your Honor?

18 JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.

19 THE WITNESS: I've got a little bit of a mound
20 here.

21 BY MR. STONE:

22 Q. Yes, you do.

23 Do you recall CX-426?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Okay. And this is an email that was sent from

1 Terry Lee at Micron to a variety of people, including
2 yourself?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And if we turn to the second page of CX-426,
5 right below the dotted line, I think we're to the
6 portion that you were asked about earlier by Mr. Davis,
7 you will see that this is a report that was generated
8 by Terry Lee at Micron and Sam Patel of AMD.

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And there was a reference that you were asked
11 about earlier to ATI, and it says ATI, and there's a
12 couple of bullet points, including one that says,
13 "Preferred single data rate."

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And we established that that was a reference to
16 you, correct?

17 A. That was a reference to me, correct.

18 Q. And then in the same document, do we also see
19 that Micron, Hewlett Packard, IBM, also all preferred
20 the single data rate?

21 A. Well, after they made their initial statement
22 that they wanted to keep the strobes in DDR2. So they
23 first -- you know, I think what they're first stating
24 is they want to keep DDR2 as it is, and then if they
25 consider other things, they would go down a different

1 path, and SDR may be a preference.

2 Q. Okay. And then if you turn to the third page,
3 under that -- halfway down the page where it says,
4 "IBM."

5 A. Um-hum.

6 Q. You'll see there's a reference under IBM where
7 it says, the second bullet point, "Agrees with the need
8 to avoid IP issues."

9 A. Yes, I see that.

10 Q. Weren't those Rambus IP issues that were being
11 talked about at this time frame, November of 2000?

12 A. I believe it was just IP issues in general.

13 Q. You don't think there was any mention in
14 November of 2000 of the Rambus IP issues?

15 A. I do not recall the discussion of Rambus IP
16 during this call or during the task group meeting.

17 Q. Well, wasn't it your obligation to tell JEDEC
18 members of any patents that you knew of?

19 A. Ah, yes, we all have an obligation to -- to
20 notify the committee of patents that we do not believe
21 the membership already knows about.

22 Q. And wasn't it -- wasn't it your obligation, if
23 you knew of Rambus patents, to tell the committee?

24 A. It was my belief that by this time everyone
25 knew of Rambus' allegations. There was no need to

1 reinforce that.

2 Q. So, you didn't tell them about the Rambus
3 patents because you assumed they all knew?

4 A. At this point, it was common knowledge in the
5 press. You'd have to live in a hole not to.

6 Q. And if -- I'm sorry, you would have to?

7 A. Live in a hole, under ground.

8 Q. Oh, I don't.

9 A. I don't.

10 Q. Okay. And is it your understanding that the
11 JEDEC rules were satisfied if the members all knew
12 about it, that there was then no need for you or anyone
13 else to list all the patents in some fashion at the
14 meetings?

15 A. I mean, the JEDEC patent policy is clear. In
16 this particular case, we're talking about, you know,
17 many, many, many statements in the press about this. I
18 mean, it was -- I do not think the -- you know, you can
19 make a blanket statement like you made.

20 Q. Did you feel you in any way violated the JEDEC
21 rules by not disclosing any Rambus patents that you
22 knew about?

23 A. No, I did not feel that I violated the JEDEC
24 patent policy.

25 Q. And you felt you didn't violate it because you

1 believed that the members already knew about them?

2 A. At this point in time, there was -- you know,
3 there was discussions among membership, you know, of
4 what was happening in the press regarding Rambus. At
5 that --

6 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, now again, when you say
7 at this point in time, you're talking about the year
8 2000?

9 THE WITNESS: I'm talking about -- yeah, the
10 time frame that he's talking about here.

11 JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, we just get so far down
12 the road that we tend to lose context, so I just want
13 it to be clear, you know, for the record the time frame
14 we're talking about now.

15 THE WITNESS: Yeah, for this question here. I
16 mean, I don't know what happened at every JEDEC
17 meeting, you know, I just don't know, but I know at
18 this point in time for this call, I believe that the
19 committee had already understood Rambus' belief on
20 their patents.

21 BY MR. STONE:

22 Q. Well, had there been a discussion at a Future
23 DRAM Task Group meeting of Rambus' patents?

24 A. I do not recall a discussion at this point in
25 time on Rambus' patents.

1 Q. What led you to the belief that everyone knew
2 about them if there had been no discussion?

3 A. The sheer fact that at this point in time, it
4 was all -- it was in the press. People were talking
5 about it in the street. It was common knowledge. I
6 did not believe that, you know, standing up and wasting
7 the committee's time informing them of something they
8 already knew would be beneficial to the committee.

9 Q. Did your committee later -- did you sort of --
10 did it get merged into the work of the JC-42.3
11 committee?

12 A. Yes, eventually all task groups dissolve and
13 merge back into the committee.

14 Q. And by March of 2001, had that happened?

15 A. I believe that's probably true. I don't know
16 the exact date, but the task group slowly dissolved.

17 Q. Let me show you, if I might, CX-168. Do you
18 recognize CX-168 to be the minutes of the March 2001
19 meeting?

20 A. (Document review.) Yes, that's what they look
21 like, the minutes of the March 2001 meeting.

22 Q. Okay. And were you the chairman at this time?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Okay. Can I ask you to turn to page 7, the
25 bottom of page 7?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Where there's a vote, the very bottom, it says,
3 "Motion by AMI2, seconded by Samsung to send to council
4 to modify. The vote was unanimous."

5 Do you see that?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And that's a vote on a particular low-power SDR
8 function, correct?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Then if you turn to page 8 at the very top, it
11 says, "Later in the meeting Mr. Ryan showed a comment
12 he had received on patents affecting this ballot,
13 Rambus 6,021,076 and Siemens 6,046,953."

14 Do you see that?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. When those patents were identified later in the
17 meeting after the vote had been taken, did the
18 committee do anything in response to those patents
19 being identified, such as pull the ballot back, revote
20 it, table it or anything like that?

21 A. I don't know. I mean, this was for low-power
22 SDRAM, and that's a discussion that I just wasn't
23 interested in.

24 Q. But you were still the chair, though, right?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Okay. And as the chair, in trying to apply the
2 JEDEC patent policy as you understood it at the time,
3 did you as the chairman say, wait, a patent has now
4 been disclosed by Micron, two patents in fact, that
5 relate to this ballot, and we need to revote it or
6 table it until we get resolution of any patent issues?

7 A. No, I didn't. As I said, I mean, this was
8 something that I wasn't interested in and just -- I --
9 I have to admit, I didn't even notice that until you
10 just pointed it out.

11 Q. Okay. Let me ask you just --

12 A. I think that I was lax in my duty.

13 Q. And did anybody else to your recollection raise
14 their hand and say, Mr. Chairman, this may not be of
15 interest to you, but we want to remind you of the JEDEC
16 patent policy that says we should put this on hold?

17 A. This is actually not the chair leading this
18 subgroup, so I mean, I don't know if -- I don't recall
19 being -- you know, listening to this. No one came up
20 to me and pointed this out to me and asked me to get
21 involved, at least I don't recall.

22 Q. And did you ever hear from anybody at the JEDEC
23 offices about whether this particular meeting in March
24 of 2001 in San Diego had been conducted in any way that
25 was not consistent with the JEDEC rules?

1 A. I'm not aware of anything that was not
2 consistent with the JEDEC rules.

3 Q. Okay. When was the preliminary specification
4 for DDR2 published, the first one? Was that July of
5 2001?

6 A. Yes, I'm not sure of the date, but there was --
7 and I'm not -- actually, I have got to be honest, I'm
8 not -- I'm not sure when the first revision of
9 JESD-79-2 was published.

10 Q. Well, what I have is a preliminary
11 specification. Do you recall that being published?

12 A. But preliminary -- so, that may have been
13 within the committee itself, but it's not published
14 generally in JEDEC meetings that's outside of the
15 committee.

16 Q. That's fine. Someone took the time and effort
17 into putting together a complete specification?

18 A. Yes, I actually assigned someone to do that.

19 Q. Okay. And that preliminary DDR2 SDRAM
20 specification, when it was first put together, had a
21 fixed burst length of four, did it not?

22 A. Yes, I believe at that point there had been no
23 decision on what to do with the -- with any other
24 proposals.

25 Q. So, at that time, you were far enough along in

1 the process that you felt it appropriate to assign
2 someone to put the specification together for committee
3 purposes?

4 A. Well, it was actually -- we actually did it
5 much earlier than that even. It was just -- it was a
6 very small group of people that were keeping the
7 compilation of all the past ballots, and we finally got
8 enough together that it seemed appropriate to start
9 getting more people to look at it, to find errors and
10 inconsistencies in the specification. So, you know, we
11 very often keep things small until, you know, it's
12 appropriate to have more people look at it.

13 MR. STONE: May I approach, Your Honor?

14 BY MR. STONE:

15 Q. Let me show you, Mr. Macri, RX-1854.

16 A. Okay.

17 Q. Can you identify this as the preliminary DDR2
18 SDRAM specification as of July 2001?

19 A. It looks like it is that.

20 Q. Okay, prepared within your group?

21 A. Prepared actually by the person I assigned to
22 it and -- you know, and that was underneath the -- I
23 believe that was still underneath the task group at
24 that point.

25 Q. Okay. I notice it says JC-42.3 in the upper

1 right corner.

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Does that indicate that it had been taken out
4 of your group and given to JC-42.3, or was this still
5 part of your group?

6 A. I -- we would have to -- we would have to go
7 through the JEDEC meeting minutes and find when we kind
8 of dissolved the task group, but 42.3 was what the task
9 group was under, so that was -- it could be either.

10 Q. And I'm just trying to speed us along, so if
11 you feel like I'm cutting you off, it might be true,
12 but it's in the interest of time.

13 A. Don't worry, you can't insult me.

14 Q. And can you confirm that as of this date, July
15 of 2001, the burst length was fixed at four in this
16 particular specification? And I might direct you to
17 page 20.

18 A. Yes, in this specification, it was fixed at
19 four. Only past ballots could go into this
20 specification, so the ballot process had to be
21 completed on any concept that had been discussed. That
22 was the rule.

23 Q. And after this specification had been put
24 together and circulated within the committee, did you
25 receive a letter or a copy of a letter from Desi Rhoden

1 on behalf of AMI2 in which he disclosed to you certain
2 AMI2 patents that might relate to your specification?

3 A. That may have occurred. I just don't recall.

4 Q. Did the committee at any point in time do
5 anything to look at the AMI2 patents and consider
6 whether they should redesign the specification in
7 response to the disclosure that AMI2 had patents?

8 A. It depends on the nature of that letter. I
9 don't recall --

10 Q. And I'm not going to ask you about the letter.
11 Let me interrupt you for a second and withdraw my
12 question and just put it to you again and see if I can
13 keep us focused.

14 Did the committee do anything to look at
15 alternatives to features covered by any patents held by
16 AMI2?

17 A. I don't recall that at all.

18 Q. Okay. And let me ask you if a vote was taken.

19 MR. DAVIS: Mr. Stone, is there a time when we
20 could take a break?

21 MR. STONE: I was trying to get to the in
22 camera part before we broke, Your Honor. We can break
23 now if we need to. In about ten minutes or less, I
24 should be to the in camera part.

25 JUDGE McGUIRE: Do you want to break now, Mr.

1 Davis?

2 MR. DAVIS: Ten minutes is okay.

3 JUDGE McGUIRE: If you need to break now, we'll
4 break now.

5 MR. DAVIS: No, that's okay.

6 JUDGE McGUIRE: Let's go ten minutes, then
7 we'll have a good clean separation.

8 MR. STONE: Thank you, Your Honor.

9 BY MR. STONE:

10 Q. Do you recall when there was a vote taken on
11 going to a programmable burst length?

12 A. I don't remember the date, but I remember that
13 we did have a ballot to cover, you know, the burst
14 length and also a separate ballot for the interrupt.

15 Q. And a separate ballot to cover?

16 A. The interrupt.

17 Q. Okay.

18 A. The burst interrupt.

19 Q. If I can show you the minutes from September of
20 2001.

21 May I, Your Honor?

22 JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.

23 BY MR. STONE:

24 Q. I've handed you what's been marked for
25 identification as CX-174, and you'll see at the top of

1 the first page, it says, "Joe Macri, Chairman."

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And you presided, did you not, at the September
4 2001 meeting in Las Vegas?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Turn, if you would, to pages 7 and 8 under the
7 item 4, DDRII Request for Changes Item, and then
8 there's 4.1, and then on page 8, there's 4.2.

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And do you see -- is this the meeting at which
11 the vote was taken on adding a burst length eight?

12 A. Yes. The ballot was given -- we were given
13 permission to write the ballot or Intel was given
14 permission to write the ballot.

15 Q. And so was this the first vote taken on whether
16 those issues should be put to ballot, namely, going to
17 programmable burst length?

18 A. Yes, by voting and with a motion and the motion
19 passing.

20 Q. Okay, one last document.

21 Were you -- from time to time, did you attend
22 the meetings of 42.4?

23 A. 42.4? I can't remember the name of that
24 committee. Is that one of the SRAM volatile --

25 Q. The nonvolatile committee.

1 A. I rarely attended. It's more if there's no one
2 else to go, then I might, but I'm generally not
3 interested in nonvolatile issues.

4 Q. And some of the minutes I've looked at show you
5 in attendance and others show you're a member absent.
6 Is that consistent with your recollection?

7 A. Yeah, sometimes I was sitting there working
8 away when the sign-in sheet would come by.

9 Q. And did you get distribution of minutes and
10 mail from 42.4?

11 A. I may have, but not that I would pay any
12 attention to.

13 Q. Did you -- were you aware of an issue involving
14 Micron's disclosure of a patent application in the 2000
15 time frame, early 2000?

16 A. I remember there was some discussion on some
17 type of a patent. I'm not sure if -- which patent
18 you're referring to, though.

19 Q. Do you recall Mr. McGhee informing the
20 committee members that the issue had been discussed and
21 resolved at a meeting of the JEDEC board?

22 A. Not directly. I just -- can you tell me which
23 patent and maybe that would help me recollect?

24 Q. Let me see if I can show you an exhibit that
25 may help. I'll show you RX-1582.

1 May I, Your Honor?

2 JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.

3 BY MR. STONE:

4 Q. Do you recall receiving this email from Mr.
5 McGhee in February of 2000 about a letter Micron had
6 sent with respect to a patent application and whether
7 they -- their disclosure of that patent application
8 went beyond the patent policy of JEDEC?

9 A. I just don't -- I don't remember this, because
10 it really doesn't say anything about what the patent
11 was about. It's just a letter from Ken McGhee saying
12 he received a letter from Micron.

13 Q. At any meeting after February of 2000, after
14 the date of this email, do you remember anyone in a
15 meeting saying, I think Mr. McGhee's description about
16 the disclosure of patent applications and how that
17 related to the JEDEC policy was wrong, incorrect,
18 misunderstood or anything like that?

19 A. Ah, I just don't know. I mean --

20 Q. Okay.

21 A. -- he's -- a lot of complaining all the time.

22 Q. But do you recall any complaining about this
23 issue?

24 A. No, it's not -- it's not jumping out at my
25 mind.

1 MR. STONE: Okay, Your Honor, maybe now would
2 be convenient. We could then reconvene in camera just
3 briefly.

4 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, very good. Let's
5 take a ten-minute break. This hearing is in recess.

6 Again, let me just say to the audience, when we
7 come back, you will be -- the public will not be
8 allowed in for this portion of the proceeding.

9 (A brief recess was taken.)

10 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, this hearing is now in
11 order and in in camera session.

12 (The in camera testimony continued in Volume
13 25, Part 2, Pages 4783 through 4788, then resumed as
14 follows.)

15 MR STONE: No further questions, Your Honor.

16 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, thank you.

17 Mr. Davis, redirect?

18 MR. DAVIS: No questions, Your Honor.

19 JUDGE McGUIRE: I'm sorry?

20 MR. DAVIS: No questions.

21 JUDGE McGUIRE: Oh, okay, sir, you're excused
22 from this proceeding. Thank you very much for your
23 testimony here today.

24 THE WITNESS: No problem.

25 MR. STONE: Can I just move in a couple of

1 exhibits, Your Honor? They would be CX-137.

2 JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Davis, any objection?

3 MR. DAVIS: No objection, Your Honor.

4 JUDGE McGUIRE: Entered.

5 (CX Exhibit Number 137 was admitted into
6 evidence.)

7 MR. STONE: CX-400.

8 MR. DAVIS: No objection.

9 JUDGE McGUIRE: Entered.

10 (CX Exhibit Number 400 was admitted into
11 evidence.)

12 MR. STONE: CX-2769.

13 MR. DAVIS: No objection.

14 JUDGE McGUIRE: Entered.

15 (CX Exhibit Number 2769 was admitted into
16 evidence.)

17 MR. STONE: CX-168.

18 MR. DAVIS: No objection.

19 JUDGE McGUIRE: Entered.

20 (CX Exhibit Number 168 was admitted into
21 evidence.)

22 MR. STONE: And CX-174.

23 MR. DAVIS: No objection.

24 JUDGE McGUIRE: Entered.

25 (CX Exhibit Number 174 was admitted into

1 evidence.)

2 MR. DAVIS: We would also like to move in
3 CX-137.

4 MR. STONE: Oh, I just moved it in.

5 MR. DAVIS: Oh, did you?

6 MR. STONE: Yeah.

7 MR. DAVIS: That was the first one you moved
8 in?

9 MR. STONE: Yes.

10 JUDGE McGUIRE: Once is enough.

11 Does that take care of our afternoon session
12 from complaint counsel's side.

13 MR. OLIVER: Yes, Your Honor. We could
14 continue with the deposition of Mr. Karp if you wish,
15 but --

16 JUDGE McGUIRE: I would rather wait on that,
17 so -- yes, I would rather wait.

18 MR. OLIVER: Okay.

19 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, it's 4:00 right now.
20 I understand the courtroom is going to be dark both
21 Tuesday and Wednesday, correct, and we will be back in
22 early Thursday morning, at 9:30?

23 MR. STONE: Yes.

24 MR. OLIVER: That's right, Your Honor.

25 MR. STONE: And I want to thank the Court and

1 complaint counsel again for accommodating me on the two
2 days and allowing me to go back for graduation. Thank
3 you.

4 JUDGE McGUIRE: You're quite welcome.

5 All right, this hearing is adjourned until
6 Thursday morning. Thank you.

7 (Whereupon, at 4:00 p.m., the hearing was
8 adjourned.)

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7 herein is a full and accurate transcript of the notes
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9 the FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION to the best of my
10 knowledge and belief.

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20 I HEREBY CERTIFY that I proofread the
21 transcript for accuracy in spelling, hyphenation,
22 punctuation and format.

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