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- 3 JUDGE McGUIRE: This hearing is now in order.
- 4 Counsel, how is everyone this morning?
- 5 MR. ROYALL: Fine, thank you.
- 6 MR. STONE: Fine, Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Are there any housekeeping
- 8 chores we need to attend to before we commence hearing
- 9 today?
- 10 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, in response to the
- order that you issued yesterday afternoon, we did want
- 12 to raise one issue, and I have spoken with Mr. Stone on
- 13 this. I know he has things to say as well.
- 14 The issue that we have and we think the most
- immediate issue is our desire to see that the materials
- that are subject to this order, that would be subject
- 17 to production under the order, be produced to us
- 18 immediately so that this doesn't cause any delay in our
- 19 case in chief, and the only thing I would say in that
- 20 regard is that when Judge Timony first ruled on this
- issue back in late February, we contacted respondent's
- 22 counsel immediately and asked for a date-certain by
- 23 which we would have production of the materials that
- 24 were covered by that order, and that was mooted by the
- 25 fact that they moved for reconsideration, and we didn't

- 1 go any further.
- 2 But given that they have had several months
- 3 notice now, we would hope that the materials are
- 4 prepared to be produced very swiftly and immediately so
- 5 that it doesn't cause any delay in our case. So,
- 6 that's what we would ask, is that it either be clear on
- 7 the record that they plan to do that or that they do so
- 8 by order.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Stone, would you like to
- 10 respond?
- 11 MR. STONE: I would like to respond, Your
- 12 Honor. I would like to start at a somewhat different
- 13 spot, but I will get to that question.
- 14 Yesterday's order does clearly raise more than
- just housekeeping matters, and I want to share with you
- some of the thoughts I have on the housekeeping matters
- 17 it raises. We will ask you -- we will file a motion
- 18 and ask you to clarify certain aspects of the order for
- 19 a couple of reasons.
- 20 One, I know it's very important -- this order
- 21 will be reviewed by other courts in other litigation
- 22 and will be reviewed ultimately from this Court, and we
- 23 want to make sure that we are clear and that the order
- is clear as to the scope of any obligation to produce.

1 is just an example of one of the clarifications,

- 2 because I think I need to read it more carefully to be
- 3 certain --
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: It's not an easy order, I know
- 5 that.
- 6 MR. STONE: -- one of the issues is the date
- 7 you chose -- you picked a date on work product, and I
- 8 think maybe it was not a good job of briefing on our
- 9 part or maybe we didn't think the issue was framed as
- 10 to when the work product came into existence, but for
- 11 example, the Hitachi litigation -- and the Hitachi
- 12 litigation has not been a subject discussed here
- 13 because that litigation settled -- that was filed on
- 14 January 18th of 2000 and was preceded by a demand
- 15 letter to Hitachi in October of 1999. So, clearly
- there had been litigation contemplated in connection
- 17 with the Hitachi litigation prior to the January 1 of
- 18 2000 date that was the date you chose for your order,
- 19 because you were looking at litigation involving
- 20 Infineon as being the earliest.
- 21 Normally under the rules I think we would be
- 22 allowed until Tuesday of next to file a motion for
- 23 reconsideration or clarification. We can certainly
- 24 meet that deadline, and we will certainly try to file
- 25 it on Monday, because we have no desire to see this

- 1 issue delay things.
- 2 At the same time -- and to some extent I know
- 3 you addressed a portion of this in your prior order on
- 4 reconsideration -- we will again ask that the
- 5 Commission have an opportunity to review this order,
- 6 because obviously an order that says we have to produce
- 7 privileged material is an order of some great moment,
- 8 and as you recognize in your order, we need to take all
- 9 appropriate steps to protect privileged material before
- 10 we run the risk of anyone finding that our conduct here
- 11 constitutes a waiver. So, we will again ask you to
- 12 certify that issue to the Commission.
- 13 And in addition, what we plan to do --
- 14 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, let me ask you, Mr.
- 15 Stone, on that question -- and I have no idea what I
- 16 would do on that request -- but should that be upheld,
- 17 do you anticipate then having this entire hearing
- 18 postponed until they have a chance to offer their
- 19 opinion on that issue?
- 20 MR. STONE: And I think that -- I think most of
- 21 the hearing can go forward, but I do want to address
- that it has an impact on at least a couple of witnesses
- whose testimony I think should be postponed.
- If the Commission hears it or if they don't,
- 25 our plan is in any event to file an appeal in the

1 Circuit Court. We think that this constitutes a

- 2 collateral order which we're entitled to appeal under
- 3 various case authority, including a recent case out of
- 4 the D.C. Circuit of United States vs. Phillip Morris,
- 5 and in addition, if we weren't entitled to appeal it as
- 6 a collateral order, which we think we are, we would ask
- 7 the Court for a writ of mandate with respect to this,
- 8 because I think again, meaning no disrespect by saying
- 9 that we disagree with the order, I think you recognize
- 10 as well that we need to do everything we can to pursue
- 11 our rights with respect to protecting these materials
- 12 so as not to run the risk of anyone in subsequent
- 13 litigation contending that we didn't fully exhaust our
- 14 remedies.
- So, what we would ask you to do is to stay the
- implementation of the order pending a decision from the
- 17 Court of Appeal, but we think the Commission should
- 18 have a chance to review it, if you and the Commission
- 19 desire them to have that chance, before we seek review
- in the courts.
- 21 We will proceed -- to address the scheduling
- issues, we will proceed to prepare all the documents
- that we think would be required to be produced during
- 24 the period of time that this appeal is pending, and we
- 25 will ask the Court of Appeal for expedited treatment of

- 1 it and are not going to do anything to slow that
- 2 process down at all and will file there as promptly as
- 3 we can and as the order here is final.
- 4 With respect to the scheduling of the hearing
- 5 itself, it does have an impact -- and I raised this
- 6 with Mr. Royall earlier -- on two witnesses. Mr
- 7 Diepenbrock, who's scheduled for Friday, and Mr.
- 8 Vincent, who's scheduled for Monday, are both lawyers.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Right.
- 10 MR. STONE: Mr. Diepenbrock was in-house at
- 11 Rambus. Mr. Vincent was the outside lawyer who
- 12 prosecuted many of the applications. They each have
- 13 documents that are on our current privilege log that
- 14 are written or received during the time period that is
- 15 covered by your order. Whether they're covered by your
- order in terms of the subject matter, I'm not sure, but
- 17 let's assume I think for the sake of argument that at
- 18 least some of them are.
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- can't do depositions or something else on Friday and
- 2 Monday so that those witnesses would only testify here
- 3 once after this issue is resolved.
- 4 The reason I think it's unfair to them is both,
- 5 A, the inconvenience -- they both live on the West

1 MR. STONE: I would -- my hope is we would file

- 2 it on Monday. I would like you to require us not to
- file it before Tuesday, but I can assure you we will do
- 4 everything we can to have it on file on Monday. And my
- 5 plan is to excuse myself, if you don't mind, when we
- finish this argument, go back and make sure all the
- 7 wheels are in motion for that to be filed, and then
- 8 I'll try to come back to court this afternoon if it's
- 9 okay with you that I be excused to go work on that,
- 10 because I do want to make sure that we've done
- 11 everything as promptly as we can.
- 12 It is not our desire, either Rambus' desire or
- I can say counsel's personal desire, to see the
- 14 proceeding delayed unduly.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: No, I don't want to see this
- 16 proceeding delayed.
- 17 Do you have any comments on all this, Mr.
- 18 Royall?
- MR. ROYALL: Yes, Your Honor.
- 20 One thing I would say is that this issue, as
- 21 you know, has been briefed and rebriefed in some
- detail, and we would hope given the potential for delay
- 23 that this could cause that respondent's counsel would
- work as quickly as possible to get any motion for
- 25 reconsideration before Your Honor, and I would hope

1 that that can be done by the end of this week, but the

- only thing I've heard about that -- granted, there may
- 3 be other things as they review it, but the only thing
- 4 I've heard about that they said that they would like
- 5 reconsideration on specifically is this issue about
- 6 when they anticipated litigation. So, we would like to
- 7 move as quickly as possible with that.
- 8 We obviously are concerned about delay. On the
- 9 question of whether these witnesses should go forward
- 10 even potentially before this is finally resolved, our
- 11 view on that is that it does make sense frankly -- and
- 12 we understand that there are issues of convenience for
- witnesses, but we've already had an instance in which
- 14 the respondents have asked that one of our witnesses,
- Mr. Rhoden, re-appear after he had left, and so there's
- 16 precedent for that happening in this case.
- 17 The other thing is, as Mr. Stone said, that he
- 18 doesn't know whether the ultimate ruling on this, if
- documents need to be produced, will have an impact on
- 20 Mr. Diepenbrock or Mr. Vincent or the need to recall
- 21 them. I don't know that we know that either. It's
- 22 possible that it won't, but we'd like to go forward
- 23 with those witnesses and then have the ability to
- 24 recall them in our case in chief if it is warranted by
- 25 the production of these documents.

- Obviously there is a potential that there might
- 2 be some later action. I just don't know.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, I'll tell you what I'm
- 4 going to do. I'm going to give the respondent until I
- 5 think 5:00 on Tuesday to file its -- is this going to
- 6 be an application for an interlocutory appeal and/or a
- 7 motion for clarification or reconsideration?
- 8 MR. STONE: Yes, we will put all of that in one
- 9 pleading, Your Honor.
- 10 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, I will give you
- 11 until Tuesday at 5:00 to file that.
- How much time will complaint counsel need to
- file its response to that application?
- MR. ROYALL: Well, it's hard to know without
- seeing it, but I would think if they're going to have
- 16 until --
- 17 JUDGE McGUIRE: If they have until Tuesday, I

- 1 Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Five court days. I will give
- 3 you five court days. So, that will be Wednesday,
- 4 Thursday, Friday -- you can file it by 5:00 the Tuesday
- 5 after. How is that?
- 6 MR. ROYALL: And we may very well be able to do
- 7 it sooner.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay.
- 9 Now, on the issue of the proposed testimony of
- 10 the two attorneys, I think because the issues involved
- 11 here are such that they will have an impact on that
- 12 testimony, I'm going to ask that complaint counsel
- postpone their appearance in this hearing until we get
- 14 this other issue resolved, and to the extent that may
- 15 cause some inconvenience, the Court offers its apology,
- but I think this is an issue of great import, and so
- 17 I'm not going to impose on either them or the parties
- 18 the uncertainty of this inquiry until we have that
- 19 resolved.
- 20 Are you going to be able to substitute other
- 21 testimony for this coming week, Thursday, Friday --
- MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, I frankly don't know.
- 23 Mr. Oliver --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: If you are not able to, then we
- 25 will postpone the hearing until early next week.

1 MR. ROYALL: Mr. Oliver may be able to comment

- 2 on scheduling issues.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, Mr. Oliver.
- 4 MR. OLIVER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- We can try, but in all honesty, I suspect it's
- 6 unlikely. We've already had a lot of schedule
- 7 difficulties, and we generally find that unless we have
- 8 about three weeks lead time, it's very difficult to
- 9 schedule witnesses.
- 10 JUDGE McGUIRE: I know it's difficult, and --
- 11 but the Court wants to be fair on this issue to
- 12 everybody involved, including those that will be
- appearing here for any testimony. So, I suggest that
- 14 you attempt to reschedule the appearances of your
- 15 witnesses and then advise the Court, you know, at a
- point in time you're able to put someone else on.
- 17 I hope this does not cause an undue delay in
- 18 this proceeding, but to the extent it does, I think
- 19 we're just going to have to -- we're just going to have
- 20 to bear it.
- 21 So, is the plan then that we will not be in
- hearing on Friday or will that also include Thursday,
- 23 tomorrow and Friday?
- 24 MR. OLIVER: These witnesses would affect only
- 25 Friday and next Monday, Your Honor.

- 1 JUDGE McGUIRE: Only Friday.
- 2 MR. OLIVER: But there is one other issue I
- 3 wanted to --
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, go ahead.
- 5 MR. OLIVER: -- raise for you that frankly we
- 6 have not had a chance to think through ourselves, but
- 7 we had scheduled Mr. Diepenbrock and Mr. Vincent before
- 8 Mr. Richard Crisp so that certain foundation could be
- 9 laid with various documents that would probably be used
- 10 with Mr. Crisp, and I don't know what impact postponing
- 11 these two witnesses will have on our ability to go
- 12 forward with Mr. Crisp.
- 13 JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, then, we will just have
- 14 to take this up maybe on Thursday afternoon and see
- where we stand at that time, and then we'll just do
- 16 what we have to do after that, and hopefully we'll get
- 17 someone else in the chair here by early next week, if
- 18 that --
- 19 MR. ROYALL: We certainly can update you
- 20 tomorrow afternoon --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay.
- MR. ROYALL: -- where we stand. Again, as Mr.
- 23 Oliver has said, it's sometimes quite complicated to
- 24 reshuffle people --
- 25 JUDGE McGUIRE: And I appreciate that, I

- 1 appreciate that. I think under all of the
- 2 circumstances, I think that's how the Court chooses at
- 3 this point to proceed, so that's what we'll do.
- 4 Anything else on that?
- 5 MR. STONE: No. I'd appreciate it, Your Honor,
- 6 if I could be excused, and I will come back this
- 7 afternoon.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Mr. Stone, you're
- 9 excused.
- 10 MR. ROYALL: The only other thing I would say
- is I appreciate Mr. Stone indicating that he would be
- 12 preparing these documents in the event they need to be
- 13 produced, and I assume that will include unredacted
- 14 forms of documents that have been redacted relating to
- 15 these issues?
- MR. STONE: I think anything that is ultimately
- 17 determined to be covered by your order, Your Honor, we
- are going to put in process the steps we need to
- 19 produce those properly in the event that's the ultimate
- 20 ruling.
- 21 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay. You're not asking me at
- this point, are you, to advise the other side as to how
- 23 soon they have to produce these documents?
- 24 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, I did raise that
- 25 earlier. I'll certainly take what's -- I'm happy to

1 take Mr. Stone's good faith representation that they're

- working on that and to prepare that so in the event
- 3 when this is resolved, they will be able to produce
- 4 very quickly if that's required.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, good enough. Thank
- 6 you, Mr. Stone.
- 7 MR. STONE: I appreciate it, thank you, Your
- 8 Honor.
- 9 JUDGE McGUIRE: At this point, complaint
- 10 counsel can call its next witness.
- 11 MR. ROYALL: Before we do that, Your Honor,
- 12 there was one minor housekeeping matter Mr. Oliver was
- 13 going to comment on.
- 14 MR. OLIVER: I apologize, Your Honor, I was not
- 15 here yesterday at the time the issue with Dr. Oh was
- 16 raised. I just simply wanted to respond very briefly
- 17 to the objection on the grounds that he is unavailable.
- 18 We believe under the rules that we don't have to show
- 19 that. We simply have to show that he is outside the
- 20 country.
- 21 In any event, we are consulting with the other
- 22 side, and I believe we will be able to work that issue
- 23 out. If not, then at that point we would address that
- 24 issue with you.
- 25 JUDGE McGUIRE: Is he being offered as a -- I

1 assumed from what I read he was not being offered as an

- 2 expert in this proceeding. Is that correct?
- 3 MR. OLIVER: That's correct, Your Honor.
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay.
- 5 Mr. Perry, did you want to comment?
- 6 MR. PERRY: I agree with Mr. Oliver. We're
- 7 trying to work it out on that issue.
- 8 JUDGE McGUIRE: Good, right. I figured that
- 9 was the whole extent of your agreement, so okay, at
- 10 this time, we will call your next witness.
- MR. ROYALL: Yes, at this time, Your Honor,
- 12 complaint counsel calls as its next witness Mr. John
- 13 Kelly.
- 14 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Mr. Kelly, would you
- 15 please approach, and the court reporter will swear you
- 16 in.
- Whereupon--
- JOHN JAMES KELLY, JR.
- 19 a witness, called for examination, having been first
- 20 duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Mr. Kelly, have a
- 22 seat over there.
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 24 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 25 BY MR. ROYALL:

- 1 Q. Good morning.
- 2 A. Good morning.
- 3 Q. Could I ask you to state your full name for the
- 4 record, please?
- 5 A. My name is John James Kelly, Junior.
- 6 Q. And where are you currently employed, Mr.
- 7 Kelly?
- 8 A. I am employed at the Electronic Industries
- 9 Alliance, also known as EIA.
- Q. And what position do you hold with EIA?
- 11 A. I'm general counsel of EIA.
- 12 Q. How long have you held that position?
- 13 A. I have held that position since September --
- early September 1990.
- Q. And can you briefly explain what type of work
- 16 EIA does?
- 17 A. EIA is a broad-tgie? at ssociDtdhat pEIA does?
- D 1 Q. Good morning.

- 1 correct?
- 2 A. I am also the president of the JEDEC Solid
- 3 State Technology Association, known as JEDEC, which is
- 4 part of the EIA Alliance -- Federation.
- 5 Q. And how long have you held that position?
- 6 A. I have held the position of president of JEDEC
- 7 since early 2000 -- early 2000 -- early 2000, roughly
- 8 February-March 2000.
- 9 Q. Mr. Kelly, how would you compare or contrast
- 10 the type of work that is done by JEDEC with the type of
- 11 work that is done by EIA?
- 12 A. Well, as I said, EIA is a broad-based
- association. It represents a very diverse industry,
- 14 the electronics industry in the United States, and it
- 15 engages in a variety of different activities in support
- of that industry ranging from government relations to
- 17 publications and meetings and conferences, market
- 18 research, trade shows and similar activities, whereas
- 19 JEDEC is focused on standard-setting in support of the
- 20 industry sector that it represents, which is
- 21 semiconductors and solid state products.
- Q. Is JEDEC also headquartered in Arlington,
- 23 Virginia?
- A. Yes, it's headquartered in the same building as
- 25 EIA.

1 Q. That must make it easy for you to wear your two

- 2 hats.
- 3 A. Shorter trips between floors, yes.
- 4 Q. Besides the fact that they operate in the same
- 5 building, are EIA and JEDEC formally affiliated with
- 6 one another?
- 7 A. Yes, they are. There is a contractual
- 8 affiliation currently between JEDEC and EIA, and prior
- 9 to that time, JEDEC was actually -- prior to 2000,
- 10 JEDEC was actually part of the EIA corporate structure,
- 11 part of the entity.
- Q. Was JEDEC spun off then at some point into a
- 13 separate legal entity?
- 14 A. Yes, EIA went through a reorganization in late
- 15 1999, early 2000, in which it became a -- it became
- 16 legally structured as a federation.
- 17 In other words, the operating units within EIA
- 18 became separately incorporated, all of them did, and
- 19 one of those operating units was JEDEC. So, JEDEC
- 20 became separately incorporated in the first quarter of
- 21 2000, and that was also coincidentally the time when my
- title changed to president of JEDEC.
- Q. And do you have an understanding as to why EIA
- 24 chose to spin off JEDEC and these other operating units
- into separate legal entities?

1 A. It was -- yes, the reason was that each of the

- 2 entities wanted to gain additional visibility
- 3 representing the industry sectors and have the
- 4 recognition of being associations that supported those
- 5 individual industry sectors, because in some cases the
- 6 industry sectors we're talking about are significant,
- 7 substantial.
- Q. Is EIA sometimes today referred to as a
- 9 federation?
- 10 A. It is.
- 11 Q. Can you explain what is meant by that term?
- 12 A. Basically EIA is an umbrella organization that
- provides government relations and communication
- 14 services to the electronics industry, and then each of
- 15 the -- what I referred to before as operating groups
- within EIA represents one of the discrete industry
- 17 sectors within the electronics industry.
- 18 So, for example, telecommunications has its own
- 19 association within the federation; so does consumer
- 20 electronics; obviously solid state products and
- 21 semiconductors and so on.
- 22 Q. During the time that JEDEC was an
- 23 unincorporated division within EIA, did you in your
- 24 capacity as EIA general counsel have any
- 25 responsibilities relating to JEDEC?

- 1 A. Yes, actually, since I began as EIA general
- 2 counsel in 1990, I have been the legal counsel for all
- 3 of the operating units within EIA, including JEDEC and
- 4 all the others as well.
- 5 Q. And now that you're the president of JEDEC, who
- 6 serves as the in-house legal counsel for the
- 7 organization?
- 8 A. I still do. I am legal counsel for JEDEC as
- 9 well as legal counsel for each of the operating
- 10 entities within EIA still.
- Q. Does your position as JEDEC's president entail
- 12 some managerial responsibilities beyond the legal
- 13 function that you serve?
- 14 A. Yes, it does.
- Q. Can you very generally describe the nature of
- 16 those responsibilities?
- 17 A. Yes, basically I supervise a staff of nine
- 18 other individuals. I also have budgetary
- 19 responsibility for the JEDEC organization. And I'm
- 20 responsible for implementing policy directives of the
- 21 JEDEC board.
- Q. And before becoming JEDEC's president in 2000,
- 23 had you already assumed any managerial responsibility
- 24 for the organization?
- 25 A. Prior to 2000, no. The chief of staff -- I'm

- 1 sorry, let me qualify that. I had no supervisory
- 2 responsibility over employees at that time. I still
- 3 had budgetary responsibility for the organization as
- 4 well as the duty to implement policy directives of the
- 5 board.
- 6 However, Ingrid Taylor of the JEDEC staff was
- 7 acting as the chief of staff prior to the time that I
- 8 became president of JEDEC in 2000 -- actually, it was
- 9 subsequent to that. It was March of 2001 that I took
- 10 over the responsibilities as chief of staff.
- 11 Q. And before you became president, did you have
- 12 some title associated with JEDEC other than as the EIA
- 13 general counsel?
- 14 A. Yes, since approximately March of 1997, I had
- been the executive vice president of JEDEC, but again,
- with no responsibilities for supervising employees, but
- 17 the other two managerial responsibilities that I
- 18 mentioned were there.
- 19 Q. Currently, which of your two jobs accounts for
- 20 a greater percentage of your time, your position as EIA
- 21 general counsel or your position as JEDEC's president?
- A. My position as EIA general counsel by far.
- Q. Let me take a moment, Mr. Kelly, to ask you a
- 24 few questions about yourself.
- 25 First of all, you live in the D.C. area. Is

1 that correct?

- 1 practice?
- 2 A. I did. I spent approximately 13 years in
- 3 private practice with three different firms, and I was
- 4 a partner at the last firm I worked with.
- 5 Q. Very generally, what was the nature of your
- 6 private practice?
- 7 A. It was primarily general civil litigation with
- 8 emphasis on trade association representation, including
- 9 antitrust and trade regulation matters.
- 10 Q. How is it that in 1990 you became employed by
- 11 EIA as the general counsel?
- 12 A. The law firm that I was working with at the
- 13 time, I had been there for eight years, was known as
- 14 Loomis, Owen, Fellman & Howe, and it was a boutique
- 15 practice that specialized in antitrust and trade
- 16 regulation and also representation of trade
- 17 associations, and the firm dissolved. I saw a
- 18 tombstone advertisement racleand tseThe fed by

- 1 ironically enough I represented a client that had
- 2 adverse interests to EIA, and I threatened litigation,
- and fortunately we were able to resolve the matter on
- 4 an amicable basis.
- 5 Q. Let me take a moment now, if I could, Mr.
- 6 Kelly, to ask you about the organizational structure of
- 7 EIA and of JEDEC.

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1 marked as page 27 of CX-3092, and just so you know, Mr.

- 2 Kelly, when I'm referring to pages of documents, they
- 3 will also be appearing on the screen by you if you'd
- 4 prefer to look at them on the screen or on the paper
- 5 copy, whichever you prefer.
- 6 A. We are literally on the same page, thank you.
- 7 Q. Okay. And do you see on that page, page 27 of
- 8 Exhibit CX-3092, the heading EIA Organization?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. And do you see an organization chart on that
- 11 page?
- 12 A. I do.
- 13 Q. Can you explain what that organization chart
- 14 depicts?
- 15 A. Yes, this is looking at the EIA Federation, if
- 16 you will, from a very high level. This is a depiction
- of the governing structure within EIA and the sectors
- and the corporate structure of EIA.
- 19 Q. Is this an accurate depiction of how EIA was
- 20 organized in 1990 when you became general counsel?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- Q. Is the general counsel's function or office
- 23 identified on this organization chart?
- 24 A. It is.
- 25 Q. Could you point out where you see that?

- 1 A. It's in the upper third of the page on the
- 2 right side, one tier below the president of EIA.
- Q. And during this time period, did you report
- 4 directly to EIA's president?
- 5 A. I did. And I need to qualify my prior answer
- 6 in one respect.
- 7 Q. Please.
- A. During this period of time, I also reported
- 9 directly to the EIA Executive Committee and to the EIA
- 10 Board of Governors.
- 11 Q. And is that true today as well?
- 12 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Now, immediately below the box that refers to
- 14 general counsel and secretary, there are quite a number
- of other boxes on this organization chart. Do you see
- where I'm referring to?
- 17 A. Yes, I do.

- 1 Telecommunications Industry Association is the box
- 2 furthest to the left, and TIA -- and this was unique to
- 3 EIA at the time -- TIA was separately incorporated in
- 4 1990 and thereafter.
- 5 Next in order is the Consumer Electronics --
- 6 I'm sorry, to go back, the Telecommunications Industry
- 7 Association, as the name implies, represents the
- 8 Telecommunications Industry Association -- I'm sorry,
- 9 represents the telecommunications industry, which
- 10 broadly speaking includes land wireless, land mobile
- 11 and cell phones.
- 12 The Consumer Electronics Group is the next box
- in order reading from left to right, and that group
- 14 represents the consumer electronics industry.
- 15 Following from there to the right, the
- 16 Industrial Electronics Group, which existed at the time
- 17 and no longer exists as a separate sector of EIA,
- 18 represented the manufacturers of industrial electronic
- 19 parts, including assembly line equipment and robotics.
- Next is the Components Group of EIA,
- 21 representing the manufacturers of passive components
- 22 and at this time also active components.
- 23 And then finally, the Government Division of
- 24 EIA, which represented the components that do business
- 25 with the U.S. Government as a customer.

- 1 Q. Okay, could I stop you there?
- What you just walked through, that tier of
- 3 organizations below the general counsel's function,
- 4 which have been highlighted on the screen --
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 O. -- are those the parts of EIA that you referred
- 7 to when you used the term "sector"?
- 8 A. Today we refer to those groups -- again, with
- 9 the exception of industrial electronics, which has gone
- 10 away -- as the sectors of EIA, that's correct.
- 11 Q. And except for the Government -- what's
- 12 referred to as the Government Division, each of these
- other groups or sectors have lines going down
- 14 vertically to other boxes. Can you explain what those
- boxes are below the groups or sectors?
- 16 A. The boxes at the next tier represent the then
- 17 extant divisions of each of these sectors of EIA. So,
- 18 for example, TIA has listed four -- Consumer
- 19 Electronics actually has four divisions plus the
- 20 consumer electronics shows and so on.
- Q. Now, in the bottom left corner, do you see the
- 22 box that refers to operations?
- 23 A. I do.
- 24 O. And then below that there are lines to other
- 25 boxes. Do you see that?

- 1 A. That is correct, and that entire block, if you
- 2 will, that is depicted in the lower left third of the
- 3 page are the corporate operating departments of EIA
- 4 other than the Office of General Counsel, and they are
- 5 shown as Operations, Public Affairs, Administration and
- 6 Finance, Engineering, Marketing Services, Government
- 7 Relations. Now, again, this is as of 1990. This has
- 8 changed somewhat today.
- 9 Q. Is JEDEC identified somewhere on this
- 10 organization chart?
- 11 A. Well, as I said, the organization chart is
- 12 looking at EIA from a very high level, from the
- proverbial 5000 feet, if you will, and if you bore down
- into any of these boxes, there is a lot more detail.
- 15 If you were to bore down into the box that's on
- 16 the lower right of the page under Components Group that

- 1 activities.
- Q. In this time frame in the early 1990s, did the
- 3 Solid State Products Division of EIA encompass other
- 4 activities besides JEDEC?
- 5 A. Yes, the Solid State Products Division of EIA
- 6 also included government relations functions as of
- 7 1990.
- 8 O. I believe that we have a demonstrative exhibit
- 9 that we wanted to show you, if we could pull that up on
- 10 the screen.
- 11 Do you see the demonstrative that's been
- 12 displayed on the screen, Mr. Kelly?
- 13 A. I do.
- Q. Do you recognize the organization chart that's
- 15 reflected here?
- 16 A. This is a representation of the hierarchy
- 17 relating to the JEDEC organization during the period
- 18 1990 to 1998.
- 19 Q. And I'm sorry, do you --
- 20 You already have copies of these, Mr. Perry?
- 21 MR. PERRY: Yes.
- MR. ROYALL: Okay.
- BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Is it -- as best as you can tell, is it an
- 25 accurate depiction of how JEDEC was organized during

- the years reflected here, 1990 to '98?
- 2 A. Yes, with the -- with one qualification, and
- 3 that is that JEDEC moved at some point I believe during
- 4 these years out from under the Solid State Products
- 5 Division of EIA and into the engineering function, but
- 6 with that one exception, yes, this is accurate.
- Q. Do you see at the top of this exhibit --
- And by the way, Your Honor, I'm not sure, but I
- 9 think we may be at DX-22?
- 10 JUDGE McGUIRE: I think that's correct, DX-22.
- 11 Do you have any comment on that, Mr. Perry? Is that
- 12 your understanding or close to it?
- 13 MR. PERRY: I'm sorry, Your Honor, I'm --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: You weren't here the other day,
- 15 were you? I think it is DX-22, unless we can confirm
- that with the court reporter, and she wasn't here I
- 17 don't think on that day.
- 18 THE REPORTER: It would be on Monday's
- 19 transcript, if you have that handy.
- 20 JUDGE McGUIRE: We will currently mark that as
- 21 DX-22, because I do think that's correct.
- MR. ROYALL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 23 (DX Exhibit Number 22 was marked for
- 24 identification.)
- 25 BY MR. ROYALL:

1 Q. Referring now to what's now been identified,

- 2 Mr. Kelly, as DX-22, which is now on the screen, do you
- 3 see the column of boxes in the top half of the exhibit?
- 4 A. I do.
- 5 Q. And do those boxes accurately reflect the
- 6 reporting relationships that existed between JEDEC and
- 7 EIA in this general time period?
- 8 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 9 Q. Could I ask you to take a moment to walk
- through it briefly and explain the hierarchy of
- 11 relationships that's depicted in that column?
- 12 A. Okay, at the very top of the page, there is a
- 13 box that is identified as Electronic Industries
- 14 Association, EIA, and in fact, EIA was at this time the
- 15 parent umbrella organization for JEDEC, which is on the
- 16 lower part of the page.
- 17 Immediately under EIA is the Engineering
- 18 Department Executive Committee, also known as EDEC or
- 19 EDEC, and EDEC is the governing body for or was at
- 20 least at the time the governing body for all of the
- 21 engineering activities within the Electronic Industries
- 22 Alliance throughout all the sectors.
- 23 The next box is the EIA Solid State Products
- 24 Division, SSPD, which I have just described as the unit
- 25 within EIA at this time that represented solid state

- 1 products and semiconductor manufacturers and included
- 2 both the JEDEC engineering functions as well as
- 3 government relations functions.
- 4 The next box in order is the JEDEC Solid State

- 1 A. They generally depict the various committees of
- 2 JEDEC as they existed during this time frame.
- 3 O. And what does the abbreviation JC refer to?
- 4 A. JC refers to JEDEC Committee, and then it's
- 5 followed by a number, and in the box beneath the number
- on this chart you'll see a description of the areas of
- 7 technology that each committee operated within.
- Q. Do you know whether in this time frame each of
- 9 the various JEDEC committees that's identified here had
- 10 separate subcommittees?
- 11 A. Not all, but many did, yes, and in fact,
- several subcommittees of one of these committees,

- 1 within JEDEC as a whole?
- 2 A. I think the number was approximately 30 to 35
- 3 at that time, something on that order.
- 4 Q. I assume it may have varied throughout that
- 5 time period somewhat?
- 6 A. Yes. In fact, the number is larger now, so I
- 7 assume that there has been some variation throughout
- 8 the entire time period, but honestly, I wasn't tracking
- 9 the comings and goings of committees very closely, at
- 10 least within JEDEC, during that time frame.
- 11 Q. We have another demonstrative we would like to
- show you, which I believe will be referred to as DX-23?
- 13 JUDGE McGUIRE: Correct.
- 14 (DX Exhibit Number 23 was marked for
- 15 identification.)
- 16 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Do you recognize this demonstrative that's been
- 18 displayed on the screen, Mr. Kelly?
- 19 A. Yes, sir, as -- as it is designated, it is the
- 20 structure of JEDEC within the EIA organization as it
- 21 currently exists.
- Q. And the top box refers to the JEDEC board. Is
- 23 the JEDEC board today the sole governing body of JEDEC?
- 24 A. It is.
- 25 O. Do you yourself sit on the JEDEC board?

- 1 A. No. I attend most but not all JEDEC board
- 2 meetings. I try to participate in all of them either
- 3 personally or by telephone, but I'm not a member of the
- 4 board. I don't vote on the board. The board is
- 5 comprised of representatives of member companies that
- 6 are active in the JEDEC organization.
- 7 Q. Who currently serves as the chairperson of the
- 8 JEDEC board?
- 9 A. The chairperson of the JEDEC board currently is
- 10 Desi Rhoden.
- 11 Q. Let's go back, if we could, to CX-3092 and to
- page 27, which was the EIA organization chart.
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Within the EIA structure as it existed in the
- early 1990s, within the various groups and divisions
- represented on this organization chart, were there
- other working groups and subcommittees besides the
- 18 JEDEC committees that we've discussed?
- 19 A. Yes, there were many operating committees
- 20 within this structure that's depicted here as the EIA
- 21 organization overall.
- Q. Do you know roughly how many separate
- 23 committees and subcommittees were operating across EIA
- in, let's say, the early to the mid-1990s?
- 25 A. This is an approximation, but it's pretty

1 close. I would say roughly 200 throughout the

- 2 organization, 200 engineering committees.
- 3 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, at this time I'd like
- 4 to offer into evidence CX-3092, the 1990 EIA annual
- 5 report.
- 6 JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Perry?
- 7 MR. PERRY: No objection.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: So entered.
- 9 (CX Exhibit Number 3092 was admitted into
- 10 evidence.)
- 11 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 12 O. Mr. Kelly, I'd like to show you another
- 13 document.
- 14 May I approach, Your Honor?
- 15 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- 16 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 17 Q. Mr. Kelly, I've handed you what's been marked
- 18 for identification as CX-419. Do you recognize this
- 19 document?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Can you explain what it is?
- 22 A. This document is a letter that I sent --
- 23 although I don't remember this specific letter -- I
- 24 would have sent to a membership prospect in the time
- frame indicated on the letter, which was May 2000.

- Q. And what was the purpose of the letter?
- 2 A. The purpose of the letter was to solicit the
- 3 participation of in this case Microwave Power Devices
- 4 to become a member of the JEDEC organization.
- Q. Was this, in effect, a form letter that you
- 6 would send to candidates that were -- or prospective
- 7 members of JEDEC?
- 8 A. Yes, sir, at that time it was.
- 9 Q. I'd like to walk you through and ask you a few
- 10 questions about the statements in the letter, starting
- 11 with the first paragraph of CX-419. You state there: starting wave k You snile.iu,the let1-st

1 committees, subcommittees, working groups and task

- 2 groups. And the number of individual company
- 3 participants is roughly the same, about 1800.
- Q. Do you know how these statistics would compare
- 5 to the makeup of JEDEC in the early to mid-1990s?
- 6 A. I would say they're approximately the same.
- 7 Member companies in the early nineties was probably
- 8 closer to the 250 mark again, but I think the other
- 9 statistics are approximately correct.
- 10 Q. You say here that as of the date of this
- 11 letter, May 2000, there were 300 member companies but
- 12 800 individual participants in JEDEC. Is it common for
- companies in JEDEC to send multiple representatives to
- 14 JEDEC meetings?
- 15 A. Yes, sir, it is. Actually, the number of
- individual company participants is 1800, not 800, but
- it is not uncommon for companies to send multiple
- 18 representatives to JEDEC meetings overall, although
- it's not the norm that there would be multiple company
- 20 representatives at any individual committee meeting.
- 21 Some companies do send different people to different
- 22 committee activities within JEDEC.
- 23 O. You mention in this letter the number of
- 24 members of JEDEC. Roughly how many members does EIA
- 25 have today?

- 1 A. Today, approximately 2100 members.
- Q. And has that number changed materially over the
- 3 past decade or so?
- 4 A. It's up fairly considerably. I think it --
- 5 when I joined EIA, it was about 1200 members
- 6 approximately.
- 7 Q. Going back to the letter, CX-419, in the next
- 8 sentence of the letter, you state in reference to
- 9 JEDEC, "75% of the top 250 semiconductor manufacturers
- are members, representing 80% of semiconductor sales."
- 11 Do you see that?
- 12 A. I do.
- 13 Q. And do you understand those to be accurate
- 14 estimates or statistics?
- 15 A. I -- yes, sir, I certainly did as of May 2000,
- 16 yes.
- Q. What about the next statement, "An estimated
- 18 90% of semiconductor standards in use are JEDEC
- 19 standards."
- 20 Do you see that?
- 21 A. I do.
- Q. And do you understand that to be an accurate
- 23 statement?
- 24 A. I do.
- 25 Q. In the next paragraph you state, "JEDEC

1 standards are open (in terms of IP licensing)," and let

- 2 me stop there.
- 3 Do you see that language?
- 4 A. I do.
- 5 Q. Can I ask you to explain what you meant by that
- 6 statement?
- 7 A. Yes. JEDEC standards -- what I meant here
- 8 specifically was that JEDEC standards are open in the
- 9 sense that they are not subject to restrictive
- 10 intellectual property rights.
- 11 Q. And what do you mean by the term "restrictive
- intellectual property rights"?
- 13 A. What I mean by "restrictive intellectual
- 14 property rights" is unlimited intellectual property
- 15 rights; that is, not -- we had a -- something that
- 16 we -- we have a rule that we follow in JEDEC that's
- 17 known as the RAND rule, reasonable and
- 18 nondiscriminatory. Let me explain what that means.
- 19 Companies that participate in the process that
- 20 have relevant IP are required to disclose the IP and
- 21 then give assurances limiting their unbridled
- discretion to license that IP on any terms and
- 23 conditions that they elect, and that's what I'm
- referring to here as the limitation on IP rights, so
- 25 that they are not restrictive.

1 Q. Does the term "open standard," as you define it

- or as you use it here, refer to a standard that
- 3 includes no intellectual property whatsoever?
- 4 A. No. No, to the extent that intellectual
- 5 property is included in a standard, it must be subject
- 6 to the reasonable and nondiscriminatory assurances or
- 7 alternatively to an agreement to license without
- 8 charge, which is less common, but it sometimes happens.
- 9 Q. Are all JEDEC standards open standards in the
- 10 sense that you use that term here?
- 11 A. Yes, sir, those are the only kinds of standards
- 12 that JEDEC generates, and if I can go beyond that,
- 13 those are the only kinds of standards that EIA as a
- 14 whole generates.
- Q. In your view, is it important for JEDEC
- standards to remain open standards?
- 17 A. It's vital.
- 18 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, I don't know if he's
- 19 asking for him to give his view, but we would object to
- 20 the opinion testimony. He hasn't been designated as an
- 21 expert.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Any response, Mr. Royall?
- MR. ROYALL: Well, I am asking for his view as
- 24 EIA general counsel and as JEDEC president, and I don't
- 25 think it's in the form of expert testimony. I don't

- 1 think it's any --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: He can testify as to his own
- 3 observations and any perception but not opinion
- 4 testimony, if you want to restate the question.
- 5 MR. ROYALL: Well, I can restate the question,
- 6 but I think the question as stated was asking for his
- 7 own view, but I can restate it if you like.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Please do.
- 9 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 10 Q. In your view, Mr. Kelly, is it important for

- 1 his views on the interpretation of JEDEC rules or the
- 2 purposes of JEDEC --

on in JC-42 or his views of any of that, and we have

- 2 got that in his deposition. He says he has no idea
- 3 what was going on in JC-42 at the time. So, I just
- 4 worry that we're getting opinions and views about what
- 5 was going on back then when there's no foundation.
- 6 JUDGE McGUIRE: I will -- he's laid the
- 7 foundation at least to the time frame. That's
- 8 overruled. I'll let you go into that on cross
- 9 examination.
- 10 MR. PERRY: All right, thank you.
- 11 JUDGE McGUIRE: You may proceed, Mr. Royall.
- MR. ROYALL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 13 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Do you have the question in mind, Mr. Kelly?
- 15 A. I do. I can answer it a couple different ways.
- 16 Let me try to answer it straight on.
- 17 First of all, we have very basically open
- 18 standards, as I said before, are what we do. It's the
- 19 only kind of standard we generate at EIA or in JEDEC,
- 20 and it's important that we do that because openness
- 21 is -- it ensures that the end product of the standards
- 22 process won't be subject to unfair competition or
- 23 misuse by a particular company to enhance its market
- 24 power. It's designed to be open.
- 25 That's why there -- as I said before, we limit

- 1 the otherwise unbridled discretion of IP owners to
- 2 license on any terms that they see fit. Having the
- 3 technology included in the standard is a privilege, and
- 4 the condition for that -- for having that privilege is
- 5 to agree to a restriction on licensing. That in turn
- 6 allows the marketplace to know that they're dealing
- 7 with a standard that anyone can comply with on a -- on
- 8 a reasonable basis without -- without being, if you'll
- 9 excuse the expression, gouged in terms of IP licensing
- 10 royalties.
- 11 Q. Does JEDEC sometimes refer to itself as an open
- 12 standards organization?
- 13 A. Yes, it does.
- Q. And by that term, is JEDEC simply referring to
- 15 the open nature of the standards as you described, or
- is it referring to something else?
- 17 A. It's referring to the process by which the
- 18 standards are developed, which is an open process in
- 19 the sense that anyone with an interest in the subject
- 20 matter can participate and in the sense that the entire
- 21 process is conducted in good faith.
- 22 And then it also refers to the end product of
- 23 that process, which is what I'm identifying here, which
- is an open standard not subject to restrictive
- 25 intellectual property.

Q. If I could focus you back on Exhibit CX-419,

- and in fact, on the same sentence that we've been
- discussing, you go on in that sentence to state that
- 4 JEDEC standards are "voluntary."
- 5 Do you see that?
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- 7 Q. What do you mean in saying that JEDEC standards
- 8 are voluntary?
- 9 A. Voluntary in at least two senses. One is that
- 10 any company may voluntarily elect to participate or not
- 11 participate in the process by which standards are
- developed, and voluntary in terms of whether a company,
- after a standard is finally issued, elects to comply
- 14 with that standard or not. The whole -- the
- development and the compliance with the standard are
- 16 both entirely voluntary.
- Q. Does JEDEC sometimes refer to itself as a
- 18 voluntary standards organization?
- 19 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And what is meant by that term?
- 21 A. Basically what I've just said, that it's open
- to anyone with an interest in the subject matter to
- 23 participate and that the end product of the process is
- 24 a standard that companies can follow or not follow in
- 25 their own discretion.

Q. I don't believe that the term is used in this

- letter, but let me go ahead and ask you, does JEDEC
- 3 sometimes also refer to itself as a consensus standards
- 4 organization or a consensus standards developer?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. And what is meant by that term in reference to
- 7 JEDEC?
- 8 A. In every instance, our standards have to be
- 9 based upon a consensus of the formulating committee and
- 10 a consensus of the board -- of the -- now the JEDEC
- 11 board, formerly the JEDEC Council, indicating that they
- 12 agree with the content of the -- of the standard.
- Q. For a JEDEC committee to approve a standard, is
- 14 it necessary that there be unanimous support for the
- 15 standard?
- 16 A. No, sir. By consensus, we mean something less
- 17 than unanimous support as a matter of just counting
- 18 votes. As a practical matter, however, we try whenever
- 19 possible to attain unanimity or come as close to
- 20 unanimity as we can, and there's -- through the voting
- 21 process, people who vote "no" on a standard have an
- opportunity to express the basis for their "no" vote,
- and the committee has an opportunity to consider that
- objection and respond to it, and through that process,
- 25 hopefully most -- certainly the majority, most of the

1 members, hopefully a unanimous group of the members,

- will agree that the standard is appropriate for
- 3 adoption.
- 4 Q. Once a JEDEC committee approves a standard,
- 5 does it automatically become final and published or is
- there something else that has to happen?
- 7 A. Once the committee approves a standard, for
- 8 example, a JC-42 committee but it could be any of the
- 9 JEDEC committees, then that standard is -- the proposed
- 10 standard is sent by a ballot to the board of JEDEC,
- 11 which then has to again by a consensus approve the
- 12 ballot to adopt the standard.
- Q. Does the JEDEC board pay any attention to the
- 14 level of support or opposition to a standards proposal
- within the committee from which that proposal is
- 16 generated?
- 17 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, again, could we ask for
- 18 a time frame on these questions, because I don't think
- 19 he was on the board --
- 20 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Mr. Royall?
- MR. ROYALL: During the -- I am happy to do
- 22 that.
- 23 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. I believe you stated earlier, Mr. Kelly, that
- 25 you have -- although you don't sit on the board, you

- 1 have some involvement in JEDEC board activities?
- 2 A. That is correct.
- 3 O. And when did that involvement commence?
- 4 A. I believe I attended my first JEDEC board
- 5 meeting in February -- January or February of 1997.
- 6 O. And in your experience being involved with the
- 7 JEDEC board, do you know whether the board pays
- 8 attention to the level of support or opposition to a
- 9 standards proposal when that proposal is then presented
- 10 to the board for its approval?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 O. And if there was opposition to the standards
- proposal, is that something that in your experience has
- been an issue one way or the other with the JEDEC
- 15 board?
- 16 A. The board will always discuss the fact that
- there are negative votes, particularly if there are
- 18 unresolved negative votes. It will be a subject of
- 19 discussion at board meetings, yes.

- 1 access to a JEDEC standard, what would they have to do
- 2 to gain access?
- 3 A. Go to our web page, which is indicated on this
- 4 exhibit, click on the download area, identify the
- 5 standard, and then download it, and they frequently do.
- Q. In the same -- again, the same sentence or, I'm
- 7 sorry, the same paragraph that we've been focusing on

or among the members relating to JEDEC business as much

- 2 as possible. So, we are web-enabled and
- 3 internet-enabled to the extent that that is feasible.
- 4 Q. Based on your experience and involvement with
- 5 JEDEC over the -- roughly the past 13 years, is it your
- 6 understanding that it is important to JEDEC that its
- 7 standards process moves quickly?
- 8 A. When that's -- when that is the demand of the
- 9 industry, yes.
- 10 Q. And why is that important when it's the demand
- 11 of the industry?
- 12 A. Well, because companies that are interested in
- developing standards have other options than open
- 14 standards. Open standards is an old, traditional
- process, and a newer model, for example, would be
- 16 consortium -- consortia-developed standards, which
- 17 don't look anything like the end product of the JEDEC
- 18 process, but that process is at least believed to move
- 19 very quickly.
- Q. Just to be clear, you mentioned the word
- 21 "consortia standards" or term "consortia standards."
- 22 Can you explain what you mean by that?
- A. Yes, a consortia is a group of companies that
- join together voluntarily, usually through a contract,
- 25 to develop a standard. The standard is ordinarily not

- 1 subject to any restriction on the ability of the IP
- 2 owners to license other than any restrictions that may
- 3 be agreed to as a matter of contract between the
- 4 participants. Frequently the participants have
- 5 agreements relating to IP licensing between themselves,
- 6 cross-licensing or something of that nature.
- 7 And that process moves very slowly because it's
- 8 closed. It's not open to the industry. It's only open
- 9 to the participants in the consortia.
- 10 Q. Let me ask you to focus on the next paragraph
- of CX-419, the first sentence, which reads in part,
- 12 "What JEDEC standards mean to the industry is lower
- price and wider supply, " and I'll stop there.
- Do you see that language?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. When you use the term "industry" here, what
- industry are you referring to?
- 18 A. I am referring to actually the entire supply
- 19 chain, not just the semiconductor industry that
- 20 manufactures the products that JEDEC specs, but also
- 21 the industries that use those products, including
- 22 consumer electronics, IT, automotive, aeronautics and
- 23 so forth.
- Q. And what do you mean when you say that JEDEC
- 25 standards mean lower price and wider supply to the

- 1 industry?
- 2 A. Let me take the latter first. Wider supply
- 3 basically means there are more suppliers. Because it
- 4 is an open standard, any company wishing to comply can
- 5 and can develop product to the standards, and that
- tends to mean more sources of supply, and because
- 7 there's more competition in the manufacture of product,
- 8 it tends over time to drive the price down for the
- 9 benefit of the supply chain as well as OEMs and end
- 10 users and in many cases consumers.
- 11 Q. And you go on to say in the same sentence that
- 12 JEDEC standards mean consistent quality and
- 13 reliability.
- 14 Do you see that?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Can you explain what you meant by that
- 17 statement?
- 18 A. Many but not all JEDEC standards include --
- 19 cover aspects of quality and reliability, and to the
- 20 extent that companies are following JEDEC standards,
- 21 there is a consistency in terms of quality and
- 22 reliability.
- 23 Q. And finally, let me ask you about the language
- 24 at the end of that same sentence where you say that
- 25 JEDEC standards mean "uniform terms and definitions,

1 common packages, interchangeability of logic, memory,

- 2 et cetera."
- 3 Do you see that?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 Q. And can you explain what you mean by that
- 6 language?
- 7 A. Yes, sir. Again, this is an elaboration of the
- 8 benefits of open standard-setting in terms of getting
- 9 the entire industry on the same page, which is almost
- 10 where we started.
- MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, at this time I would
- 12 like to offer in evidence CX-419.
- MR. PERRY: No objection.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: So entered.
- 15 (CX Exhibit Number 419 was admitted into
- 16 evidence.)
- 17 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 18 O. Now, Mr. Kelly, you mentioned a moment ago that
- 19 JEDEC, if I understood your testimony, has on the order
- of 1800 individual participants. Is that right?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. How many individuals are on JEDEC's staff?
- A. Including myself, ten.
- Q. And generally speaking, what role does JEDEC
- 25 staff play in the work of the organization?

- 1 A. We facilitate the meetings.
- 2 O. Do JEDEC staff members ever chair substantive
- 3 committees within JEDEC?
- 4 A. No, sir.
- 5 O. How is it determined who will chair a
- 6 substantive committee within JEDEC?
- 7 MR. PERRY: Again, Your Honor, could I ask for
- 8 a time frame for these questions?
- 9 JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Royall?
- 10 MR. ROYALL: Your involvement -- I can -- I
- 11 think I established that he's been involved with JEDEC
- 12 since 1990, but I can come back and do that.
- 13 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Mr. Perry, what's
- 14 your objection?
- MR. PERRY: Your Honor, the testimony is very
- 16 clear from this gentleman that he has no idea what went
- on within JC-42 in the time period we're focused on,
- 18 which is '91-'96, and I can voir dire him --
- 19 JUDGE McGUIRE: Was your question pertaining to
- 20 JC --
- MR. ROYALL: No, it's not.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: I didn't think it was either.
- 23 It's on the overall organization of JEDEC, if I
- 24 understand the question.
- 25 MR. ROYALL: Yeah, if I have a question about

1 JC-42, I will make that clear in the question, but this

- 2 is a question that's generic to JEDEC committees and
- 3 the role played by JEDEC staff.
- 4 MR. PERRY: Okay, that's fine, if we're not
- 5 talking about JC-42, I'm sorry, then --
- 6 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes, I didn't understand him to
- 7 be asking about JEDEC 42. It was a broader question
- 8 than that.
- 9 MR. ROYALL: We might get to that soon.
- 10 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, proceed, Mr. Royall.
- 11 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 12 O. Mr. Kelly, generally speaking, how is it
- determined who will serve as the leaders of JEDEC's
- 14 various committees and subcommittees?
- 15 A. The members of each committee and subcommittee
- 16 elect from their membership a chairman and a
- 17 vice-chairman. So, the -- so, the chairman and
- 18 vice-chairman are company representatives; they are not
- 19 staff.
- Q. I'd like to show you another document.
- 21 May I approach, Your Honor?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 24 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 25 Q. Mr. Kelly, I've just handed you a one-page

- 1 document which has been marked for identification as
- 2 RX-2233. Do you recognize this document?
- A. Yes, sir, this is an organizational chart
- 4 depicting the structure of the JEDEC staff.
- 5 Q. And is it an accurate depiction of the current
- 6 organization of JEDEC staff?
- 7 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- Q. So, is it correct that, counting correctly,
- 9 your entire staff today consists of yourself and nine
- 10 other staff members?
- 11 A. That is correct.
- 12 Q. Do you know how w w w w w w w w 3hGpares wi
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1 A. Yes, sir, I'm sorry, to the EIA engineering

- 2 department, yes.
- Q. Could I ask you very quickly to walk through
- 4 and identify the functions of the various staff that
- 5 report to you as reflected on this organization chart?
- A. Okay, well, first of all, they are basically as
- 7 depicted here. I've already testified that what my
- 8 functions are, executive management and legal.
- 9 Again, at the next level of the org chart,
- 10 starting from the left, Julie Carlson is a manager.
- 11 She is responsible for committee support of JC-10,
- 12 JC-11 and JC-60. JC-60, by the way, at this point no
- 13 longer exists. They have ceased their functioning.
- 14 She is also responsible for the publication of
- 15 standards and other publications and for responding to
- inquiries that we receive via our website.
- 17 Next in order is Lori Hurlbutt. She is a
- 18 manager. She is responsible secondarily to myself for
- 19 budgeting and finance of the organization. She also
- 20 supports the JC-13 committee. She's involved along
- 21 with Ingrid Taylor in activities of the IEC, which is
- 22 the International Electrotechnical Commission. She
- 23 also manages our awards program and is editor of our
- 24 newsletter.
- 25 Next is Arnaud Lebeque. He is the

- 1 administrator of our website, also now administers our
- 2 computer network and along with Julie Carlson responds
- 3 to website inquiries.
- 4 Next, Donna McEntire is the manager, now
- 5 director, of our meetings function. She is the
- 6 meetings planner. She is responsible for working with
- 7 hotel contracts and making other meeting arrangements,
- 8 and more recent -- and recently also in charge of our
- 9 events, of which we have several.
- 10 Mr. McGhee is next. He is a staff director,
- and Mr. McGhee supports more committees I think than
- 12 any other member of the staff. He is responsible for
- the support of JC-1 -- anp- anp- anp- anp- an 2E an5 anpra2np

- 1 Q. Okay.
- 2 A. Again, back to the third tier, Phileasher
- 3 Tanner is an administrative assistant. She also
- 4 supports the JC-22 committee. She is responsible for
- 5 maintaining something we call Publication 95, and she
- 6 also is responsible for miscellaneous billings, which
- 7 is an accounting-related function.
- 8 Angie Steigleman next is the senior coordinator
- 9 in charge of electronic balloting. That is the
- 10 balloting process by which all committee ballots are
- 11 processed. Also, marketing support. She is
- 12 responsible for assembling our newsletter and
- 13 statistical research, it indicates here, but I don't
- 14 know if she does any.
- 15 And then finally, Ingrid Taylor is a part-time
- 16 employee currently. She is responsible for the support
- of the JC-14 committee. She is the -- she performs the
- 18 secretariat function for the IEC SC 47D committee, and
- 19 she is also liaison on behalf of JEDEC with several
- 20 other international organizations, including the
- 21 Japanese Electronic Information Technology Association,
- 22 JEITA, and several others.
- Q. Thank you, Mr. Kelly.
- Let me ask you this: To the extent that any of
- 25 these staff members are responsible for working with or

- 1 supporting the activities of particular JEDEC
- 2 committees, generally speaking, what types of
- 3 responsibilities does that entail?
- 4 A. It entails preparing or at least mailing out
- 5 notices of meetings and meeting agendas; physically
- 6 attending all of the meetings of all of the committees
- 7 and their subcommittees, which occur around the country
- 8 and sometimes around the world; taking minutes at those
- 9 meetings; preparing drafts of minutes for review by the
- 10 chairman and by myself; finalizing the minutes of the
- 11 meetings; and responding to inquiries from members on
- 12 business related to the committee's activities in the
- interim between meetings.
- 14 Q. And I believe you mentioned in discussing Mr.
- McGhee that, among other committees, he's responsible
- 16 currently for supporting the JC-42 committee. Is that
- 17 right?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- 19 O. Does that include the subcommittees of JC-42?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- 21 Q. Do you know how long Mr. McGhee has been
- working with the JC-42 committee and its subcommittees?
- 23 A. As long as I have been associated with JEDEC
- 24 and EIA. In other words, since early September of
- 25 1990.

- 1 Q. Is Mr. McGhee an engineer?
- 2 A. No, sir, he is not.
- Q. Are any of the members of JEDEC's staff
- 4 engineers?
- 5 A. No, sir.
- Q. How long has Mr. McGhee reported to you?
- A. Mr. McGhee has reported to me since March 2001.
- 8 Prior to that time, he reported to Ingrid Taylor, who I
- 9 believe I said earlier was the chief of staff prior to
- 10 that time.
- 11 Q. You have mentioned in discussing one of the
- 12 JEDEC staff members I think Ms. -- is it Hurlbutt?
- 13 A. Hurlbutt, yes, sir.
- Q. You mentioned budget, JEDEC's budget. How
- 15 large is JEDEC's budget?
- 16 A. Currently, it's approximately \$2 -- I think
- 17 \$2.2 million, but of that \$2.2 million, part represents
- 18 the standards activity and part represents the events
- 19 that I referred to earlier, which have tended to
- 20 increase our income and also our expenses.
- Q. Do you know how much of that budget is
- 22 allocated to salaries?
- 23 A. The vast majority, half probably, close to half
- anyway.
- 25 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, at this time I would

1 like to offer into evidence this document, which has

- been marked as RX-2233.
- 3 MR. PERRY: No objection.
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: Entered.
- 5 (RX Exhibit Number 2233 was admitted into
- 6 evidence.)
- 7 THE WITNESS: Can I qualify that? I should
- 8 have said half, not the vast majority. Half, it's
- 9 about half of the budget is salaries.
- 10 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 11 Q. Okay, thank you.
- Now, let me ask you a few questions about
- membership in JEDEC and in EIA. How does one become a
- member of JEDEC?
- 15 A. One becomes a member of JEDEC by filling out a
- 16 membership application and paying dues.
- 17 Q. Is there a separate membership application for
- 18 EIA?
- 19 A. No, sir.
- 20 Q. By becoming a member of JEDEC, does one
- 21 automatically become a member of EIA?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And has that always been true in your
- 24 experience since you joined EIA in 1990?
- 25 A. Since I've been with EIA, that has been true,

- 1 yes.
- Q. Were JEDEC members, to your knowledge, informed
- 3 that by becoming a member of JEDEC, they were
- 4 considered to automatically have become members of EIA?
- 5 MR. PERRY: No foundation as to -- depending
- 6 upon the time period, Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, he --
- MR. ROYALL: What was the --
- 9 MR. PERRY: No foundation depending upon the
- 10 time period you're asking about.
- 11 JUDGE McGUIRE: -- he just -- his question, as
- 12 I understood it, took him back to since he's been
- involved, since 1990.
- MR. ROYALL: Yes.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: That's my understanding of the
- 16 question.
- 17 MR. ROYALL: And I can restate that.
- 18 JUDGE McGUIRE: Just a second.
- 19 MR. PERRY: My objection would be there is no
- 20 foundation for the knowledge about what JEDEC members
- 21 were told.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Any comment on that, Mr.
- 23 Royall?
- MR. ROYALL: I can -- I can lay a foundation if
- 25 you like.

1 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, proceed.

- 2 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 3 Q. Mr. Kelly, do you have any knowledge as to
- 4 what, if anything, JEDEC members were informed of in
- 5 terms of whether their membership in JEDEC would
- 6 automatically result in them becoming members of EIA?
- 7 A. In terms of oral communications, no, sir. In
- 8 terms of other communications, yes.
- 9 Q. Can you explain?
- 10 A. Every member of EIA, up until -- I believe I
- 11 testified up until 1998 received a copy of the annual
- 12 report of EIA. During the -- that same time frame,
- every member of EIA received a copy of the EIA Trade
- 14 Directory. And also, EIA members would routinely
- 15 receive communications from EIA, sometimes eliciting
- 16 complaints from members that they were getting too much
- 17 paper.
- 18 O. You mentioned something called the Trade
- 19 Directory. Can you explain what that is?
- 20 A. Yes, sir -- oh, by the way, there is one
- 21 publication I left out. There was also a Standards
- 22 Index, which was a list of all of our published
- 23 standards, which was provided on an annual basis via
- the mail to every EIA member.
- 25 O. And on that subject, so would that include

1 non-JEDEC standards that were developed by other parts

- 2 of EIA?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, that was a comprehensive list of all
- 4 of the standards that were developed by all of the
- 5 sectors of EIA and all of their committees.
- 6 O. And to your knowledge, was that document sent
- 7 to JEDEC members in the period starting with 19 --
- 8 September 1990 when you joined the organization?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, it was sent to all the EIA members,
- 10 including all JEDEC members.
- 11 Q. Now, going back, you mentioned something called
- 12 the EIA Trade Directory. Is that right?
- 13 A. The Trade Directory, yes.
- Q. Can you explain what that is?
- 15 A. The Trade Directory is no longer. That ceased
- 16 publication around the same time as the annual reports,
- 17 so roughly 1998. The Trade Directory was a
- 18 comprehensive volume, about an inch thick, that listed
- 19 all EIA member companies, indicating the sector that
- 20 they belonged to, who their corporate leadership was,
- 21 and what types of products they manufactured, as well
- as what trade names the companies elected to disclose
- to us, and we'd list those as well, what trade names
- the company operated under.
- 25 O. Can -- and again, focusing on the time period

- that you've been involved with both organizations,
- 2 since September 1990, can individuals join -- that is,
- 3 individuals -- join JEDEC and EIA or is membership
- 4 limited to companies?
- 5 A. Some sectors of EIA allow individual membership
- 6 currently. When I started in 1990, membership was
- 7 exclusively corporate. Today, it's a mix, but in
- 8 JEDEC, it is all corporate membership.
- 9 Q. And with respect to JEDEC, has that been true
- 10 since you joined EIA in 1990?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 O. What privileges or benefits, if you will, are
- there to membership in JEDEC?
- 14 A. Currently?
- 15 Q. Based on -- if you can explain based on the
- time period that you've been involved with EIA and
- 17 JEDEC since 1990.
- 18 A. Okay, let me try to -- I'll try to identify the
- 19 time frame when I identify the benefit.
- 20 First of all, members are permitted to attend
- 21 more -- to attend more than one meeting. Non-members
- are limited to one meeting. So, members can attend any
- 23 meeting. They can receive meeting notices. They
- 24 receive copies of minutes of meetings. They have an
- opportunity to vote on a one-company/one-vote basis.

1 They have the right to review -- the right to

- 2 receive copies obviously of standards and other
- 3 publications that are distributed generally by JEDEC to
- 4 members -- JEDEC to its members, and that would have
- 5 been true throughout the entire period. They're
- 6 entitled to participate obviously in EIA activities to
- 7 the extent they have an interest in EIA activities.
- 8 That's in essence it.
- 9 Q. Thank you.
- 10 Just to follow up on that, do you have to be a
- 11 member of JEDEC to make a presentation at a JEDEC
- 12 meeting?
- 13 A. No, sir.
- 14 Q. And I believe you said something about
- 15 non-members can attend one meeting? Is that what you
- 16 said?
- 17 A. Non-members can attend one meeting without
- joining or without paying a non-member participation
- 19 fee. I frankly don't recall anyone ever paying a
- 20 non-member participation fee. I think they attend one
- 21 meeting, and they either decide to come back again and
- become members or they don't come back again.
- O. Are members of JEDEC required to vote on
- 24 matters that come before JEDEC committees?
- 25 A. I'm sorry, could you repeat the question?

- Q. Are members of JEDEC that participate in JEDEC
- 2 committees required to vote on matters that come before
- 3 the committee?
- 4 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, again, there's a

1 years, once having become a member of JEDEC, how would

- 2 a company go about withdrawing from the organization?
- 3 A. A company can withdraw from JEDEC by either
- 4 submitting a letter indicating their wish, their desire
- 5 to withdraw, or by not paying their annual dues.
- 6 Q. If a company were simply to be a few weeks late
- 7 in paying its annual dues, would it risk being dropped
- 8 as a member of JEDEC? Again, based on your experience
- 9 with the organization over the past 13 years.
- 10 A. No, sir.
- 11 Q. Under what circumstances, based on your
- 12 experience, could late payment or nonpayment of dues
- cause one to be dropped as a member of JEDEC?
- 14 A. JEDEC generally issues their dues invoices in
- 15 the last quarter of the year preceding the dues year,
- 16 and sometimes it slides over later than that into
- 17 January of the dues year. Following that, there are
- 18 three sequential notices, past due notices that are
- issued, one in the spring, usually around April; one in
- 20 the May-June time frame; and then another in late
- 21 summer.
- We do not drop member companies for nonpayment
- of dues until around September 1, and the reason for
- 24 that is that the nonpayment of dues is equivocal, and
- 25 if you understand this industry, sometimes it's driven

- 1 by economic considerations, and it's not at all unusual
- 2 for member companies to be six months late in paying
- 3 their dues. We don't ever drop them without knowing to
- 4 a reasonable degree of certainty that they don't intend
- 5 to pay their dues.
- 6 Q. Since you joined EIA as general counsel in
- 7 1990, has this always been true; that is, what you just
- 8 described in terms of the potential for a JEDEC member
- 9 to be dropped because of the nonpayment of dues?
- 10 A. This has been standardh9?be siIf the nonpayment of du

1 continue to receive minutes, to your knowledge --

- 2 A. Yes, they do.
- 3 O. -- from the JEDEC committees that they're
- 4 involved in?
- 5 A. Yes, I'm sorry. They are entitled to continue
- 6 receiving minutes and other committee-related
- 7 correspondence until the time that they're dropped as
- 8 members.
- 9 Q. Are there any benefits or privileges of JEDEC
- 10 membership that a member company that is late in paying
- its dues would not be entitled to, that is, before
- being dropped as a member?
- 13 A. No, sir, they receive the same benefits that
- 14 they would have received during the entire time they
- 15 were paying their dues.
- Q. When you were hired as EIA's general counsel in
- 17 1990, how would you describe your basic job
- 18 responsibilities?
- 19 A. I was the chief legal officer for the entire
- 20 EIA organization, including all of the sectors of EIA,
- 21 except for the Telecommunications Industry Association,
- 22 which I indicated earlier was separately incorporated.
- 23 They had their own outside general counsel, and I
- 24 provided standards-related legal support to TIA, but
- 25 with respect to the remainder of the operation, I was

- 1 the legal counsel.
- Q. You used the term "chief legal counsel" or
- 3 "chief legal officer." Can you elaborate on what that
- 4 job responsibility entailed?
- 5 A. Right. Well, first of all, let me explain that
- 6 certain other of the operating units in EIA had and do
- 7 have their own in-house legal counsel, and I have a
- 8 dotted-line -- dotted-line relationship with those
- 9 individuals, so we're kind of a loosely configured
- 10 group within the organization that provides legal
- 11 support.
- 12 I, however, prior to the federation -- and that
- lasted until the federation of EIA when everyone became
- 14 separately incorporated. I was the -- and I'm
- 15 referring to the early period now -- I was the chief
- legal officer of the entire organization, so I -- all
- 17 of the other legal officers would consult with me, and
- 18 I would advise them, and we would operate, as I said,
- 19 as a group or as a team.
- 20 And my responsibilities in that capacity
- 21 included advising staff on legal issues that arise in
- 22 the context of the business of EIA, and EIA is -- or at
- 23 least at the time was approximately -- an approximately
- \$200 million, 300-employee trade association with --
- 25 I've already indicated, with very diverse activities.

- 1 It's also a business, like any business, so we had
- 2 human relations issues that I'd be involved in and
- 3 contract review and advising governance boards
- 4 regarding EIA procedures.
- I answered questions from members of EIA about
- 6 legal issues that would arise in the context of their
- 7 work with EIA, in particular with respect to the
- 8 engineering functions. I would review minutes of all
- 9 engineering committee meetings. I would answer
- 10 questions from the staff responsible for supporting
- 11 engineering committee activities, as well as from the
- 12 participating member companies and their individual
- 13 representatives on legal issues relating to their work
- in committees.
- I would review all standards proposals and all
- standards that were issued in the engineering
- 17 activities. And basically anything else that came up
- 18 that was of a legal nature in the context of the
- 19 overall operations of EIA or specifically with regard
- 20 to standards, I provided advice as requested.
- Q. And what you've just described, those were your
- 22 basic job responsibilities as EIA general counsel when
- 23 you started with the organization in late 1990. Is
- 24 that right?
- 25 A. That is correct.

1 Q. Have your basic responsibilities as EIA general

- 2 counsel changed over time in the roughly 13 years
- 3 you've been with the organization?
- 4 A. With the restructuring of the organization in
- 5 2000, there were certain changes in my relationships
- 6 with the various sectors of EIA, because they're now
- 7 all separate corporations, but generally speaking, I
- 8 still provide the same services to each of the sectors,
- 9 with the -- and I don't want to get into too much
- 10 detail right now, but there have also been some changes
- in terms of TIA.
- I don't review -- as of this year only, I don't
- 13 review their standards-related activities. I only work
- 14 with them on contract matters. But as far as the rest
- of the organization is concerned, my functions are
- 16 essentially what they have been over time.
- 17 Relationships are a little bit different.
- 18 O. And throughout the period of your employment
- 19 with EIA as general counsel, has one of your
- 20 responsibilities involved giving legal guidance
- 21 relating to standardization activities?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And can you describe in general terms the types
- 24 of legal issues that are most often raised to your
- 25 level for quidance?

1 A. There are -- well, first of all, antitrust

- 2 issues come up occasionally, and they can relate to
- 3 anything from discussion of price in connection with a
- 4 standard-setting activity to whether a company's
- 5 motivation for a particular activity is proper or
- 6 improper under the antitrust laws; whether there's bias
- 7 involved, for example, company bias in terms of its own
- 8 competitive position and whether that affects the
- 9 out -- influences the process.
- 10 It could involve the question of whether or not
- 11 a particular subject of discussion is appropriate, like
- whether it's appropriate to talk about capacity or
- 13 supply or international competition, things of that
- 14 nature. So, it's a whole range of things that come up
- in the standards area from an antitrust standpoint.
- Also, obviously, because I know why we're here,
- 17 a number of questions do arise from time to time about
- 18 the patent policy of EIA and JEDEC, because that is
- 19 part of -- and a very important part -- of the ground
- 20 rules for the engineering function.
- 21 Q. When you give legal guidance relating to the
- types of issues that you've described, to whom are you
- 23 normally giving the guidance? Is it to EIA staff, to
- committee leadership, to individual member companies?
- 25 A. All of the above.

1 Q. Do the member companies involved in EIA

- 2 standards-related activities have the ability to
- 3 consult directly with you on legal matters or
- 4 procedural matters, or do they have to go through the
- 5 staff first?
- A. No, they not only have the ability; they're
- 7 encouraged to contact -- contact me if they have any
- 8 question. And the way they're encouraged is by the
- 9 staff person responsible for supporting the committee,
- 10 by the committee chairs, and by other members, frankly,
- 11 who have interacted with me over time.
- 12 And also, my identity is no secret. It's on
- 13 the web page. It's been in the annual reports and the
- 14 trade directories. My contact information is very
- 15 public as well.
- Q. You mentioned as you were describing your
- 17 responsibilities and the areas in which you give legal
- 18 guidance that one of those areas is in relation to
- 19 antitrust issues. Is that correct?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- 21 Q. Do you regard giving advice on
- 22 antitrust-related issues to be an important part of
- 23 your job responsibilities?
- A. Yes, sir, a very important part.
- 25 O. And why is that?

- 1 ensure the integrity of the work that we do, and the
- 2 end product of that work is the standards, that is the
- 3 integrity of the standards. So, the procedure --
- 4 process procedure is critical to our work and to the
- 5 by-product, the end product of our work.
- 6 O. As EIA's general counsel, and referring to the
- 7 entire time that you served in that position since
- 8 1990, have you been responsible for reviewing the
- 9 official minutes of meetings conducted by
- 10 EIA-affiliated organizations or committees?
- 11 A. Yes, sir, as I've just -- I think I just
- 12 testified earlier, with the exception of TIA this year
- 13 only, I have reviewed all the minutes for all of the
- 14 EIA activities for all of the time I have been with the
- 15 EIA, with very few exceptions, and that would be those
- 16 rare occasions where those minutes were reviewed by one
- 17 of the other attorneys in the team that I referred to
- 18 earlier, the legal team.
- 19 Q. Do you have any idea of roughly how many sets
- of meeting minutes you review in a given year?
- 21 A. I was asked that question in deposition, and I
- think I estimated a few hundred. I've actually gone
- 23 back and checked now, because I keep electronic logs of
- the minutes I reviewed, and in the year 2000, for
- example, it was 630 sets of minutes.

- 1 Q. Do you know whether that number has changed
- 2 materially over the past decade or so?
- A. My perception is it hasn't, but I haven't
- 4 counted other years. I think that's fairly
- 5 representative.
- Q. Of those roughly 600 sets of meeting minutes
- 7 that you review each year, do you know roughly how many
- 8 come from JEDEC meetings as opposed to some other part
- 9 of EIA?

- find out what's going on there.
- 2 If there is any suggestion of a violation of
- 3 our procedures, for example, the lack of a quorum, I
- 4 would inquire further in that respect. If there's any
- 5 indication of any other improper activity, certainly I
- 6 would identify and flag that. Certainly if there's a
- 7 patent issue, I slow down and at least make sure I
- 8 understand as much as I can about the issue. And if
- 9 there are questions in any of those areas, frequently I
- 10 will follow up with the staff supporting committee and
- 11 sometimes with the committee chair and sometimes with
- 12 the member companies involved.
- Q. In addition to reviewing the minutes of
- 14 committee meetings, have you in your capacity as EIA's
- 15 general counsel made it a point to personally attend
- 16 committee meetings within JEDEC or other EIA
- 17 organizations?
- 18 A. No, in particular, with regard to JEDEC, I
- 19 think prior to the time that I testified I first
- 20 attended a JEDEC board meeting, which was early 1997, I
- 21 never attended any JEDEC meeting. I have been
- 22 requested on occasion by committee chairs and by staff
- 23 and by sector executives to attend select committee
- 24 meetings when there was a specific issue that required
- 25 my attention or where my advice had been solicited.

1 Q. Just so this is clear, between 1990 when you

- 2 started as EIA's general counsel and 1997, how many
- 3 JEDEC meetings did you attend in that period?
- 4 A. Zero.
- 5 Q. And when was the first JEDEC meeting that you
- 6 attended?
- 7 A. The first JEDEC meeting would have been roughly
- 8 January-February 1997.
- 9 Q. And do you recall why you attended or why you
- were asked to attend that meeting?
- 11 A. Yes, sir. At that time, in addition to being
- 12 EIA general counsel, I was also the executive vice
- president of EIA, which meant that I was responsible --
- 14 I was second in command after the president, and there
- was a budgetary issue involving JEDEC and EIA, and the
- 16 president of EIA at the time, Pete McCloskey, asked me
- to go to Florida and attend a JEDEC board meeting to
- 18 discuss the budgetary issue.
- Q. Now that you're the president of JEDEC, what
- 20 JEDEC-related meetings do you personally attend?
- 21 A. None other than, as I mentioned before, board
- 22 meetings, and not all of those. I try to participate
- in all board meetings either in person or by telephone,
- 24 but I probably attend about two-thirds of the board
- 25 meetings personally and the other third by telephone.

1 Q. To go to an issue that's been raised already

- 2 today, have you ever attended a meeting of the JC-42
- 3 committee of JEDEC?
- 4 A. No, sir, never.
- 5 Q. Have you ever attended a meeting of any of the
- 6 subcommittees of JC-42?
- 7 A. I never have.
- 8 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, I don't know what your
- 9 preference is. I'm at a breaking point if anyone
- 10 wanted to take a short break, or we can keep going.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Yeah, let's take a short break,
- 12 ten minutes.
- MR. ROYALL: That's fine.
- 14 JUDGE McGUIRE: And then we will reconvene.
- MR. ROYALL: Thank you.
- 16 (A brief recess was taken.)
- 17 JUDGE McGUIRE: On the record.
- 18 At this point, you can proceed with your
- 19 questioning, Mr. Royall.
- MR. ROYALL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 21 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Mr. Kelly, you mentioned earlier that one of
- your responsibilities as EIA's general counsel involves
- 24 providing input and guidance concerning I believe you
- 25 said the interpretation and application of the

- 1 organization's rules. Is that right?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Within EIA, who generally has the last word on

- 1 rules, and he and I talked. And I also spoke fairly
- 2 extensively during that period and then on an ongoing
- 3 basis with Mr. Kinn, who was the vice president of
- 4 engineering at the time, about the engineering-specific
- 5 rules of EIA.
- 6 And I'm sure I had conversations with other
- 7 people as well, but those were the three key people I
- 8 spoke with. And as I said, I reviewed all the manuals,
- 9 in some cases numerous times.
- 10 Q. If I could take them one by one, the
- individuals you mentioned, I'd like to ask to your
- 12 knowledge how far back their experience with EIA went,
- 13 starting with Mr. McCloskey.
- A. Mr. McCloskey was president of EIA since 1977
- or '78. He is no longer. He was president until 1998.
- Q. And he's one of the individuals that you
- 17 conferred with to gain an understanding of EIA's rules
- when you joined the organization?
- 19 A. Yes, sir.

Q. And what about Mr. Kinn, who I believe you

- 2 mentioned?
- 3 A. I honestly don't know how long Jack Kinn had
- 4 been with EIA prior to my arrival, but for quite a long
- 5 time anyway.
- 6 O. When you arrived at EIA in 1990, did the
- 7 organization have rules in place relating specifically
- 8 to standard-setting activities?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, they did or it did.
- 10 O. Was there at that time one set of rules -- and
- 11 I'm referring in this question to written rules -- that
- 12 applied to all EIA standards-related activities, or did
- 13 the separate divisions and sectors within EIA have
- 14 their own standards-related rules?
- 15 A. There was one set of rules that EIA adopted for
- 16 quidance of the EIA's committees and all of the
- 17 sectoral activities within EIA, and then most of the
- 18 sectors had their own specific engineering manuals.
- 19 So, both.
- 20 O. Were the basic rules, when it came to
- 21 governance of EIA-related standard-setting activities,
- 22 set forth in writing at the time that you joined the
- 23 organization in 1990?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And where were they set forth in writing?

1 A. They were set forth in writing in basically

- three documents. Two were engineering manuals, EP-3
- 3 and EP-7, and I can't recall the specific titles, but
- 4 EP-3 and EP-7, and then also in a document that was
- 5 published by my office called the EIA Legal Guides.
- 6 O. I'd like to show you another document, Mr.
- 7 Kelly.
- 8 May I approach, Your Honor?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Please.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 11 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Mr. Kelly, I've handed you what's been marked
- for identification as CX-204. Do you recognize this
- 14 document?
- 15 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 16 O. And what is it?
- 17 A. This is a copy of the Legal Guides as they
- 18 existed in roughly the mid-1990s.
- 19 Q. And when you say the Legal Guides, you're
- 20 referring to the EIA Legal Guides?
- 21 A. EIA Legal Guides, yes, sir.
- O. And let me ask you to turn to what's marked as
- 23 page 3 of Exhibit 204, and on the left-hand side of
- that page, you'll see one page from the Legal Guides
- 25 with the heading Forward. Do you see that?

- 1 A. I do.
- Q. And under that I believe you'll see your name
- 3 listed?
- 4 A. I do.
- 5 O. Does that indicate that this was a version of
- 6 the Legal Guides that was published sometime after you
- 7 joined EIA?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Do you know roughly when this version of the
- 10 Legal Guides was published?
- 11 A. I do judging from the identity of the chairman
- of the law committee, and back on the first page that
- 13 you showed on the computer -- on the computer monitor,
- 14 the address of the association. We moved to that
- 15 address in 1995 -- January of 1995, so this document
- 16 would have post-dated that, and I would -- I would
- imagine it would have been in the 1995 to 1997 time
- 18 frame.
- 19 O. Was it different -- a different version of the
- 20 EIA Legal Guides published at the time that you joined
- 21 EIA?
- 22 A. Not different in terms of substance. There
- were certainly some differences, including the fact
- that I wasn't identified as the general counsel.
- 25 MR. ROYALL: May I approach, Your Honor?

- 1 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- 2 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 3 O. Mr. Kelly, I've just handed you another exhibit
- 4 that's been marked for identification as CX-202. Do
- 5 you recognize this document?
- 6 A. Yes, sir, this is the version of the Legal
- 7 Guides in effect when I joined EIA in September 1990.
- Q. And was the prior exhibit, CX-204, the version
- 9 that superceded this version, CX-202?
- 10 A. Yes, I only remember this one revision which
- 11 has been identified as CX-0204 in that time frame. So,
- 12 there were just these two in that time frame, and this
- is the first that I'm looking at right now, CX-0202.
- 14 Q. And when CX-202 was superceded with the version
- of the EIA Legal Guides that's been marked as CX-204,
- to your knowledge, were any changes made to the
- 17 substance of the Legal Guides?
- 18 A. No, sir.
- 19 Q. To your knowledge, during the 13 or so years
- 20 that you've served as EIA general counsel, have any
- 21 substantive changes been made to the EIA Legal Guides?
- 22 A. No, sir. As the -- as we went through various
- reorganizations, particularly when the name of the

of the law committee, but no, no changes in terms of

- 2 the substance of the guides.
- 3 Q. Now, if I'm not mistaken, the EIA Legal Guides
- 4 are broken into several parts. Is that right?
- 5 A. They're divided into three parts, like Gaul.
- 6 O. And if I could just ask you for purposes of
- 7 these questions, I guess we will just use this version
- 8 of the Legal Guides that you have in your hand, which
- 9 is CX-202.
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. Based on that document, could I ask you to
- 12 briefly explain to us the different parts of the Legal
- 13 Guides?
- 14 A. Yes, sir, Part I are general guides that apply
- across the board to all EIA activities. Part II of the
- guides, which begins on page 7 of CX-202 -- I'm sorry,
- 17 page 5, page 7 of the copy, but it's page 5 of the
- 18 exhibit, are special guides that relate to engineering
- 19 standardization programs uniquely. And then Part III,
- 20 which begins on page 8 of the exhibit, are special
- 21 guides that apply to marketing data reporting programs,
- which we now refer to as market research programs.
- Q. And the part, what you just described as Part
- 24 III of the EIA Legal Guides, does that part of the
- 25 Legal Guides have any application to the work of JEDEC?

- 1 A. No, sir, not specifically.
- Q. And has that been true throughout your tenure
- 3 with EIA?
- 4 A. Yes. And stated differently, JEDEC has never
- 5 engaged in market research activities, which is the
- 6 subject matter of Part III of the Legal Guides.
- 7 Q. What about Parts I and II of the Legal Guides,
- 8 do they have application to the work of JEDEC?
- 9 A. Absolutely, yes, sir.
- 10 Q. As used in this document, what does the term
- "guide" or "guides" mean, to your understanding?
- 12 A. It means a rule -- I'm sorry, I interrupted
- 13 you. I apologize.
- 14 Q. That's all right.
- 15 A. It means a rule.
- 16 Q. Are the provisions of the EIA Legal Guides
- 17 considered within EIA to be the rules of the
- 18 organization?
- 19 A. Yes, sir, they are.
- 20 Q. Are EIA participants required to comply with
- 21 the rules and policies set forth in the EIA Legal
- 22 Guides?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, they are.
- Q. Is that stated somewhere in the document, to
- 25 your knowledge?

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- 1 A. I believe it is in the preamble to Part I on
- 2 page 4 of CX-202.
- Q. And referring to the first paragraph under the
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- 1 Q. My next question, you may have just answered
- 2 it, but let me go ahead -- just to be clear go ahead
- 3 and ask it.
- 4 Are the EIA Legal Guides generally made
- 5 available to the EIA participants?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And was that true in the early to mid-1990s as
- 8 well?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. In that time period, the early to mid-1990s,
- 11 how would an EIA participant obtain a copy of the Legal
- 12 Guides?

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- 13 A. In the early to mid-1990s, they -- as I
- 14 indicated earlier, they could either contact my office
- 15 to receive copies. Frequently copies were given to
- 16 committee chairs so they could disseminate them at the
- 17 meetings. Staff members responsible for committee
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1 Q. Now, the language that you pointed out a moment

- 2 ago which was in the preamble of Part I of the Legal
- 3 Guides on page 4 of CX-202, turning to page 5 of
- 4 CX-202, and you'll see there Part II, the heading Part
- 5 II of the EIA Legal Guides. Was that portion of the
- 6 EIA Legal Guides, that is, the portion that relates to
- 7 special guides applicable to engineering
- 8 standardization programs, also required to be read and
- 9 complied with by EIA participants?
- 10 A. Yes, sir, and to me it's reasonably clear from
- 11 the preamble to that part as well that members are
- 12 required to follow these rules.
- 13 Q. Now, let me ask you to look back at the prior
- 14 page of CX-202, and focusing on the beginning of Part I
- of the Legal Guides, at the top of the left-hand side
- of the page, page 4 of Exhibit CX-202, do you see the
- 17 heading that refers to Section A, Improper Activities
- 18 and Programs?
- 19 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 20 Q. Can you explain what that section of the Legal
- 21 Guides relates to?
- 22 A. This section relates to activities which, as it
- 23 indicates here, are improper and not permitted at EIA
- 24 activities or in EIA programs, and basically it is a
- 25 Hornbook or statement of some basic antitrust

- 1 principles that apply to trade association activities
- 2 in general, but specifically here brought down to
- 3 ground level in terms of EIA activities.
- 4 Q. Would it be a violation of EIA's rules for a
- 5 member to exchange or discuss information of the sort

- 1 information?
- 2 A. To prevent collusion among the members in those
- 3 areas that are enumerated in subsection 5.
- 4 Q. Let's turn back, if we could -- if you could
- 5 turn with me to the next page, page 5 of Exhibit
- 6 CX-202, and this is the beginning of Part II of the
- 7 Legal Guides.
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Now, I think as you explained earlier, this
- 10 section of the Legal Guides relates specifically to
- 11 standardization activities conducted within EIA. Is
- 12 that right?
- 13 A. Correct.
- Q. And in the middle of that page, the first page
- of Part II of the Legal Guides, could you see the
- 16 heading Section B, Statement of Policy?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 Q. Can you explain what that section of the Legal
- 19 Guides concerns?
- 20 A. The first part talks about the purpose of the
- 21 EIA standards, and I indicated this earlier, was to
- 22 serve the public interest in the ways that
- 23 standardization typically does, by eliminating
- 24 misunderstandings and facilitating interchangeability
- of products.

- 1 And also, I didn't mention before, but this is
- 2 an important purpose, assisting purchasers in selecting
- and obtaining, with minimal delay, the proper product
- 4 for their particular needs.
- 5 And it goes on to state that the standards do
- 6 not preclude a member from manufacturing or selling
- 7 products not conforming to the standards, which is a
- 8 little bit different statement of the voluntariness
- 9 principle that I talked about earlier.
- 10 And then the last part is in essence a
- 11 disclaimer saying that EIA does not conduct patent
- 12 searches, and therefore, can't assume any liability if

1 Part II, Section B. I was referring to the second

- 2 paragraph within the indented and blocked text.
- 3 Q. Beginning with the word "Standards"?
- 4 A. Beginning with the word "Standards are
- 5 proposed, " and ending with the words "adopting EIA
- 6 standards."
- 7 Q. And what did you mean when you said that, if I
- 8 understood you correctly, that that language is meant
- 9 to state a disclaimer of some sort?
- 10 A. Well, let me break it down. The first sentence
- 11 says, "Standards are proposed or adopted by EIA without
- 12 regard to whether their proposal or adoption may in any
- 13 way involve patents on articles, materials or
- 14 processes." Then it goes on to say, "By such action,
- 15 EIA does not assume any liability to the pending patent
- owner or to the users of standards."
- Q. And that's the language that you were referring
- 18 to when you mentioned the word "disclaimer"?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Can you explain why it is that in your
- 21 understanding EIA states a disclaimer of this sort in
- 22 connection with its standards?
- A. As I just said, because we're now in a position
- 24 to conduct patent searches to determine as a matter of
- 25 fact whether any patents are involved in the standards

1 work that we perform. We rely on the participants in

- 2 the process to surface patent issues to our attention,
- 3 and when those are surfaced, then we identify them in
- 4 the standard, but if we don't know, we're not in a
- 5 position to go out and find out either through the U.S.
- 6 PTO or otherwise what intellectual property may be
- 7 there.
- 8 And that's because -- if you want to know why
- 9 that is, that's because we're dealing with, you know,
- 10 an enormous industry with a lot of intellectual
- 11 property and a lot of changes going on very rapidly,
- and it would be physically impossible for us to perform
- patent searches, and it would be prohibitively
- 14 expensive for us to try. And I might also add that the
- 15 results would in many cases, based upon my own
- 16 experience, be inconclusive even when you go down that
- 17 path.
- 18 O. Is the language that you pointed out in the
- 19 policy statement of Part II of the EIA Legal Guides, is
- 20 that language meant to convey that EIA and its member
- 21 companies are indifferent as to whether EIA's standards
- 22 may be covered by patented intellectual property?
- 23 A. No, sir.
- Q. Does EIA in any way seek to determine in
- 25 advance whether the standards that it creates are or

- 1 may be covered by patents?
- 2 A. Yes, sir, we do, through our patent policy.
- 3 Q. Can you elaborate on that?
- 4 A. One of the rules of EIA, which is in another
- 5 document, is the patent policy, and it basically
- 6 requires an early disclosure of intellectual property;
- 7 that is, patents or patent applications that are or may
- 8 be related to the work of a standard-setting committee.
- 9 And then once the disclosure -- the early
- 10 disclosure is made, if the patent owner is willing to
- 11 give reasonable assurances that I alluded to earlier,
- 12 that is, reasonable and nondiscriminatory licensing
- 13 terms or without charge, then the standard-setting
- 14 committee can -- then the standards activity can move
- forward, and EIA can, if technical merit justifies
- 16 that, adopt a standard that includes IP subject to the
- 17 licensing restrictions. That by definition is an open
- 18 standard, which brings us full circle.
- Q. Now, the first of the two sentences that you
- 20 focused us on a moment ago, starting at the bottom of
- 21 page 5 of CX-202, read -- reads as follows:
- "Standards are proposed or adopted by EIA
- 23 without regard to whether their proposal or adoption
- 24 may in any way involve patents on articles, materials,
- or processes."

- 1 Do you see that?
- 2 A. I do.
- 3 O. In your view, is there any inconsistency
- 4 between that language in EIA's Legal Guides and the
- 5 commitment to open standards that you discussed
- 6 earlier?
- 7 A. No, sir, I think they're consistent.
- 8 Q. Can you elaborate on how you reconcile those
- 9 two provisions or two concepts?
- 10 A. Well, I think in part I just did, but let me
- 11 see if I can take it a little further to try to respond
- 12 to your question.
- 13 EIA obviously would prefer not to include a lot
- of patented technology in standards. It's not our
- preference, but frequently the best technological
- approach to a particular issue is patented technology.
- When that's the case, and that's what I meant before by
- 18 technological merit, when the best approach to a
- 19 technological problem is patented technology, then we,
- 20 of course, will adopt the patented technology as part
- 21 of the standard, provided that we receive the
- 22 assurances -- provided we have disclosure -- let me
- 23 start again -- provided there is disclosure of the
- 24 existence of the IP early in the process and provided
- 25 that we obtain the licensing assurances. That's really

- 1 what this language is directed to.
- Q. Now, focusing on page 6 of CX-202, do you see
- 3 in the -- on the top right side the heading Section C,
- 4 Basic Rules for Conducting Programs?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. Can you explain to us what that section of the
- 7 EIA Legal Guides concerns?
- 8 A. These are fundamental rules that really
- 9 permeate the entire standard-setting process from
- beginning to end, and they're kind of the ground work
- 11 for standard-setting within EIA and all of its sectors.
- 12 Q. Is compliance with these so-called basic rules
- mandatory or optional for EIA participants?
- 14 A. There is no question in my mind that these are
- 15 mandatory.
- Q. Let me ask you a few questions about the -- the
- 17 specific rules that come under that same heading,
- 18 starting with the first basic rule. Could I ask you to
- 19 read that?
- 20 A. Yeah, this is subsection 1 of Section C:
- 21 "They shall be carried on in good faith under
- 22 policies and procedures which will assure fairness and
- 23 unrestricted participation."
- Q. Can you explain what you understand that
- language to mean?

1 A. Well, as it says, that activities need to be

- 2 conducted by the participants acting in good faith, and
- 3 the procedures that EIA follows, which are
- 4 corresponding to members as well, are designed to
- 5 assure fairness and unrestricted participation.
- 6 Stating it a little bit differently, this
- 7 provision is required -- this provision is designed to
- 8 prevent companies from acting in bad faith in
- 9 connection with standard-setting activities.
- 10 Q. Do you --
- 11 A. So, just the converse of what it says, that's
- 12 the prohibition. This is taking the high road and
- saying this is the goal, is to get everyone to
- 14 participate in good faith, and that's the rule. What
- we're trying to prohibit is bad faith conduct.
- Q. And do you have an understanding as to why
- 17 EIA's written rules seek to prohibit bad faith conduct
- 18 by participants in standard-setting activities?
- 19 A. Because bad faith undermines the entire
- 20 process. Again, looking at this from a high road
- 21 vantage point, what we're saying here is companies need
- to participate in the process openly and honestly and
- 23 fairly and in good faith and not in bad faith, because
- 24 bad faith undermines the confidence of everyone in the
- 25 process. It can yield standards that are subject -- in

- which the bad faith affects the outcome of the process,
- 2 and the standard is not open, and if the standard is
- 3 not open, then it can -- it can impact the entire
- 4 supply chain and the consumer and the public good.
- 5 So, I think that this is, as I said, this is
- fundamental, and the absence of good faith in the
- 7 process undermines the entire process and the end
- 8 product of that process.
- 9 Q. Let me ask you to focus on a paragraph further
- down on the same page, that is, page 6 of CX-202, and
- 11 I'm referring to the paragraph starting with the number
- 12 5.
- Do you see that?
- 14 A. I do.
- Q. Can I ask you to read that paragraph?
- 16 A. Number 5, "They shall not be proposed for or
- indirectly result in effectuation of a price fixing
- 18 arrangement, facilitating price uniformity or
- 19 stabilization, restricting competition, giving a
- 20 competitive advantage to any manufacturer, excluding
- 21 competitors from the market, limiting or otherwise
- 22 curtailing production, or reducing product variations
- 23 except where required to meet one or more of the
- 24 objectives set forth in Section D of this Part II;"
- 25 Q. Thank you.

- 1 advantage over any other groups of companies, or to
- 2 engage in price fixing or to engage in any of the other
- 3 enumerated conduct in Subsection 5. That is not why
- 4 we're in business; that's not what we do.
- 5 Q. To the extent that your standards or your
- 6 standards-related activities were to result in an
- 7 anti-competitive effect in some marketplace, is that
- 8 really the concern of EIA directly as opposed to
- 9 whatever private parties may be affected by -- by that?
- 10 A. Both, both. It's EIA's concern because we are
- 11 a voluntary organization created by the industry to
- 12 serve the industry and to serve the consuming public,
- and if we are producing standards that are tainted by,

- 1 basic rules set forth here in the EIA Legal Guides,
- 2 basic rule number 1, if you will, and what I'll call
- 3 basic rule number 5.

1 Q. If you could. If you could describe an example

- 2 in which this has actually arisen; that is, the conduct
- 3 within an EIA standard-setting activity has resulted in
- 4 either a violation of these two basic rules or an
- 5 allegation of such a violation.
- 6 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, if I could, I'm
- 7 sensitized to privilege and waiver issues. He's
- 8 general counsel. I just want to make sure we're not
- 9 asking him to describe either his work product or
- 10 his -- or advice he's given as general counsel. I
- 11 wouldn't want to blunder into a waiver on behalf of
- 12 JEDEC today.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Royall?
- MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, I'm not asking that.
- 15 I think we have to leave it to Mr. Kelly, who is a
- 16 lawyer --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, just as long as he's
- 18 clear on this issue then. All right.
- MR. ROYALL: And -- yes --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Mr. Kelly, you
- 21 understand the objection and you're clear you're not
- 22 violating -- all right.
- 23 THE WITNESS: I understand, and as my judges
- tell me, I will not comment on anything not on the
- 25 public record.

- One example would be a situation in which there
- 2 was an allegation -- and this relates certainly to
- 3 everything we're talking about but also the patent
- 4 policy -- in which there was an allegation that a
- 5 company had IP relevant to a standard under development
- 6 and that that company retained a third party, a
- 7 consultant, to attend EIA standard-setting meetings
- 8 related to -- in which there was a relationship between
- 9 that IP and the standard, not disclosing to the
- 10 consultant the existence of the relevant IP.
- 11 Therefore, the consultant never disclosed the
- 12 IP, the standard was promulgated, and the company
- 13 claimed that it had patent rights that affected in this
- 14 case every television set sold in the United States.

1 arguably but not clearly violates our patent policy

- 2 under the current state of the law, but even though
- 3 it's not -- it is not certain that the patent policy
- 4 was violated, there is no question it calls into
- 5 guestion -- there is no doubt that it calls into
- 6 question the conduct of the company with respect to the
- 7 good faith obligation here in the Legal Guides, as well
- 8 as to the enumerated violations in subsection 5.
- 9 Q. If you can just elaborate so we understand what
- 10 you're referring to when you say that the conduct that
- 11 you described arguably violates or may not violate the
- 12 EIA patent policy.
- 13 A. Well, to -- the -- in essence, the
- 14 allegation -- the concern in that particular case was
- that the company that had relevant IP was trying to do
- an end run around the patent policy through a bad faith
- 17 activity; that is, retaining a consultant, deliberately
- 18 leaving that consultant ignorant of their patent
- 19 portfolio, and then gaining a benefit of information
- 20 that would ordinarily flow from participation in the
- 21 committee through the consultant, and then using that
- 22 information to enhance their -- the market power that
- they had or to at least take advantage of the market
- 24 power that they had by virtue of their patent.
- 25 O. And in this same episode that you've described,

1 was there any concern within EIA that that conduct or

- 2 alleged conduct might violate the other provision of
- 3 the basic rules that we focused on, provision number 5?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And can you explain why that -- there was that
- 6 concern relating to this conduct?
- 7 A. Because in that particular case, the company
- 8 involved, as I think I indicated earlier, was claiming
- 9 patent royalties that related to every television set
- 10 sold in the United States, and that number is in the
- tens of millions of sets. So, yeah, it's a big
- 12 concern.
- 13 And it impacts consumers directly or it affects
- 14 the -- impacts the manufacturers of the sets, because
- one way or the other, the cost is either going to get
- 16 passed on or absorbed into the margin of the set
- 17 manufacturer. So, it's a big concern.
- 18 Q. Now, just to be clear about this, does the EIA
- 19 patent policy expressly forbid the use of consultants
- 20 in the way in which allegedly that occurred in this
- 21 case?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. Does that mean that this activity is therefore
- 24 permissible --
- 25 A. Absolutely --

- 1 O. -- within EIA?
- 2 A. I'm sorry. Absolutely not.
- 3 O. Now, what -- if you can say, what became of
- 4 this particular issue? How was it dealt with either
- 5 within EIA or external to EIA?
- 6 A. It is now pending in the federal courts.
- 7 Q. To the extent that the type of conduct that
- 8 you've described in this particular instance is not
- 9 expressly forbidden by EIA's patent policy, have you as
- 10 EIA's general counsel considered modifying the patent
- 11 policy to include an express prohibition of that
- 12 conduct?
- 13 A. No, sir.
- 14 Q. Is there a reason why you haven't done that?
- 15 A. Primarily because the matter is, as I said,
- 16 pending in the federal courts, and my view is that it's
- 17 the role of the courts to decide what the facts and
- 18 what the law are, and that process is being followed
- 19 right now. So, we're not going to do anything in terms
- of our rules that would jeopardize either side's
- 21 position in pending litigation.
- Q. You've given that example. Can you think of
- any other specific examples in which the activities or
- 24 the conduct of an EIA participant has either violated
- 25 or allegedly violated one of these two provisions of

1 Q. And was there concern within EIA that that type

- of line-drawing conduct, if that's a fair description
- 3 of what you're talking about, might violate basic rule
- 4 number 1, the good faith duty we discussed?
- 5 A. Yes, of course.
- Q. And in what way might that type of conduct
- 7 violate the duty of good faith?
- 8 A. Well, you know, ostensibly it's a question of
- 9 line-drawing whenever you modify a definition, and
- 10 we -- it's very difficult to know what the competitive
- 11 motivations of companies are. If the company is
- 12 acting -- if a company or a group of companies were
- acting in bad faith, clearly they violate the duty to
- 14 act in good faith under the Legal Guides. So, that in
- 15 and of itself is a concern.
- And then beyond that, there's the concern that
- 17 depending upon where the lines are drawn, there could
- 18 be an impact on competition, which would then go to
- 19 subsection 5.
- Q. And in this particular case, was there any
- 21 concern that the same conduct might also violate basic
- rule number 5 that we discussed earlier?
- 23 A. Yes, as I just said, that the -- that the good
- faith/bad faith aspect of it would go to subsection 1,
- 25 and then the competitive harm aspect where -- or a

1 company allegedly misusing the process to gain a

- 2 competitive advantage would go to subsection 5.
- Now, again, if I could say on that particular
- 4 case, these are just allegations --
- Q. Yes.
- 6 A. -- and, you know, it's not in litigation and
- 7 I'm not drawing conclusions. I'm just saying this is
- 8 the nature of the allegation, okay?
- 9 Q. Now, the two examples that you have given, and
- 10 we obviously understand the caveat that you're making
- 11 to your testimony, but the two examples you've given
- 12 are examples in which there was at least some concern
- of possibly violating both provisions 1 and 5 that are
- 14 still displayed here on the screen.
- 15 Are there any examples that you can think of of
- 16 conduct that occurred within EIA that was raised to
- 17 your attention in which there was an allegation that an
- 18 EIA participant may have violated the good faith duty
- 19 but not also the basic rule number 5?
- 20 A. Yeah, not long after I started at EIA, probably
- 21 within the first year, I was involved in actually a
- joint standard-setting activity. EIA is partnered with
- 23 the National Association of Broadcasters in something
- 24 called the National Radio Systems Committee, the NRSC,
- 25 and I was asked to attend an NRSC meeting in which the

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Do you recognize this document?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 4 Q. And what is it?
- 5 A. This is a xeroxed copy of the front and back of
- 6 what would have been a single sheet sign-in sheet that
- 7 was used I think approximately during the mid-1990s at
- 8 JEDEC, EDIF, EIDX and CDIF meetings.
- 9 Q. And the other acronyms other than JEDEC that
- 10 you referred to, are those other EIA-affiliated
- 11 entities or organizations?
- 12 A. They -- actually, they were at the time. They
- 13 were all under the -- if you remember the org chart,
- 14 all under the Components Group and/or the Industrial
- 15 Electronics Group at that time.
- 16 Q. And I'm not sure whether you made this clear in
- 17 your answer, but do you know in what time frame this
- 18 version of the meeting attendance roster or sign-in
- 19 sheet was in use?
- 20 A. I said mid-1990s. I would -- I think I can peg
- 21 that to probably 19 -- around 1995 to 1998, in that
- 22 time frame.
- 23 Q. And you --
- A. 1997, because our logo changed in 1997, so it
- would have been between '95 and '97.

1 Q. And do you know whether in that time frame this

- version of the sign-in sheet was used within JEDEC
- 3 committees?
- 4 A. I know it was used. I don't know if it was
- 5 used in all, but I know it was used.
- 6 O. Do you recall earlier when I asked you whether
- 7 EIA participants were told in the early to mid-1990s
- 8 that they had an obligation to read and comply with the
- 9 EIA Legal Guides?
- 10 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 11 Q. Do you see anything in the language of this
- 12 sign-in sheet that relates to that?
- 13 A. Yes, I do. It's beneath the committee and
- 14 meeting identification information in the first block
- of the grid, and it says in italics, "To all
- 16 participants, " in full quotes, "Subject -- subjects
- improper for consideration under the EIA 'Legal Guides'
- 18 shall not be discussed at this meeting or elsewhere.
- 19 See Part I, General Guides (reverse side). See Special
- 20 Guides in Parts II and III for engineering
- 21 standardization and marketing data programs,
- 22 respectively. Subjects involving patentable or
- 23 patented items shall conform to EIA Policy (reverse
- 24 side)."
- Q. Now, could I stop you there?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 O. I believe you mentioned when you first looked
- 3 at this document that what is marked as page 2 of
- 4 CX-306 was in the actual document, the meeting
- 5 attendance roster, the reverse side of the sign-in
- 6 sheet. Is that correct?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- Q. And so am I correct that what's reproduced on
- 9 page 2 of CX-306 or what would have been reproduced on
- 10 the actual reverse side of the actual document is the
- language from Part I of the EIA Legal Guides?
- 12 A. That is correct, yes, sir.
- Q. Do you have any understanding as to why the
- 14 language of Part II of the EIA Legal Guides was not
- 15 similarly reproduced on this sign-in sheet?
- 16 A. The only reason I can recall was space
- 17 limitations, because again, this subject did come up in
- 18 the context of my membership political -- not
- 19 political, in my membership process action team back in
- 20 the nineties, what information should be on the
- 21 reverse, and this was all we could fit.
- O. Do you recall when I asked you earlier who
- 23 generally has the last word in terms of interpreting
- 24 EIA rules?
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

1 Q. And I believe you said that you have the last

- 2 word?
- 3 A. I believe I do, yes, sir.
- 4 0. Is that correct?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. Do you see any language on the sign-in sheet
- 7 that relates to that issue?
- 8 A. I think the next sentence, "Consult the EIA
- 9 General Counsel about any doubtful question."
- 10 Q. And what do you understand that language to
- 11 mean?
- 12 A. I think -- I understand that language to mean
- that meeting attendees were advised that if they had
- 14 any doubt about the meaning of the Legal Guides or for
- 15 that matter any other rules relating to the conduct of
- the meeting, they should consult the EIA general
- 17 counsel, which at this time was me.
- 18 O. You mentioned earlier that EIA's rules relating
- 19 to standardization programs were also set forth in
- 20 certain I think you said EP or EIA engineering manuals.
- 21 Is that right?
- 22 A. Two EIA engineering manuals in addition to the
- 23 Legal Guides, EP-3 and EP-7.
- MR. ROYALL: May I approach, Your Honor?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 2 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Mr. Kelly, I've just handed you an exhibit
- 4 that's been marked for identification as CX-203A.
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Do you recognize this document?
- 7 A. I do.
- 8 Q. Can you explain what it is?
- 9 A. This is the document I just referred to earlier
- 10 as EP-3, and in this case it's-F, which means the
- 11 revision letter -- indicates the revision, is dated
- 12 October 1981. EP stands for Engineering Publication,
- by the way. The title is Manual for Committee,
- 14 Subcommittee, and Working Group Chairmen and
- 15 Secretaries, and it is published, as indicated on the
- 16 first page, by the Engineering Department of the
- 17 Electronic Industries Association. At the time it was
- 18 Association.
- 19 O. And how was this document referred to
- 20 internally within EIA?
- 21 A. We referred to it as EP-3.
- Q. Was this the version of the EP-3 manual that
- 23 was in effect when you joined EIA in September 1990?
- 24 A. This is, and I -- this is the only version of
- 25 the manual I'm familiar with. I don't think it ever

- 1 term to mean?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.
- 3 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Do you have any understanding, Mr. Kelly, as to
- 5 whether this manual was in the early to mid-1990s
- 6 generally made available to EIA participants?
- 7 MR. PERRY: Well, that's the same question.
- 8 have the same objection.
- 9 JUDGE McGUIRE: He said do you have an
- 10 understanding as to what that term means, so on that
- 11 grounds, I'll allow it.
- MR. ROYALL: And then I can ask him to explain
- 13 his understanding and the basis for it.
- 14 MR. PERRY: That's fine, Your Honor, if that's
- 15 the way it's going to go. I'm sorry.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Right, that's my understanding
- of the current question, is to ask him his
- 18 understanding of the term.
- 19 MR. ROYALL: Well, first I wanted to establish
- 20 whether he has an understanding as to whether it was
- 21 made available.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Right, lay that foundation.
- BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. So, do you have an understanding, sir, as to
- whether this was generally made available in the early

- 1 to mid-1990s to EIA participants?
- 2 A. I do.
- 3 O. Can you explain what understanding you have,
- 4 and to the extent you have an understanding of the term
- 5 "generally made available," what do you understand that
- 6 term to mean?
- 7 A. I will. First of all, this document was
- 8 routinely made available to committee chairmen,
- 9 subcommittee chairmen, working group chairmen and
- 10 secretaries, as the title would suggest. It was made
- 11 available through the EIA Engineering Department when
- 12 they assumed those responsibilities, at that time.
- 13 Secondly, it was included in the list of
- 14 publications in the EIA Publications Index, and
- 15 therefore -- which was distributed to all of the
- 16 membership and therefore was available to the
- 17 membership on request. It was also available on
- 18 request through the EIA Engineering Department for
- 19 anyone who requested it. That's what I meant.
- 20 Q. And if I could ask you to turn to page 4 of
- 21 CX-203A.
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Do you see at the top of that page heading 1.0,
- 24 Responsibilities of Chairmen?
- 25 A. I do.

- 1 Q. And if I could focus your attention on
- 2 paragraph 1.2 under that heading, do you see that?
- 3 A. I do.
- 4 Q. Could I ask you to read the first sentence of
- 5 that paragraph?

1 Q. Can you explain what this appendix is or what

- 2 it relates to?
- 3 A. This appendix is a reproduction of Sections 1
- 4 and 2 -- Parts I and II, I'm sorry, of the EIA Legal
- 5 Guides that we were discussing earlier.
- 6 O. And are those parts of the EIA Legal Guides
- 7 that relate to standard-setting activities?
- 8 A. Part I is the general guide. Part II is the
- 9 guide that specifically relates to standard-setting,
- 10 yes.
- 11 Q. As you read this manual or as you understand
- 12 what this manual requires, does it require EIA
- committee chairs to conduct standardization programs in
- 14 compliance with Parts I and II of the EIA Legal Guides?
- 15 A. Very definitely, yes.
- 16 Q. Is that stated somewhere in the document, to
- 17 your knowledge?
- 18 A. I think it was in the section that we just
- 19 discussed, the responsibilities of committee chairmen
- 20 to conduct their -- their committee activities as
- 21 prescribed in the following sections of the manual,
- including the appendices, and Appendices 1 through 5,
- which is the reproduction of the Legal Guides, includes
- 24 the same language that we talked about earlier, which
- 25 is mandatory -- which are mandatory in their terms as

- 1 well.
- Q. And the language you were just referring to was
- 3 from paragraph 1.2 at the top of page 4 of CX-203A. Is
- 4 that right?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 Q. Does that language mean that the Legal Guides
- 7 are only binding upon EIA committee chairs as opposed
- 8 to EIA participants?
- 9 A. No. That does not mean that at all.
- 10 Q. Do you have an understanding as to whether the
- 11 EIA Legal Guides are binding upon EIA participants as
- 12 well?
- 13 A. Yes, they're -- it is binding on everyone who
- 14 participates in the process, from the committee chair
- right down to the staff member who's responsible for
- supporting the committee, and I believe that the
- 17 language of the Legal Guides makes that abundantly
- 18 clear, and I think it's also clear, at least in my
- 19 interpretation from the language of Section 2. --
- 20 sorry, 1.2, because it would be impossible for the
- 21 committee chair to conduct committee activities
- 22 consistent with the Legal Guides if the members were
- 23 violating the Legal Guides.
- Q. Let me ask you to turn to page 11 of CX-203A,
- 25 and this is the page that at the top of the page has a

- 1 heading 8.0. It's --
- 2 A. We're on the same page, yes.

1 program of standardization shall refer to a product --"

- 2 O. Let me --
- 3 A. I'm sorry, first sentence.
- Q. -- if I could stop you there, just the first
- 5 sentence.
- 6 A. Okay.
- 7 Q. What do you understand the language of that
- 8 first sentence of this provision to mean?
- 9 A. That EIA --
- 10 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, can I just make clear
- 11 that we're not asking this gentleman to give us legal
- opinions, that we're just asking for his understanding
- as he's interpreted this in the course -- I don't think
- 14 he wrote it, and I don't think he's here as a legal
- 15 expert. Is that -- is that --
- 16 JUDGE McGUIRE: Is that the import of your line
- 17 of inquiry, Mr. Royall?
- 18 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, just to be clear,
- 19 we're not asking for a legal expert opinion. On the
- 20 other hand, we've established a foundation that for 13
- 21 years he has had the final say within -- internally
- 22 within EIA as to how these rules are interpreted and
- 23 applied. So, it's in that context that I'm asking for
- 24 his understanding of the rules.
- 25 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, then I'm going to

- 1 allow that in that context, Mr. Perry.
- 2 MR. PERRY: That's fine, Your Honor. I don't
- 3 think there's been a foundation for everybody's
- 4 understanding within EIA. I disagree with Mr. Royall
- 5 on that.
- 6 JUDGE McGUIRE: I understand that, and to that
- 7 extent your objection or your asking for clarification
- 8 is understood, and we'll go on that basis.
- 9 MR. ROYALL: Yes.
- 10 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 11 Q. Would you like me to restate the question?
- 12 A. No, I think I understand it.
- What this first sentence is saying is that
- 14 EIA's preference, its first preference, is not to
- include patented technology in standards.
- 16 Q. Is it the policy of EIA, as you understand it
- 17 and interpret it, to avoid developing standards that
- 18 call for the use of patented items?
- 19 A. No. If I understand your question, are you
- 20 telling me do we as a matter of policy avoid including
- 21 standards -- as a matter of preference, not as a matter
- of policy. Do you want me to explain?
- Q. Yes, if you could.
- A. Okay. We do not seek patented technology for
- 25 inclusion in standards. As I said before, there are

- 1 times when patented technology may represent the best
- 2 technological solution, and in that case,
- 3 notwithstanding our preference not to include patents
- 4 or patent applications, as the case may be, in
- 5 standards, we will consider the inclusion of that
- 6 technology, provided there's early disclosure and
- 7 provided there are written assurances along the lines I
- 8 described before, either without charge or reasonable
- 9 and nondiscriminatory.
- 10 Q. And what you've just described as the policy at
- 11 EIA relating to that issue, was that, to your
- 12 understanding, the policy of the organization in the
- 13 early to mid-1990s?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 Q. Could I ask you now to go to the second
- sentence under heading 8.3?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 O. And could I ask you to read that?
- 19 A. "No program of standardization shall refer to a
- 20 product on which there is a known patent unless all the
- 21 technical information covered by the patent is known to
- 22 the Formulating committee, subcommittee or working
- 23 group."
- Q. And could you explain what you as EIA's general
- 25 counsel understand that language to mean?

1 A. What it means is that standards activities

- 2 shall not refer to items on which there is a known
- 3 patent or patent application unless -- it says "all"
- 4 here, and I can elaborate on this -- unless all
- 5 relevant technical information relating to the patent
- is known to the formulating committee. That's what it
- 7 says.
- Now, what that means, if I can just go one step
- 9 further --
- 10 O. Please.
- 11 A. -- is that the participants in the process need
- 12 to facilitate this -- this -- or to make this -- this
- 13 happen. They need to be disclosing on an early basis
- 14 known patents and patent applications that relate to
- 15 the work of the committee.
- Q. And what do you mean specifically by the term
- 17 "known patent"?
- 18 A. It means known to the participant in the
- 19 committee activity. It does not mean known to the
- 20 company. Stated differently, the company is not under
- 21 an obligation to perform a patent search, but anything
- 22 that is known to the participant needs to -- that is
- 23 relevant to the work of the committee in terms of
- 24 patents or patent applications must be disclosed.
- 25 Q. And you said a moment ago that you might want

1 to elaborate on the language in the sentence that you

- 2 read, "all the technical information covered by the
- 3 patent."
- 4 A. Yeah, it's --
- 5 Q. Can you elaborate on what that means?
- 6 A. I'm sorry. It is stated more broadly than we
- 7 have ever applied it. This is a very broad statement,
- 8 and what we have said -- what I have said in many prior
- 9 cases, in fact, I think going back almost to day one,
- is that as long as enough relevant -- as long as enough
- information is provided to the committee that it
- 12 understands the nature of the technology and how it
- 13 applies to the standard, that's enough. It doesn't
- 14 have to be all technical information, just all relevant
- 15 technical information.
- 16 Q. And is it the policy of EIA that standards
- 17 developed by the organization may not incorporate known
- 18 patented technologies unless that sort of technical
- information has been provided to the relevant
- 20 committee?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, that is absolutely correct.
- Q. And was that also the policy of EIA in the
- 23 early to mid-1990s?
- A. Yes, sir, it was, right from day one when I
- 25 started as general counsel, that's been my -- I can't

1 say from day one it's been my understanding, but

- 2 certainly from the first month it's been my
- 3 understanding.
- 4 Q. In instances in which EIA or an EIA committee
- 5 has received that type of technical information
- 6 relating to a known patent, is the committee then free
- 7 to develop a standard incorporating the patented
- 8 technology?
- 9 A. I'm sorry, could you repeat the question? I'm
- 10 not sure I was following that.
- 11 Q. That's fine. I'll be happy to restate it.
- 12 In instances in which an EIA committee has
- 13 received the technical information of the sort that you
- 14 described relating to a known patent, is the committee
- then free to develop a standard incorporating the
- 16 patented technology?
- 17 A. No, because there's one important part of the
- 18 patent policy which in that example has not yet been
- 19 met, and that is the written assurance to license the
- 20 technology on reasonable and nondiscriminatory terms or
- 21 without charge. So, you need both.
- Q. Let me ask you, if I could, could you read the
- third sentence now in the same paragraph we've been
- focusing on under heading 8.3, page 11 of CX-203A?
- 25 A. The next sentence reads, "The committee

1 chairman must have also received a written expression

- 2 from the patent holder that he is willing to license
- 3 applicants under reasonable terms and conditions that
- 4 are demonstrably free of any unfair discrimination."
- 5 Q. And when you said that there's another part of
- 6 the policy that must be satisfied before a known
- 7 patented technology can be incorporated, is this
- 8 generally what you were referring to, the substance of
- 9 what's contained in the sentence you just read?
- 10 A. Generally, although the language talking about
- 11 without charge, which is the alternative to the RAND
- 12 assurances, is not in this section. It's elsewhere.
- 13 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sir, let me inquire of you to
- 14 define from your understanding what the term "free of
- 15 any unfair discrimination" means.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir, free -- first of all,
- 17 free of unfair discrimination means open to all comers.
- 18 It means that anyone who wishes to license the
- 19 technology, regardless of the identity of the company
- 20 or its history or its demography -- demographics, I'm
- 21 sorry, its country of origin, is the beneficiary of
- that assurance, that there will be no discrimination
- among licensees in any way.
- 25 BY MR. ROYALL:

Q. Is it EIA's policy that standards developed by

- 2 the organization may not incorporate a known patented
- 3 technology in circumstances in which that type of
- 4 assurance has not been provided in advance?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. And was that also EIA's policy in the early to
- 7 mid-1990s?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Am I correct that the type of assurances that
- 10 are referred to in that third sentence under heading
- 11 8.3 that you read a moment ago are sometimes referred
- 12 to as RAND, R-A-N-D, assurances?
- 13 A. Yes, sir, that's the way I believe I was
- referring to them in my earlier testimony as well.
- Q. Are there any other types of licensing
- 16 assurances besides RAND assurances that would be
- 17 sufficient to comply with this aspect of EIA's rules?
- 18 A. Yes, sir, as I've -- as I think I've just
- mentioned earlier, if a company were to agree to
- 20 license without charge on a nondiscriminatory basis,
- 21 that would be -- that would also comply with the patent
- 22 policy.
- Q. And is that aspect of the policy discussed in
- 24 this provision in the EP-3 manual?
- 25 A. Not -- let me just see. No, not in this

- 1 section, no.
- 3 in other EIA engineering manuals?
- 4 A. I believe that comes out pretty clearly in
- 5 EP-7, which is the other manual I referred to.
- 6 MR. ROYALL: Before we move to another
- 7 document, Your Honor, I'd like to offer the EP-3 manual
- 8 that we've been discussing, CX-203A, into evidence.
- 9 MR. PERRY: No objection.
- 10 JUDGE McGUIRE: So entered.
- 11 (CX Exhibit Number 203A was admitted into
- 12 evidence.)
- 13 JUDGE McGUIRE: Before we continue, let me
- inquire of you, Mr. Royall, what -- it's 12:30, just
- 15 get an idea how you intend to proceed at this point.
- MR. ROYALL: This is a good breaking point.
- 17 I'd be happy to break for lunch if that made sense now.
- 18 As I indicated to Mr. Perry in an email a few days ago,
- 19 I expect that the direct examination of Mr. Kelly will
- 20 consume most of the day today. So, if we break now --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Then he will be back tomorrow?
- MR. ROYALL: Yes, he's available all day
- 23 tomorrow.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, let's take -- Mr. Perry,
- 25 go ahead.

- 1 MR. PERRY: I just want to assure everyone that
- 2 as long as we start tomorrow morning with the cross, we
- 3 can certainly finish with Mr. Kelly, at least that's --
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: That's certainly going to be
- 5 the idea here. I mean, is that everyone's
- 6 understanding, that we will conclude on Thursday?
- 7 MR. ROYALL: Yes, I will definitely be able to
- 8 conclude today, and so if I understand, Mr. Perry, that
- 9 means that we will be able to have Mr. Kelly's
- 10 testimony finish up tomorrow?
- MR. PERRY: Yes, that's fine. He's also on our
- 12 witness list, lives locally. We may well call him in
- 13 our case.
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- 2 (1:45 p.m.)
- 3 JUDGE McGUIRE: This hearing is now in order.
- 4 Any other topics we need to take up before we
- 5 proceed with your inquiry, Mr. Royall?
- 6 MR. ROYALL: I don't believe so.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, then you may proceed at
- 8 this time with the witness.
- 9 MR. ROYALL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 10 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 11 Q. Mr. Kelly, during the break I took the liberty
- of handing another exhibit up to your table and to
- respondent's counsel. It's marked JX-54. Do you have
- 14 that?
- 15 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- Q. And do you recognize this document?
- 17 A. This is the manual that I referred to earlier
- 18 as EP-7, and in this case it's Version A, so EP-7-A.
- 19 O. Is this the version of the EP-7 manual that was
- in effect when you joined EIA in 1990?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, and in fact, it was published a month
- 22 before I arrived. August of 1990 is the date on the
- 23 cover.
- Q. How would you describe the purpose of the EP-7
- 25 manual?

1 A. It is entitled Style Manual for Standards and

- 2 Publications of EIA, TIA and JEDEC, and it generally
- 3 sets forth the policies and procedures that relate to
- 4 the publication -- the formatting and publication of
- 5 EIA standards and technical publications as well as TIA
- 6 and JEDEC standards and publications at that time.
- 7 Q. Do you recall that earlier, with reference to
- 8 the EP-3 manual, I asked you if during your tenure as
- 9 EIA general counsel that document was made generally
- 10 available to EIA members?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 O. Was this manual, the EP-7 manual, also made
- generally available to EIA members in the way that
- 14 you've described?
- 15 A. In exactly the same way that I described with
- 16 respect to EP-3, yes, sir.
- 17 Q. Now, when we were discussing the EP-3 manual
- 18 earlier, you noted I believe that there was a
- 19 cross-reference in Section 3.4 of the EP-3 manual to --
- 20 I'm sorry, it was Section 8.3 of the EP-3 manual that
- 21 cross-referenced Section 3.4 of the EP-7 manual.
- Do you recall that?
- 23 A. Actually, I don't recall reading that far into
- 8.3, but you are correct, it is the last sentence in
- 25 the first paragraph and also referred to again in the

1 parenthetical at the end of Section 8.3.

1 says, "a license shall be made available without charge

- 2 to applicants desiring to utilize the patent for the
- 3 purpose of implementing the standard."
- 4 Q. Whether the assurance is a RAND assurance or an
- 5 assurance of royalty-free licensing, under EIA's rules,
- 6 do licensing assurances of this sort have to be in
- 7 writing?
- 8 A. Yes, sir, they must be in writing.
- 9 Q. And why is that?
- 10 A. That's indicated in the language just preceding
- 11 the subparagraphs where it says that the committee
- 12 chairman has received a "written expression from patent
- 13 holder."
- 14 Q. And in this regard, why does EIA, to your
- understanding, require a written licensing assurance?
- 16 A. Quite simply because we want a binding
- 17 commitment from the company as opposed to an expression
- 18 of willingness from the participant who may or may not
- 19 be in a position to bind the company.
- Q. If an EIA participant were to stand up in an
- 21 EIA standard-setting meeting and express that his or
- 22 her company was willing to license its technology on
- reasonable and nondiscriminatory terms, would an oral
- 24 statement to that effect satisfy this portion of EIA's
- 25 rules?

1 A. No, sir, it wouldn't. We would require in

- 2 addition a written expression of the company's
- 3 willingness to license on either of these terms; that
- 4 is, either subsection 1 or subsection 2 of 3.4, signed
- 5 by a person in a position of authority to bind the
- 6 company.
- 7 Q. What if the oral assurance of the sort that I
- 8 described were then recorded in the written official
- 9 minutes of that JEDEC or other EIA meeting, would that
- 10 satisfy the licensing assurance aspect of the rules?
- 11 A. No, sir, the same answer. We would need a
- written expression on company letterhead signed by an
- 13 individual in a position of authority to bind the
- 14 company to lock them into this commitment, because this
- is essential to our moving forward to standardize.
- 16 Q. From the standpoint of complying with EIA's
- 17 policy, does the particular wording of the written
- 18 licensing assurance matter?
- 19 A. Yes, it does. The wording needs to be in the
- 20 words that you see in Section 3.4 with no substantial
- 21 modifications or additions.
- Q. Has an EIA participating company ever
- 23 submitted -- and when I say "ever," during your
- 24 experience as EIA's general counsel dating back to
- 25 1990 -- to your knowledge, in that time period, has an

- 1 EIA participant ever submitted a licensing assurance
- 2 letter that was deemed by EIA to be inadequate from the
- 3 standpoint of complying with this aspect of EIA's
- 4 rules?
- 5 A. Yes, sir. I wouldn't say it happens
- frequently, but it certainly happens with some
- 7 regularity.
- Q. And who within EIA determines whether licensing
- 9 assurance letters satisfy the organization's rules?
- 10 A. I do.
- 11 Q. And how long have you performed that
- 12 responsibility?
- 13 A. Since shortly after my arrival in 1990.
- Q. Under EIA's rules, is it also your
- 15 responsibility to determine whether the terms on which
- 16 a patent holder seeks to license its technology are, in
- fact, reasonable and nondiscriminatory?
- 18 A. No, sir, it is not.
- Q. Do you ever get involved in such matters?
- 20 A. No, I do not.
- 21 O. Is there a reason for that?
- 22 A. The reason is that it is up to the
- 23 marketplace -- that means a willing licensor and
- 24 licensee in the first instance -- to work out the
- 25 meaning of those terms in an arm's length negotiation,

- and if they can't agree on what's reasonable and
- 2 nondiscriminatory, then they always have access to
- 3 other means of dispute resolution, most notably the
- 4 courts, and a judge or a jury can work out the meaning
- of that language in a real context.
- 6 EIA, and I'm speaking now about me in
- 7 particular, we don't have the expertise to be able to
- 8 determine what's commercially reasonable in the context
- 9 of any industry, no less semiconductors, which is the
- 10 subject of today's hearing. That expertise resides in
- 11 the industry. So, that's why in the first instance we
- 12 leave it to the parties themselves to work out what's
- 13 reasonable.

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- 1 qualification.
- Q. Regardless of whether they may be or may not be
- 3 a member of JEDEC or EIA?
- 4 A. Absolutely.
- 5 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, I would like to offer
- 6 this document, JX-54, at this time.
- 7 MR. PERRY: No objection.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: So entered.
- 9 (JX Exhibit Number 54 was admitted into
- 10 evidence.)
- 11 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 12 O. Now, we've been discussing for a while now
- 13 after the lunch break and a bit prior to the lunch
- 14 break the provisions in EIA's rules that relate to the
- 15 subject of written licensing assurances. Is that
- 16 right?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 O. And if I'm not mistaken, you have stated that
- in the absence of such licensing assurances in writing,
- 20 EIA committees are forbidden to adopt a known patented
- 21 technology into an EIA standard. Is that correct?
- 22 A. That is correct.
- O. Is the same true within JEDEC as well?
- A. It is absolutely correct within JEDEC as well.
- 25 It is true.

1 Q. And has that been true since you joined EIA in

- 2 late 1990?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. Is this a firm rule within JEDEC, or is it more
- 5 in the nature of a recommended practice?
- A. No, it is a firm, absolute requirement.
- 7 Q. And I mentioned JEDEC. I -- is the same true
- 8 for -- across all of EIA?
- 9 A. The same is true universally throughout EIA,
- 10 yes.
- 11 Q. And does this firm rule requiring written
- 12 licensing assurances relating to known patented
- 13 technologies govern the conduct of an EIA committee, or
- 14 does it govern the conduct of individual EIA
- 15 participants?
- 16 A. Both.
- 17 Q. Does that mean that whenever an EIA member is
- 18 known to have a patent that is relevant to an EIA
- 19 standardization process, that the member must provide a
- 20 written licensing assurance?
- 21 A. Oh, I'm sorry, no. The rule applies to members
- 22 and to committees. A patent owner is always free to
- 23 refuse to give the licensing or to give the licensing,
- because frankly, you know, that's their prerogative.
- 25 That's their choice. If they want their technology

- 1 included in the standard, however, then they must give
- 2 the assurances. If they prefer not to have their
- 3 technology considered for inclusion in the standard,
- 4 then all they need do is refuse to give the assurances.
- 5 So, the patent owner always has the right to give or
- 6 refuse to give the assurances.
- 7 Q. Just to be clear, if an EIA member elects not
- 8 to provide the requisite licensing assurances, would
- 9 the relevant EIA committee be permitted to adopt a
- 10 standard incorporating the patented technology at
- 11 issue?
- 12 A. No, no. Just to clarify, the committee chair
- 13 must request the written assurances. The patent owner
- has an option to give or not to give the assurances.
- 15 But if the patent owner does not give the assurances,
- 16 the committee is basically -- cannot move forward to
- 17 standardize along the lines of the patented technology.
- 18 That's an absolute requirement for moving forward in
- 19 the process.
- 20 Q. And do the rules that we've been discussing
- 21 both before the lunch break and now, after, relating to
- 22 the written licensing assurance requirements within EIA
- 23 and JEDEC, do those rules apply to patent applications
- as well as to patents?

Q. Was that the case in the early to mid-1990s?

- 2 A. Yes, sir, it was.
- Q. Let me ask you to take a look again at JX-54,
- 4 which is the EP-7 manual, and let me again ask you to
- 5 focus your attention on page 9 of JX-54, which is again
- 6 Section 3.4, the same section we were discussing
- 7 earlier.
- 8 Do you have that page?
- 9 A. I do.
- 10 Q. And in that section, which is again entitled
- 11 Patented Items or Processes, you'll see that there are
- 12 several references to patents and to patented items.
- Do you see that language?
- 14 A. I do.
- Q. Does the word "patent application" appear in
- this section of the EP-7 manual?
- 17 A. No, sir, it does not.
- 18 O. Is it your testimony that these provisions in
- 19 the EP-7 manual nevertheless do apply to patent
- 20 applications?
- 21 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. And can you explain why it is that you
- 23 understand this provision to apply to patent
- 24 applications, even though the term "patent
- 25 applications" is not expressly stated?

- 1 A. I mentioned previously that when I started work
- 2 at EIA, that I reviewed the manuals and that I had a
- 3 number of discussions with individuals on staff at EIA,
- 4 including Mr. Shapiro, Mr. Kinn and Mr. McCloskey, and
- 5 in particular in my conversations with Mr. Kinn --
- 6 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, excuse me, I believe
- 7 this to be hearsay, and it's not appropriately offered
- 8 at this point. He's about to get into the contents of
- 9 what these folks said to him.

1 gained the understanding that had caused him to

- 2 interpret the rules in that way.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, then I'll entertain the
- 4 question, overrule the objection.
- 5 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, if I could say --
- 6 JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.
- 7 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, if I could say, I'm not
- 8 sure there has been a reason given for why his
- 9 particular state of mind is relevant here, and if we're
- 10 talking -- Mr. Royall seems to be indicating this is a
- 11 contract case, which I think he may be offering parol
- 12 evidence from this gentleman. I don't think it's
- proper parol evidence, but I don't think that he's
- 14 established that he's entitled to offer parol evidence.
- MR. ROYALL: Can I respond?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Royall, this is a brand new
- objection that I'm entertaining now. I've already
- 18 ruled on the -- but let me hear what you have to say
- 19 about this, Mr. Royall.
- MR. ROYALL: Well --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: I want to be clear as to where
- we're headed on this is where I'm going.
- MR. ROYALL: Sure. Well, there are a number --
- I think I responded to the earlier point about the
- 25 state of mind.

- 1 JUDGE McGUIRE: Right.
- 2 MR. ROYALL: He mentioned or Mr. Perry just
- 3 mentioned several things. First of all, he said he
- 4 doesn't know that there's any foundation as to why his
- 5 state of mind matters. Well, I think there is very
- 6 much a foundation. He has said now a couple of times
- 7 that throughout the duration of his role as EIA general
- 8 counsel, he is the person who has the last word on how
- 9 these rules are interpreted, and so what he understands
- 10 is quite relevant.
- 11 As to whether this is a contract case, I'm not
- 12 sure what he means by that. I certainly have not
- 13 suggested anything to that effect --
- 14 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, to the extent that
- it's not clear that it's -- you haven't proposed this
- line of inquiry as under any contract terms. Is that
- 17 correct?
- 18 MR. ROYALL: No, I'm -- the purpose for this is
- 19 to elicit his understanding of the rules. He has
- 20 stated that and various documents have referred to him
- 21 being -- the general counsel being the authoritative
- interpreter of the rules, and so I want to understand
- what his understanding is, when he gained it, and to
- 24 the extent he can explain how he came to that
- 25 understanding.

1 JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Perry, one more time.

- MR. PERRY: Yes, Your Honor, I understood from
- 3 the examination this morning that they were trying to
- 4 establish that we joined EIA and that the rules bound
- 5 us, and now we were about to hear what the rules
- 6 supposedly required as a result of conversations that
- 7 this gentleman had 13 years ago with Congressman
- 8 McCloskey and other people, and that sounds to me like
- 9 classic parol evidence.
- 10 That's what I understood to be the whole thrust
- of the morning, was that we joined an organization by
- 12 paying our dues and were bound by certain rules as a
- 13 result of joining, signing that application. So, I --
- 14 JUDGE McGUIRE: It seems to me that you all are
- 15 talking about two different things here. I'm not on
- 16 the same page as the two arguments here. It seems to
- 17 me like to the extent we're talking about his
- 18 understanding as general counsel, then I'm going to
- 19 entertain that questioning. I'm not quite sure what
- 20 you're talking about at this point, Mr. Perry.
- 21 MR. PERRY: Well, I obviously haven't explained
- 22 it well enough, but I had understood --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Perhaps you have. I just don't
- 24 understand it.
- 25 MR. PERRY: -- I had understood the import of

1 the testimony to be that Rambus had agreed to be bound

- 2 by certain rules as a result of filling out an
- 3 application, and that was why we heard that --
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: As they are written. As they
- 5 are written, correct?
- 6 MR. PERRY: As they are written, right, and now
- 7 we are about to hear evidence about what the rules mean
- 8 as a result of these -- to him as a result of these
- 9 conversations, and that seemed to me to be parol
- 10 evidence about what the rules were.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Is that the import of your
- 12 question, Mr. Royall?
- MR. ROYALL: No, I think what Mr. Perry is
- 14 explaining is his theory of the case as it relates to
- these issues, not the nature of what I'm establishing.
- 16 What I'm -- what I'm seeking to establish based on what
- 17 has already -- the foundation that's already been laid
- 18 is that -- his understanding of the rules and that he
- 19 is the authority --
- 20 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, his understanding of
- 21 the rules as they are -- as they were at that time
- 22 written, is that correct, or are you going back to try
- 23 to find out how someone else might have interpreted
- 24 them?
- 25 MR. ROYALL: I'm only focused on his

1 understanding and how it is that he ascertained that

- 2 understanding and when -- when he ascertained that
- 3 understanding.
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, I am going to
- 5 entertain the question, and Mr. Perry, if you have any
- 6 concerns in that area, I'll let you take it up on cross
- 7 examination.
- 8 MR. PERRY: All right, thank you.
- 9 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 10 Q. Mr. Kelly, when did you first come to
- 11 understand that these provisions -- and I'm referring
- 12 to Section 3.4 of the EP-7 manual -- when did you first
- 13 come to understand that these provisions of the EIA
- 14 EP-7 manual applied to patent applications as well as
- 15 to patents?
- 16 A. Shortly after I arrived at EIA.
- 17 Q. And how did you come to that understanding?
- 18 A. As I indicated, in conversations initially with
- 19 Mr. Kinn.
- 20 Q. And you explained earlier that Mr. Kinn at that
- 21 time --
- 22 A. Was the vice president of engineering at EIA.
- Q. In the early 1990s when you first started at
- 24 EIA, did you perceive there to be any doubt within EIA
- as to whether these policies applied to both patents

- 1 and patent applications?
- 2 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, there's no foundation
- 3 for him to testify about whether anybody else within
- 4 EIA had any doubt.
- 5 MR. ROYALL: The question, Your Honor, was to
- 6 his perception, his state of mind, and I think it's
- 7 highly relevant. He's testifying about his
- 8 understanding of the rules, how he gained it. If there
- 9 were doubt, that's something I think that would be
- 10 relevant to bring out, and he's entitled to answer that
- 11 question.
- 12 JUDGE McGUIRE: He can answer the question to
- 13 the extent of his understanding.
- 14 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Do you have the question in mind, Mr. Kelly?
- A. I believe I do, and I think my answer is that I
- 17 never heard from anyone inside the EIA organization
- 18 that "patent" excluded patent applications. It was
- 19 always my understanding that it included patent
- 20 applications.
- Q. Are you aware of any instance in which an EIA
- or JEDEC participant has been asked to provide RAND
- licensing assurances with respect to technologies
- 24 covered by pending applications -- pending patent
- applications as opposed to issued patents?

1 A. Yes, sir. I can't name a specific instance for

- 2 you, but it has come up from time to time, yes.
- 3 O. We've talked now about the basic nature of the
- 4 EIA licensing assurance requirements, and I'd like to
- 5 now ask you a few questions about the purposes
- 6 underlying those requirements.
- 7 Do you have an understanding based on your work
- 8 as EIA's general counsel since 1990 as to why EIA's
- 9 rules contain licensing assurance provisions of the
- sort that we see in Section 3.4 of the EP-7 manual?
- 11 A. I think I understand your question. Let me try
- 12 to handle it.
- 13 Licensing assurances are designed to ensure
- 14 that the process is open and that the end product of
- 15 the process is open and that it will not -- that the
- 16 end product of the process, which is a standard or a
- 17 technical publication, will not include what I called
- 18 before restrictive IP, which is my shorthand for saying
- 19 without the RAND assurances, without the Section 3.4
- 20 assurances, if you will.
- The reason why we request those is to make sure
- that all of the provisions of the EIA rules relating to
- 23 intellectual property have been complied with and that
- 24 we're not producing something that will defeat the
- 25 basic purpose of the organization, which is to promote

- 1 competition, to promote -- to promote competition and
- 2 not to allow the subversion of the process.
- 3 Yes, this is basic to what we do. This is
- 4 basic to the development of open standards.
- 5 Q. And in your mind, absent requiring RAND
- 6 licensing assurances, would those purposes be
- 7 undermined?
- A. Absolutely, because we would be unable to
- 9 produce an open standard unless we knew that there was
- 10 relevant IP that was included and obtained the
- 11 assurances so that the patent owner would not, in
- 12 effect, have the opportunity, which may be the case in
- 13 many instances, to have -- to develop additional market
- 14 power, perhaps even amounting to monopoly market power,
- 15 based upon the inclusion -- the unknown inclusion of
- their technology in a standard without the assurances.
- 17 Q. Do you, Mr. Kelly, based on your experience as
- 18 EIA's general counsel, have an understanding as to why
- 19 EIA's policy relating to licensing assurances extends
- to both patents and patent applications?

1 works with, and frequently patent applications move at

- 2 a measured pace through the patent application policy
- 3 to the issuance of final patents. So, if the work of
- 4 the committee was held up, in effect, by the condition
- 5 that only issued patents needed to be disclosed, then
- 6 the standard development process could reach a very
- 7 late stage or, in fact, already be concluded by the
- 8 time a patent finally issued and there was disclosure
- 9 that the patent was required to comply with the work by
- 10 the committee on the standard under development, and
- 11 that would produce exactly the same kind of
- anti-competitive result that we're trying to prevent by
- 13 the disclosure.
- 14 So, logically, we need to know as much about
- patent applications -- anything in the patent
- application process, let me put it that way, as early
- 17 as we can, in sufficient detail, so we can identify the
- 18 technology and its relationship to the standard, and
- 19 that triggers in turn the obligation on the part of the
- 20 committee chairman to request the RAND assurances and
- 21 on the part of the members of the committee -- I'm
- 22 sorry, and on the part of the patent owner to either
- 23 provide those assurances or decline to provide the
- 24 assurances.
- 25 O. And the understanding that you've just

1 described, how long have you held that understanding?

- 2 A. Since very early on in my tenure at EIA.
- O. In your understanding as EIA general counsel,
- 4 is there any connection between the so-called RAND
- 5 assurance requirements that we see in Section 3.4 of
- 6 the EP-7 manual and the commitment or the requirement
- 7 of good faith that we discussed earlier in connection
- 8 with the EIA Legal Guides?
- 9 A. I think there's a direct relationship.
- 10 Q. Can you explain?
- 11 A. Well, first of all, let me say to me it seems
- 12 fairly obvious, but I'll be happy to try to explain as
- 13 best I can.
- 14 The RAND assurances are designed in the
- 15 particular context of IP that is or may be relevant to
- 16 a standard to promote openness and disclosure so that
- 17 the committee understands what potential issues may lay
- 18 ahead in the standardization process, and the
- 19 disclosure of that information in turn is an exercise
- 20 of good faith by the patent owner to allow that process
- 21 to move forward intelligently, with adequate
- 22 information, so that at the end of the process -- and I
- 23 realize this is somewhat repetitive -- EIA does not
- 24 endorse a standard that contains hidden IP without any
- 25 assurance to the world at large that may be interested

in complying with the standard that they can do so

- 2 without having to pay unrestricted licensing royalties
- 3 or abide by other unreasonable licensing terms.
- 4 Q. Is the RAND assurance requirement, as you
- 5 understand it as EIA's general counsel, connected in
- 6 any way with what we referred to earlier as basic rule
- 7 number 5 from the EIA Legal Guides, which you see on
- 8 the screen here; that is, the rule that prohibits the
- 9 misuse of EIA processes for anti-competitive purposes?
- 10 A. There again, in the absence of disclosure and
- 11 the RAND assurances, there would be a distinct
- 12 possibility, at least in certain cases, that the
- 13 prohibitions in subsection 5 of Section C would be
- 14 violated or could be violated as well because of the
- 15 fact that a -- an IP owner would have undue market
- 16 power as a result of noncompliance with the disclosure
- 17 and the written assurance requirements.
- 18 O. To be clear about one thing, when a member
- 19 company of EIA or JEDEC is known to possess a relevant
- 20 patent or patent application but declines to give a
- 21 RAND assurance, has such a company, by declining to
- give that assurance, violated EIA or JEDEC policy?
- 23 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, there's been some
- leading questions that I've let go, but this one's
- 25 getting too far over the line.

- 1 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- BY MR. ROYALL:
- 3 O. You said earlier that the RAND assurance
- 4 requirement insofar as it seeks to request or requires
- 5 a request of a RAND assurance from a member company
- does not require the member company to give that RAND
- 7 assurance. Is that correct?
- 8 A. I think that was my prior testimony, yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Now, in a situation in which a company has
- 10 declined to give a RAND assurance, can that company
- 11 continue to participate in JEDEC or EIA meetings,
- 12 notwithstanding the fact that they have declined to
- 13 give a RAND assurance?
- 14 A. They can, and in point of fact, that has
- 15 happened, and they do.
- 16 Q. Could such a company continue to make
- 17 presentations if they so desire at JEDEC or other EIA
- 18 meetings?
- 19 A. Absolutely, they can and do.
- Q. What if the presentation that they wish to make
- 21 relates in some way to the patents or patent
- 22 applications on which they have declined to give RAND
- 23 assurances, would it be appropriate for such a company
- to make a presentation within an EIA or JEDEC meeting?
- 25 A. Let me see if I understand your question. Are

- 1 you saying if a company indicates first that it will
- 2 not license on reasonable and nondiscriminatory terms,
- 3 should it be able to make a presentation on the basis
- 4 of that same technology?
- 5 Q. Yes.

- 1 Q. If the committee member in that situation were
- 2 told by the committee chair that it could not make a
- 3 presentation relating to this patented technology,
- 4 what, if anything, could the committee -- could the
- 5 committee member do about that?

- the process will say basically, hey, there's a patent
- 2 relating to this aspect of the committee's work, and
- 3 either my company owns it or somebody else owns it.
- 4 O. Is the same true in JEDEC?
- 5 A. The same is absolutely true in JEDEC.
- 6 O. Do either EIA or JEDEC do anything else to
- 7 identify potentially relevant patents or patent
- 8 applications besides relying on disclosure by the
- 9 member companies?
- 10 A. No, it all depends on the -- on the willingness
- of the members to be forthcoming.
- 12 Q. Is there anyone within --
- 13 A. Any of the participants, I should add, because
- 14 it's not always members. There are other participants
- on occasion at committee meetings.
- 16 Q. Yes. Is there anyone within either EIA's or
- JEDEC's staff whose job it is to conduct patent
- 18 searches?
- 19 A. No, I believe I testified to that earlier. It
- 20 would not be practical to do, and the end product of
- 21 the process, even if we had the resources to engage in

1 A. Well, let me put it this way: They are

- 1 MR. ROYALL: -- on this issue.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead, proceed.
- 3 MR. ROYALL: Can I have the question reread,
- 4 please?
- 5 (The record was read as follows:)
- 6 "QUESTION: At the point in time when you
- 7 joined EIA in 1990, did the organization's written
- 8 rules impose any duty upon participants in EIA's
- 9 standardization activities to disclose relevant patents
- 10 or patent applications?"
- 11 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 12 O. You can answer.
- 13 A. The answer is yes.
- 14 Q. And where in EIA's written rules were such
- 15 obligations stated?
- 16 A. Stated in the provisions that we were just
- 17 reviewing of EP-7, EP-3 and by implication in the Legal
- 18 Guides.
- 19 O. Well, let's focus on the last exhibit that we
- 20 were discussing, which is the EP-7 manual marked as and
- 21 now entered into evidence as JX-54. Are you referring
- in that -- in that exhibit to Section 3.4 that we were
- 23 discussing earlier?
- A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. Can you point out what part of Section 3.4

1 you're thinking of when you say that that provision set

- 2 forth an obligation to disclose relevant patents or
- 3 applications?
- 4 A. Yes, it's primarily the first two sentences
- 5 preceding the indented text. Avoid requirements in EIA
- 6 standards that call for the exclusive use of a patented
- 7 item or process. No program standardization shall
- 8 refer to a patented item or process unless all of the
- 9 technical information covered by the patent is known to
- 10 the formulating committee or working group and the
- 11 committee chairman has received the assurances. So,
- 12 the disclosure requirement is right through that --
- through the words "working group."
- Q. And what, if anything, do you understand that
- language to mean or to require as it relates to the
- 16 subject of disclosure of relevant patents?
- 17 A. As I think I testified before, the entire
- 18 process depends upon the disclosure of relevant IP
- information. Otherwise, the process will be tainted,
- 20 and it will produce a result other than the intended
- 21 result, which is an open standard. So, if members are
- 22 not under an obligation -- and I think they clearly are
- 23 pursuant to this language -- to make full and early
- 24 disclosure of relevant IP, then the entire process
- 25 breaks down.

Q. When we were discussing the rules relating to

- 2 written licensing assurances, I believe you said that
- 3 those rules did not impose mandatory obligations on EIA
- 4 participants. Is that right?
- 5 A. In terms -- I'm sorry, would you --
- 6 O. In terms of the written licensing assurances.
- 7 A. The licensing assurances are -- yes, the patent
- 8 owner is free to give or not to give the assurances.
- 9 The patent owner is not free to give -- is not free to
- 10 make or not make disclosure.
- 11 Q. By that you mean --
- 12 JUDGE McGUIRE: Wait a minute, let's go over
- 13 that again. Could you restate that answer?
- 14 THE WITNESS: All right, yes, sir. I said the
- patent owner is free to give or not to give the written
- 16 assurances. If the patent owner does not give the
- 17 written assurances, then the committee can take no
- 18 further action with respect to the patented technology.
- 19 On the other hand, every participant in the
- 20 process with knowledge of relevant IP has a continuing
- 21 duty to disclose that IP and relevant technical
- 22 information.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay.
- 24 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 25 O. And is that how you interpreted this language

in Section 3.4 when you joined EIA as its general

- 2 counsel or sometime shortly thereafter?
- 3 A. Based upon my reading of the language and my --
- 4 and yes, what I was told about EIA's prior practice,
- 5 that is correct.
- 6 Q. From EIA's standpoint -- and again, I'm asking
- 7 for your view as EIA's general counsel -- is there any
- 8 value to knowing in advance what patents or patent
- 9 applications might relate to a given standards
- 10 proposal?
- 11 A. Yes, sir, as I think I testified before, it is
- 12 essential to the process. It's essential to know what
- impediments there are to the process, what issues there
- 14 are going forward, and to know when it's necessary to
- obtain the written assurances.
- If there's no disclosure, there's no
- 17 opportunity to request the assurances. Therefore, the
- 18 end product of the process, if it -- assuming that, in
- 19 fact, there is relevant IP, the end product is not
- 20 going to be an open standard, and the entire process
- 21 has been thwarted.
- Q. Are you aware of any standard-setting
- 23 organizations that do not require the disclosure of
- 24 patent applications or relevant patent applications?
- 25 A. Yes, there are.

1 Q. Is there anything in your mind about the nature

- of JEDEC or EIA's work as compared to other standard
- 3 organizations that in your view makes disclosure of
- 4 patent applications important?
- 5 A. In other industries, particularly outside the
- 6 community in which we operate, which is the high
- 7 technology community, the standard-setting process may
- 8 move more slowly, and the patent application process
- 9 may move more slowly -- [answer stricken].
- 10 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, excuse me --
- 11 THE WITNESS: -- but there is no --
- 12 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, let him finish, Mr.
- 13 Perry, then you can make your objection.
- 14 JUDGE McGUIRE: Are you finished, Mr. Kelly?
- 15 THE WITNESS: Yes, I am.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Mr. Perry?
- 17 MR. PERRY: There was a motion in limine with
- 18 respect to --
- 20 sustained. I know what you're saying.
- 21 MR. PERRY: I would like to strike his
- 22 testimony --
- 23 JUDGE McGUIRE: It is stricken at this point,
- 24 because the Court is not interested in any other
- 25 industry standard organizations, and you're exactly

1 right on that order, and that is sustained, and I want

- 2 that last answer stricken from the record.
- MR. ROYALL: Thank you, Your Honor, we
- 4 understand. I will -- I will say, just because it's
- 5 going to come up later, Mr. Perry has questioned Mr.
- 6 Kelly in deposition about how the ANSI policy or
- 7 guidelines may relate to EIA and JEDEC, and it was also
- 8 a subject he's been questioned about in prior
- 9 depositions, and that's something that we think is
- 10 relevant to understand the facts in this case and how
- 11 the rules were interpreted --
- 12 JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, if I don't entertain
- other expert -- proposed expert testimony on this
- 14 issue, I don't feel inclined to entertain any kind of
- 15 testimony in this area.
- MR. PERRY: Your Honor, with respect to ANSI,
- 17 we're in complete agreement, because EIA is accredited
- 18 by ANSI, so there's a relationship there. I had not
- 19 understood his questioning to be related to ANSI. I
- 20 thought he was going into VESA and all the other ones
- 21 that Mr. Kefauver had been opining about.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: So, there is no objection, is
- that what you're saying?
- 24 MR. PERRY: If that's -- if he wants to talk
- about ANSI, we have no problem. We're going to ask him

- 1 about ANSI.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, okay.
- Is that the context of your inquiry, Mr.
- 4 Royall?
- 5 MR. ROYALL: I can limit it. I'm happy to
- 6 limit it to ANSI.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, then let's keep it
- 8 for the time being confined to that, but my earlier
- 9 statement is still pretty -- I mean, we'll see how this
- 10 comes up again, but I'm not inclined to hear testimony
- on how other outside organizations operate.
- MR. ROYALL: Fully understood. Thank you.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, go ahead.
- 14 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Are you aware of other ANSI-affiliated
- 16 standards organizations that do not require the
- 17 disclosure of relevant patent applications?
- 18 A. I am aware that there are other organizations
- 19 that do not require the disclosure of patent
- 20 applications, including ANSI itself, but I can't
- 21 identify specifically who they are.
- 22 O. And just so the record is clear when we come
- 23 back to the prior question, is there anything in your
- 24 mind about the nature of JEDEC's or EIA's work as
- 25 compared to other ANSI-affiliated standards

- organizations that in your view makes disclosure of
- patent applications more important?
- 3 A. The fact that we're in a very fast-moving,
- 4 fast-breaking technology development area means that to
- 5 wait until the patent process concludes before there is

- 1 may be particular sections of documents that we haven't
- 2 reviewed, but in general, yes, we've covered
- 3 everything.
- Q. Do the various rules set forth in these EIA
- 5 manuals -- and by that I'm referring to the EP-3, EP-7
- 6 manuals and also the EIA Legal Guides which we
- 7 discussed -- do the rules set forth in those manuals
- 8 apply with any less force or effect to standardization
- 9 activities conducted by JEDEC as opposed to other parts
- 10 of EIA?
- 11 A. No. Again, as I think I've testified before,
- 12 the EIA rules apply throughout or at least at this time
- 13 applied throughout the EIA structure to all of the
- 14 sectors of EIA.
- Q. As of the time that you joined EIA, did JEDEC
- 16 have any of its o-l pas?

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- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Do you recognize this document?
- A. Yes, sir, this is the JEDEC manual which was in
- 4 effect at the time that I became EIA general counsel in
- 5 September 1990.
- 6 Q. And was this an EIA publication?
- 7 A. This was, as indicated on the cover, published
- 8 by the Electronic Industries Association, Engineering
- 9 Department, yes.
- 10 Q. And did this manual apply uniquely to the
- 11 activities of JEDEC, or did it also apply to other
- 12 EIA-related activities --
- 13 A. No, this --
- 14 Q. -- as well?
- 15 A. -- this manual applied just to JEDEC-related
- 16 activities.
- 17 Q. And how would you describe the purpose of this
- 18 manual?
- 19 A. This manual was to provide sector-specific
- 20 guidance to JEDEC engineering committees, and it was
- 21 supplemental to the EIA manuals that we've been tal-specifiwng ner ias indearid rinttee I becaid maduniquely to the available

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- 1 A. My understanding?
- Q. Yes, your understanding.
- 3 A. My understanding is that this manual was made
- 4 available or that the then-current version was made
- 5 available to all new members at the time they became
- 6 members. It was also made available to committee
- 7 chairs when they assumed their responsibility as
- 8 committee chairs. It was also brought to meetings by
- 9 the staff people who were responsible for the
- 10 committees and available at the meeting if anyone cared
- 11 to review the document.
- 12 Q. You said earlier that you, as EIA's general
- 13 counsel, have the final word when it comes to
- interpreting and applying the EIA's rules, correct?
- 15 A. That is correct.
- 16 O. Who had the final word when it came to
- 17 interpreting and applying JEDEC's separate rules, such
- 18 as the rules set forth in CX-205?
- 19 A. I did, and as I think I testified before, the
- 20 reason for that was that until early 2000, JEDEC was
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- 1 ultimately were controlling over JEDEC, JEDEC's own
- 2 separate rules or the broader rules established by EIA?
- 3 A. If there were a conflict, the broader rules of
- 4 EIA would govern; however, I'm not aware of any
- 5 conflicts between the JEDEC rules and the EIA rules.
- Q. Just to be clear, are you aware of any conflict
- 7 that has existed b hld gove, onflicttarate rndA

- incorporated herein by reference. EIA Legal Counsel
- 2 can advise the Council, " C O U N C I L, "and Committees
- 3 from time to time concerning interpretation of Legal
- 4 Guides."
- 5 O. Is it correct that the JEDEC manual -- this
- 6 version of the JEDEC manual, CX-205, incorporated by
- 7 reference into JEDEC's rules the EIA Legal Guides?
- 8 A. Sir, that's what it says.
- 9 Q. To your knowledge, has that remained true in
- 10 subsequent versions of the JEDEC manual?
- 11 A. It has remained true until recent editions of
- 12 the JEDEC manual within the last few years, but
- certainly during the 1990s, this was true.
- 14 Q. And during the early to mid-1990s, did you from
- time to time advise JEDEC concerning the interpretation
- of the EIA Legal Guides?
- 17 A. Yes, I did.
- 18 O. Did this version of the JEDEC manual, that is,
- 19 the 21-H version that was in effect when you joined EIA
- in 1990, CX-205, did it refer expressly to the RAND
- 21 licensing assurance requirement that we discussed
- 22 earlier?
- A. No, sir, that -- it did not.
- Q. Did it or does it, since we have it here, refer

1 discussed earlier and that we saw reference to in the

- 2 EIA manuals?
- 3 A. No, it does not.
- 4 Q. Does that mean that JEDEC participants during
- 5 the time in which this JEDEC manual was in effect, that
- is, CX-205, were not subject to those EIA policies?
- 7 A. No, it doesn't mean that at all. As I think I
- 8 testified, within the EIA structure, EIA --
- 9 hierarchically, EIA was at the top of the food chain
- 10 and JEDEC was further down, and therefore JEDEC members
- 11 were required to comply not only with the JEDEC manual
- but also with the EIA manual, and the provisions you're
- 13 referring to were in the EIA manuals and the Legal
- 14 Guides, even though they weren't repeated here in the
- 15 JEDEC manual.
- MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, before I go further,
- 17 I'd like to offer CX-205 at this time.
- 18 JUDGE McGUIRE: Objection?
- 19 MR. PERRY: No objection.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: So entered.
- 21 (CX Exhibit Number 205 was admitted into
- evidence.)
- 23 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Now, we have been discussing written rules and
- 25 the various provisions in the written rules, and just

- joined EIA in September 1990?
- 2 A. No, sir, not in terms of its substance, no.
- Q. Are you familiar with something called the
- 4 JEDEC patent policy?
- 5 A. I think that those terms were used
- 6 interchangeably, EIA patent policy and JEDEC patent
- 7 policy, again, during the relevant period of time,
- 8 which I'm thinking is the 1990s.
- 9 Q. And just to be clear, since you joined EIA in
- 10 1990, to your understanding, has the JEDEC patent
- 11 policy changed in any way?
- 12 A. No, not in any way, not substantively.
- 13 Sometimes the words have changed, but the substance has
- 14 not.
- Q. Did there come a time in the early 1990s when
- 16 JEDEC developed its own statement in writing of the
- 17 JEDEC patent policy?
- 18 A. Yes, sir, at some point JEDEC did develop a
- 19 manual, I think it was published in around October
- 20 1993, which was a statement in its own words of the
- 21 patent policy.
- MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, may I approach?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.
- 24 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 25 BY MR. ROYALL:

1 Q. Mr. Kelly, I've just handed you what's been

- 2 marked for identification as CX-208. Do you recognize
- 3 this document?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, this is the document I was referring
- 5 to in response to your earlier question. It is
- 6 identified as JEP21-I, and it's dated October 1993.
- 7 Q. And did this version of the JEDEC manual, J --
- 8 I'm sorry, CX-208, did it supersede the prior version
- 9 of the JEDEC manual that we were discussing, the 21-H
- 10 version?
- 11 A. Yes, sir, it says in the subtext under the
- identification number of the document that it's a
- 13 revision of JEP21-H, which is the document identified
- 14 as CX-205.
- 15 Q. Have you ever heard either this version of the
- 16 JEDEC manual or the prior version of the JEDEC manual
- 17 referred to as the chairman's manual?
- 18 A. No, sir.
- 19 Q. Do you know whether in the early to mid-1990s,
- 20 after it was adopted, this version of the JEDEC manual,
- 21 the 21-I version, was generally made available to JEDEC
- 22 members?
- 23 MR. PERRY: No foundation, Your Honor.
- 24 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- 25 BY MR. ROYALL:

1 Q. If we could go back to the questions I asked

- 2 you earlier about the EIA manuals, do you recall that
- 3 you gave testimony that those manuals were generally
- 4 made available to EIA participants?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 O. In the manner in which you used that term or
- 7 understood and described that term, generally made
- 8 available, do you know whether this manual, the 21-I
- 9 manual, was generally made available to JEDEC
- 10 participants?
- 11 MR. PERRY: No foundation for what was
- 12 available to JEDEC participants, Your Honor.
- MR. ROYALL: I'm asking whether he knows, and
- 14 then if he -- depending on the answer to that question,
- 15 we can explore the basis of that.
- 16 JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, I think that one I'll
- have to entertain, because that's the whole point of
- 18 the question it seems to me, so overruled.
- 19 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 20 Q. Do you have in mind the question, Mr. Kelly?
- 21 A. Yes, I do. I think --
- 22 MR. PERRY: Your --
- 23 THE WITNESS: -- I was permitted to testify to
- the earlier version of the same publication that was
- 25 disseminated --

1 MR. PERRY: Can we just get a yes or no please,

- 2 Your Honor?
- THE WITNESS: I'm trying to say yes -- the same
- 4 way, the same way.
- 5 JUDGE McGUIRE: We can only talk in this
- 6 courtroom one person at a time, so I ask everybody
- 7 involved, and I try myself to avoid talking overlapping
- 8 with other people in talking, but I'm allowed to
- 9 interject.
- 10 So, let's start all over, and ask the question
- 11 again, and sir, if you will just answer the question,
- 12 and then if there is any opposition, we will entertain
- 13 that.
- 14 All right, Mr. Royall.
- 15 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. And just to be clear, to respond to Mr. Perry's
- 17 question, if you can just give a yes or no answer to
- 18 that first, then we will go further depending on that.
- 19 Do you have an understanding as to whether this
- 20 version of the JEDEC manual, the 21-I manual marked as
- 21 CX-208, was generally made available to JEDEC members
- in the same way that you've described the EIA manuals
- 23 earlier being generally made available to EIA
- 24 participants?
- 25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Can you explain the basis for that

- 2 understanding?
- 3 A. The basis for the understanding is the -- what
- 4 I had been told by staff in the course of my ongoing
- 5 work.
- 6 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, I would object if he
- 7 goes further and says what he was told by staff,
- 8 because that's hearsay being offered for the truth.
- 9 JUDGE McGUIRE: Overruled. It's his
- 10 understanding. I'll hear it.
- 11 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 12 O. Can you elaborate on how it is that you
- understand that this manual was generally available?
- 14 I'm just not sure that you were -- you had completed
- 15 your answer.
- 16 A. Because I periodically inquire and have
- inquired of staff how the manuals are distributed, and
- 18 what I have been told forms the basis for my
- 19 understanding.
- 20 Q. Were you involved in the process of revising
- 21 the 21-H version of the JEDEC manual, which has been
- 22 marked as CX-205, to generate the subsequent 21-I
- 23 version of the JEDEC manual, which is marked as CX-208?
- 24 A. I was not directly involved in the sense of
- being a draftsman of this document, no.

- 1 Q. Did you review and approve this document, the
- 2 21-I version of the JEDEC manual, before it was
- 3 finalized?
- 4 A. I'm sure that I did. It couldn't have been
- 5 published without my approval.
- 6 O. Does this version of the JEDEC manual, CX-208,
- 7 contain a statement of the JEDEC patent policy?
- 8 A. Yes, sir, I believe it does.
- 9 Q. Let me ask you to turn to page 19 of CX-208.
- 10 A. I have.
- 11 Q. And focusing on Sections 9.3 and 9.3.1 on that
- 12 page, do you see that?
- 13 A. I do.
- Q. Is this the language or a portion of the
- language that you were referring to when you said that
- this manual has a statement of the JEDEC patent policy?
- 17 A. It is or they are.
- 18 O. When this language was first added to the JEDEC
- 19 manual in October 1993, as you understand the JEDEC
- 20 patent policy, did it have an effect of altering the
- 21 substance of the JEDEC patent policy in any way?
- A. No, this was a restatement of the patent
- 23 policy, and it in no way varied the policy itself. It
- 24 changed some of the verbiage, which I think I testified
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1 Q. By placing this language in its manual -- and

- when I refer to "this language," again I am referring
- 3 to Sections 9.3 and 9.3.1 -- did JEDEC cause the
- 4 substance of its own patent policy to diverge in any
- 5 way from the broader EIA patent policy that you've
- 6 testified about?
- 7 A. No, sir, this is not different in any -- in any
- 8 respect from the EIA patent policy other than the
- 9 language used.
- 10 Q. Let me ask you to turn to page 23 of CX-208.
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. I'm sorry, page 27 is what I meant.
- Do you see on that page the heading EIA/JEDEC
- 14 Patent Policy Summary?
- 15 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Now, I'll give you a moment to review it if you
- 17 need it, but my question is, is the language under that
- 18 heading an accurate summary of the patent policies that
- 19 were applicable within both JEDEC and EIA in the time
- 20 period in which this manual was adopted in 1993?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, they are -- this language does
- 22 reflect the policy.
- Q. And when you say that, it reflects both the
- JEDEC and the EIA policy?
- 25 A. They were one in the same, but yes, it reflects

- 1 both if you would like to separate them, yes.
- 2 O. And again, I'll give you time to review this if
- 3 you need it, but my next question is, does this
- 4 language accurately summarize the EIA and JEDEC patent
- 5 policies as they exist today?
- 6 A. Yes, this language does accurately summarize
- 7 the language of the EIA and JEDEC patent policies as
- 8 they exist today.
- 9 O. Did the revisions that were made in this
- 10 version of the JEDEC manual adopted in October 1993
- 11 clarify or make more explicit any aspect of the
- 12 JEDEC/EIA patent policy?
- 13 A. This manual made more explicit the -- the
- 14 requirement to disclose both issued patents as well as
- 15 patent applications, yes.
- 16 Q. Let me ask you again to focus your attention on
- 17 page 27 of CX-208.
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. Is there language in this -- on this page of
- 20 the document that you're referring to when you say that
- 21 it -- this version of the manual made more explicit the
- 22 application to the patent application?
- A. Yes, sir, I think if you look at the third
- line, you will see an explicit reference to "the patent
- 25 or pending patent."

1 Q. Yes. Yes, I do see that, but -- and just to be

- 2 clear, did the addition of this language conform with
- 3 the manner in which the EIA/JEDEC patent policy had
- 4 been interpreted and applied prior to this time?
- 5 A. Yes, sir, it did --
- 6 MR. PERRY: Objection, vague as to whether
- 7 we're talking about how he had interpreted and applied
- 8 it. The question was about everybody in the world.
- 9 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- 10 MR. ROYALL: I can re-ask that.
- 11 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 12 O. As you understood and -- as you understood the
- 13 JEDEC and EIA patent policies in your role as EIA's
- 14 general counsel, did the addition of this language
- 15 relating to pending patents conform with the manner in
- which the EIA/JEDEC patent policy had been interpreted
- and applied prior to this time?
- 18 A. Yes, it -- it did, in fact, conform.
- 19 Q. To your knowledge, have any other EIA-related
- 20 manuals been revised to include language similar to the
- 21 language contained in this version of the JEDEC manual?
- 22 A. In the latter part of the 1990s, EIA revised
- its own manual to include similar language, that the
- 24 EIA patent policy applies to issued patents and patent
- 25 applications equally.

1 Q. You mentioned earlier that one of your

- 2 responsibilities as EIA general counsel involves
- 3 providing input and guidance concerning the proper
- 4 interpretation and application of the organization's
- 5 rules. Is that right?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 MR. ROYALL: Excuse me, Your Honor, I'm just
- 8 going to skip over something here.
- 9 JUDGE McGUIRE: I thought you just asked him a
- 10 question.
- MR. ROYALL: Well, I asked him a question and
- 12 he answered.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Oh, he answered. I thought he
- 14 hadn't answered that.
- 15 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- 16 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Mr. Kelly, do you have an understanding --
- 18 again, in your capacity as EIA general counsel -- do
- 19 you have an understanding as to what motivated JEDEC to
- 20 make the revisions to the JEDEC manual that were made
- 21 in the 1993 version?
- MR. PERRY: Your Honor, there's no foundation
- 23 for that. He can just ask him if he has an
- understanding, but I would like a chance to voir dire,
- 25 because he has testified on this point quite squarely.

1 JUDGE McGUIRE: Do you want to do that now, Mr.

- 2 Perry, is that what you're saying?
- 3 MR. PERRY: If he says no, I don't have to.
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: Let's hear his answer -- all
- 5 right, let me look at the question.
- 6 MR. ROYALL: Well, he's said a couple things.
- 7 One he says I haven't laid a foundation, and that's the
- 8 purpose of the question. And as to voir dire on this
- 9 subject, Mr. Perry will have ample time to cross
- 10 examine Mr. Kelly on this or any other subject
- 11 tomorrow.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, I'm going to --
- that's a proper inquiry for cross examination. At that
- time, you can bring up any prior inconsistent
- 15 statements he might have made.
- 16 On the other point, I'm going to ask you to
- 17 please restate the question so I'm now aware of what is
- 18 being asked.
- MR. ROYALL: Yes, Your Honor.
- 20 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. At this point, Mr. Kelly, I'm only asking for
- 22 your understanding or what -- actually, whether you
- 23 have an understanding.
- Do you have an understanding as to what
- 25 motivated the JEDEC organization to make the revisions

1 to the JEDEC manual that were made in the 1993 version

- 2 of the manual?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And can you explain what your understanding in
- 5 that regard is?
- 6 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, I think we ought to
- 7 hear from the people who had the motivations about what
- 8 their motivations were. I think this is improper
- 9 speculation and calling for hearsay.
- 10 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, he has explained that
- 11 as EIA's general counsel, he's responsible for these
- 12 rules and --
- 13 JUDGE McGUIRE: Overruled. Go ahead and ask
- 14 the question.
- 15 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Do you have -- I had simply asked if you had --
- 17 JUDGE McGUIRE: You had asked it. You can
- answer it if you still have the question in mind.
- 19 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor.
- The answer is that in the early 1990s, there
- 21 was litigation that arose out of a JEDEC
- 22 standard-setting activity involving WANG Technologies
- 23 and several other companies in the industry, and the --
- one of the defenses or allegations that WANG made in
- 25 that case was that they did not understand the patent

- 1 policy to apply to patent applications. This caused
- 2 immediate concern in the JEDEC organization, and there
- 3 was an initiative almost from that moment forward, when
- 4 that defense or allegation was first raised, to clarify
- 5 the patent policy so that it would be clear in the
- future that "patent" meant patents and patent
- 7 applications, and there would never be a repetition of
- 8 the situation presented in the WANG case.
- 9 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 10 Q. And were you personally involved in any way in
- 11 the WANG litigation?
- 12 A. I represented JEDEC -- I represented JEDEC and
- 13 EIA in connection with the depositions of Mr. Jack Kinn
- 14 and Mr. Ken McGhee in the WANG -- in one of the WANG
- 15 cases. There were several.
- 16 Q. After the WANG litigation or perhaps during the
- 17 WANG litigation, was there, to your knowledge, concern
- 18 within EIA or JEDEC that perhaps the rules did not give
- 19 clear enough notice that the patent disclosure policy
- 20 extended to patent applications?
- 21 A. No, I think -- no, no, there was not a concern
- that there wasn't sufficient clarity in the rules.
- 23 There was a desire to make it abundantly clear, to nail
- 24 this down absolutely, that the rules extended to
- 25 patents and patent applications. So, it wasn't an

- 1 didn't state it properly.
- 2 MR. ROYALL: Okay, all right.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: I'll allow you that
- 4 opportunity.
- 5 MR. ROYALL: Okay, thank you.
- 6 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 7 Q. Do you, Mr. Kelly, have personal knowledge of
- 8 anything else that JEDEC did besides revising the JEDEC
- 9 manual to make more explicit in this time period the
- 10 organization's rules with respect to the disclosure of
- 11 patent applications?
- 12 A. I think I -- well, I know that the sign-in
- 13 sheet was modified around this time frame, and I
- 14 testified to this this morning, to make it clear that I
- was to answer questions on the patent policy. I don't
- 16 know if that goes to your question.
- 17 Q. Well, maybe we could -- can we pull up the
- 18 sign-in sheet, which was CX-306, which I believe was
- 19 previously entered?
- 20 A. Right.
- Q. If you want to look on the screen, I think it
- 22 should be on -- well, the language I'm sure is hard to
- read. Do you have a copy in front of you?
- 24 A. I do.
- 25 Q. Okay. So, we're referring to the sign-in sheet

- which you testified about earlier, CX-306.
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 0. Is there -- strike that.
- 4 Did you say in your previous answer that you
- 5 understood that the language of this sign-in sheet had
- 6 been modified in some way to make more explicit the
- 7 requirement to disclose patent applications?
- 8 A. Well, I'm not -- rereading it, I think that
- 9 the -- that the language that I'm referring to is
- 10 "subjects involving patentability or patented items
- shall conform to the EIA policy," and then the sentence
- that I testified to this morning about referring to EIA
- 13 general counsel about any doubtful question. I think
- 14 that first appeared on the sign-in sheet in the early
- 15 1990s time frame, around the time of the WANG case.
- Q. And as used in this document, CX-306 --
- 17 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, let's go off the
- 18 record for just a moment. I can't even hear what's
- 19 happening.
- 20 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, on the record.
- BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. As used in this document, CX-306, how do you
- 24 understand the term "patentable items"? What do you
- 25 understand that term to refer to?

- 1 A. Patent applications.
- Q. To your knowledge, Mr. Kelly, was there anyone
- 3 in particular within JEDEC who in the time period we're
- 4 focused on, in the early 1990s, spearheaded JEDEC's
- 5 efforts to make more explicit the organization's rules
- 6 in their application to patent applications?
- 7 A. Yes, to my own personal knowledge, that
- 8 gentleman was named Jim Townsend of Toshiba.
- 9 O. And who was Mr. Townsend? What was his
- 10 connection to JEDEC?
- 11 A. Mr. -- I'm sorry. Mr. Townsend was a
- 12 participant in the JC-42 committee, I believe JC-42 --
- 13 the plenary committee as well as the JC-42.3, and he
- 14 was one of the corporate representatives to JEDEC from
- 15 a company known as Toshiba.
- Q. And is Mr. Townsend deceased, is that right?
- 17 A. He is deceased, yes, sir.
- 18 O. Do you have, based on your own personal
- 19 knowledge, any understanding as to why Jim Townsend
- 20 chose to get involved in the issues relating to --
- 21 these issues relating to the revisions of the language
- of the JEDEC patent policy?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- Q. And what understanding do you have in that
- 25 regard?

1 A. He and I spoke on numerous occasions personally

- and by telephone about the issues related to patents
- 3 and patent applications that we have been talking about
- 4 here today. His company was directly involved in the
- 5 WANG case as a defendant party, I believe, and he felt
- 6 very strongly that the --
- 7 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, excuse me, but if we
- 8 are going to get hearsay from Mr. Townsend outside of
- 9 cross examination, I would object to it. I don't know
- 10 why this witness' understanding of what Mr. Townsend
- 11 told him --
- 12 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- 13 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Do you know, based on your own personal
- 15 knowledge, Mr. Kelly, whether Mr. Townsend was involved
- in making the revisions to the JEDEC manual that we
- 17 discussed earlier?
- 18 A. He was involved in that process, yes, sir.
- 19 Q. I believe you said earlier that one of your
- 20 roles as EIA's general counsel is to provide guidance
- 21 on the proper interpretation and application of EIA's
- 22 and JEDEC's rules. Is that right?
- 23 A. That is correct.
- Q. During your tenure as EIA general counsel, how
- often have you received requests for guidance relating

- 1 to either EIA's or JEDEC's rules? Can you describe
- 2 generally how often that -- those types of requests
- 3 come to your attention?
- 4 A. If I could just -- if I may ask, you're
- 5 referring broadly to the rules of both organizations?
- 6 O. Well, let's start there.
- 7 A. Okay. Often.
- Q. How often do you get or have you gotten
- 9 questions relating to the EIA or JEDEC patent policy?
- 10 A. Less often. I would say occasionally. On an
- order -- in terms of frequency, probably one every
- 12 other month over the entire time I've been at EIA.
- 13 Q. And with respect to requests for guidance or
- input on the patent policy, what type of issues are
- most often raised to your attention?
- 16 A. By far the most frequent relate to the same
- 17 subject His Honor inquired about, which is the meaning
- 18 of "reasonable" and the meaning of "nondiscriminatory"
- 19 and whether the addition of other terms and conditions
- 20 added to that language would be acceptable in my view
- 21 as EIA

1 A. Yes, sir, when the interpretation is not

- doubtful, then the staff and the committee chair can
- 3 and do provide guidance as to the interpretation of the
- 4 rules.
- 5 Q. In your tenure as EIA's general counsel, has
- 6 there ever been an instance that you recall in which
- 7 the staff or the committee leadership have interpreted
- 8 EIA or JEDEC rules differently than you?
- 9 A. Yes, of course.
- 10 Q. And when that happens, that is, when either the
- 11 staff or the committee leadership interpret the rules
- differently than you, whose interpretation controls?
- 13 A. Mine does.
- 14 Q. If an EIA or JEDEC member does not agree with
- the manner in which the organization's rules are being
- interpreted or applied at the committee level, what can
- 17 they do about it, if anything?
- 18 A. They can report their disagreement to the staff
- 19 person charged with responsibility for supporting the
- 20 committee, who will report the problem back to me.
- 21 They can express their concerns to the committee chair,
- 22 who in a doubtful case will report it back to me. Or
- they can come to me directly and express their concern.
- O. Has there ever been an instance in which a
- 25 committee member, either EIA or JEDEC committee member,

1 has disagreed with the staff or the leadership of the

- 2 committee, and the issue has been presented to you for
- 3 resolution?
- 4 A. It certainly happens, yes, sir.
- 5 Q. Let me ask you to take a look at another
- 6 document.
- 7 May I approach, Your Honor?
- 8 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- 9 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 10 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 11 Q. Mr. Kelly, I've handed you what's been marked
- 12 for identification as CX-353. Do you recognize this
- 13 document?
- 14 A. It's a multipage exhibit. The first page is a
- 15 memorandum that I wrote to Mr. Ken McGhee of JEDEC on
- March 29, 1994, and the remainder of the exhibit is
- 17 a -- it looks like a briefing paper, a white paper, by
- 18 Texas Instruments. If I recall correctly, this was
- 19 given to me by Mr. McGhee who came to me for guidance.
- 20 O. And did this concern the activities of JEDEC's
- 21 JC-42.3 subcommittee?
- 22 A. Yes, sir, it did.
- O. And was Mr. McGhee at that time the EIA staff
- 24 member responsible for supporting that committee?
- A. He was.

1 Q. To your knowledge, if you know, was your memo

- 2 to Ken McGhee forwarded to JC-42.3 subcommittee
- 3 members?
- 4 A. That was the intent -- that was my intent.
- 5 Q. Do you recall or can you explain -- and again,
- if you need a moment to look at the document, take
- 7 whatever time you need -- but do you recall or can you
- 8 explain your understanding of the nature of the issue
- 9 that was raised by Texas Instruments in this instance?
- 10 A. Let me just take a moment to review the
- 11 document.
- 12 O. Sure.
- 13 A. (Document review.) Yes, sir, I do.
- Q. Can you explain your understanding of the issue
- that Texas Instruments was raising relating to CX-353?
- 16 A. Yes, sir. There had been a disclosure that
- 17 Texas Instruments had a pending patent or patent
- 18 application, I can't recall which without reading their
- 19 memo, but certainly relevant IP to the work of the
- 20 JC-42.3 committee, and the question -- and TI had
- 21 took -- TI took the position that even though its IP
- was relevant, it was not required to comply with the
- 23 work of the committee, and therefore, it needed not --
- 24 it need not give the patent assurances -- the licensing
- 25 assurances that I referred to earlier, not as a matter

- of discretion, but just as a matter of fact.
- 2 They said, you know, our patent is not required
- 3 to comply with the standard; therefore, you can move
- 4 forward. We don't have to give the assurances. And
- 5 the specific issue that they raised was whether the
- 6 committee at that point had an obligation to make a
- 7 factual determination that there was a requirement
- 8 relationship between the patent and the standard under
- 9 development. And my response was, no, if the -- if the
- 10 use of the patent is or may be required to comply with
- 11 the standard, then the -- then the patent owner should
- 12 give what I referred to as a conditional assurance, and
- 13 that is if it turns out as a matter of fact that in
- 14 this case TI's technology was required to comply with
- 15 the standard, they would have already given the
- 16 assurances. That way, the process could move forward.
- 17 If they didn't do that, the process basically
- would have stopped with a deadlock, because the

1 Did you understand in this instance that Texas

- 2 Instruments was setting forth its own interpretation of
- 3 what the JEDEC/EIA patent policy required relating to
- 4 licensing assurances?
- 5 A. Yes, sir, I think they do that in the
- 6 backgrounder, which is the three -- four-page document
- 7 that is attached to my memo.
- 8 Q. And did you agree with the interpretation of
- 9 the JEDEC/EIA patent policy that Texas Instruments was
- 10 advancing?
- 11 A. No, I disagreed.
- 12 O. And did you set forth your interpretation on
- this aspect of the JEDEC/EIA patent policy in your
- March 29, 1994 memo to Mr. McGhee?
- 15 A. I did.
- Q. And that is the first page of CX-353. Let's
- 17 take a look at what you said.
- 18 Focusing on the second paragraph of that March
- 19 29, 1994 memo, in that second paragraph you state,
- 20 "Written assurances must be provided by the patent
- 21 holder when it appears to the committee that the
- 22 candidate standard may require the use of a patented
- invention, and the words "may require" are
- 24 underscored.
- Do you see that language?

- 1 A. I do, yes, I do.
- 2 O. Now, can you explain specifically what you
- 3 meant by that language?
- 4 A. Yes, sir. I think we were past the stage where
- 5 Texas Instruments hadn't decided whether or not it was
- 6 going to exercise its discretion as the patent owner to
- 7 give the assurance or not. The issue that was
- 8 presented here was whether there needs to be, in fact,
- 9 a shown requirement nexus between the IP and the
- 10 standard for them to give the assurances, and they took
- 11 the position that the committee needed to make a
- 12 factual determination that there was, in fact, a
- 13 requirement that the patent needed to be used to comply
- 14 with the standard.
- I said, no, what needs to be determined is
- 16 whether or not there may be a requirement to use the
- 17 patent in order to comply with the standard, and once
- 18 that determination was made, then it would be
- 19 appropriate for TI under -- TI under the circumstances
- 20 to say if it later turns out that there's a
- 21 requirement, we've already given the assurances, let
- the committee's work go forward.
- O. Now, in the sentence that I read from that
- second paragraph of your memo, what did you mean by the
- 25 term "candidate standard"?

- 1 A. "Candidate standard" is actually a term that I
- 2 think ANSI had used in various documents in the past.
- 3 That was not something that I used for the first time
- 4 here. That was something that I -- that had been used
- 5 elsewhere.
- Q. Does this -- as you understand EIA process and
- 7 the EIA patent policy as the general counsel of the
- 8 organization, does the standardization process have to
- 9 proceed beyond a certain stage before it would be
- 10 appropriate for the JEDEC committee to request
- licensing assurances from a member company?
- 12 A. No, I -- if I understand your question
- correctly, the -- there needs to be disclosure as early
- 14 as possible in the process, and once there has been
- disclosure, if it appears that the technology is or may
- 16 be required to comply with the standard under
- 17 development, then the assurances shTD(gcesiiSpA that uT;
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- 1 referred to either one, whichever TI had.
- Q. And finally, relating to that language, why did
- 3 you underline the words "may require" in that sentence?
- 4 A. Because again, the emphasis was here that there
- 5 needed to be a -- that if the work of the committee may
- 6 require the use of the patent, that was all that was
- 7 necessary to trigger the conditional assurance that I

1 standard. The -- rather, the test is "may require."

- 2 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, I would offer this
- 3 document, CX-353, at this time.
- 4 MR. PERRY: No objection.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: So entered.
- 6 (CX Exhibit Number 353 was admitted into
- 7 evidence.)
- 8 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 9 Q. Focusing on the same document, I do have one
- 10 last question, Mr. Kelly.
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. At the end of that second paragraph on the
- 13 first page, CX-353, you refer to something called the
- 14 ANSI Guidelines for Implementation of the ANSI Patent
- 15 Policy.
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 A. Yes, sir. Actually, it says, "Guidelines for
- 18 Implementation of the ANSI Patent Policy, "then certain
- 19 pages, yes, sir.
- 20 O. Yes. You have made several references to ANSI.
- 21 I don't know that I've asked you to explain what ANSI
- is, so could I ask you to do that now?
- 23 A. ANSI is -- first of all, ANSI stands for
- 24 American National Standards Institute, and ANSI is one
- 25 of several organizations in the United States that

- 1 accredits other organizations to develop standards.
- 2 ANSI also is a -- has the authority to adopt the
- 3 standards or certain of the standards that are
- 4 submitted to it by its qualified organizations for
- 5 adoption as American national standards; hence the
- 6 American National Standards Institute, the name.
- 7 Q. Do you personally have or have you had any
- 8 affiliation with ANSI?
- 9 A. EIA has been for a number of years, I think

- 1 A. The affiliation between ANSI and EIA is that
- 2 EIA was originally accredited by ANSI, I think the date
- 3 was in the late 1970s, '77-'78, and that EIA is a
- 4 dues-paying member of the American National Standards
- 5 Institute. And I should add again that EIA forwards
- 6 certain standards developed by EIA sectors to ANSI, or
- 7 at least did during this period of time, for adoption
- 8 as American national standards.
- 9 Q. Is JEDEC separately accredited by ANSI?
- 10 A. No, and again, during the period of the early
- 11 to mid-1990s, the only other sector of EIA -- the only
- 12 sector of EIA, I should say, that was separately
- 13 accredited was the Telecommunications Industry
- 14 Association. All of EIA's other sectors operated under
- the EIA ANSI accreditation, including JEDEC.
- 16 Q. Does ANSI, to your knowledge, only accredit
- 17 standards organizations that like EIA and JEDEC deal
- 18 with high-tech industries?
- 19 A. No, sir.
- Q. Now, going back to -- I'm sorry, excuse me,
- 21 Your Honor.
- Going back to CX-353, again, your -- the first
- page of which is your March 29, 1994 memo to Ken
- McGhee, and as we pointed out on the second paragraph,
- 25 you refer there to the ANSI -- or rather, to the

1 guidelines for the implementation of the ANSI patent

- 2 policy.
- What was your reason for referring to those
- 4 guidelines in this memo?
- 5 A. Because the EIA and JEDEC policies at the time
- 6 closely tracked the language of the ANSI policy. I had
- 7 been involved as a member of the ANSI patent policy
- 8 working group in developing the guidelines that are
- 9 referred to here, and I thought they provided insight
- 10 into the proper interpretation of the EIA and JEDEC
- 11 patent policy, which is why I referred to guidelines in
- my memo.
- 13 Q. Were you personally involved in any way in the
- 14 process of developing or drafting the ANSI patent
- 15 policy guidelines?
- 16 A. Yes, sir, I was involved, not from the
- 17 beginning certainly. Mr. Shapiro, my predecessor, had
- 18 been involved in the working group before I came to EIA
- 19 and had been very heavily involved in drafting the
- 20 quidelines. I got involved at a relatively late stage
- 21 in the process, but I participated fairly actively in
- the discussions and the deliberations that led up to
- 23 the final approval of the guidelines by the working
- 24 group.
- 25 And I have been also been involved in a number

of discussions over the ensuing ten years about the

- 2 guidelines and proposed amendments to the guidelines.
- 3 MR. ROYALL: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.
- 5 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Mr. Kelly, I've just handed you a document
- 7 that's been marked for identification as RX-1712.
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Do you recognize this document?
- 10 A. This appears -- well, first of all, I recognize
- 11 the email. This appears to be a printout of an
- 12 email -- I didn't print it out, someone else did -- an
- 13 email that I sent to a number of individuals associated
- 14 with the JEDEC board as a matter of fact.
- Q. Do you recall sending this email in, as the
- date indicates, October 2000?
- 17 A. Not clearly, but I know I did, yes.
- 18 O. And in the first sentence of the email, you
- 19 mention the patent policy guidelines adopted by ANSI.
- 20 Do you see that?
- 21 A. I do.
- Q. And are those the same guidelines that you
- 23 referred to in the prior exhibit, CX-353?
- 24 A. They are.
- 25 Q. And is a copy of the -- these ANSI patent

1 policy guidelines attached to your email, the first

- 2 page of RX-1712?
- 3 A. Actually, it appears that three copies are --
- 4 two copies -- I'm sorry, two copies are attached, one
- 5 in text and one in hypertext.
- 6 O. What do you personally understand to be the
- 7 purpose of the ANSI patent policy guidelines?
- 8 A. The purpose of the ANSI patent policy
- 9 guidelines is to provide guidance to standard
- development organizations and to the members of ANSI as
- 11 to the proper interpretation of the ANSI patent policy.
- 12 O. Let me ask you to turn to page 6 of RX-1712,
- and unlike the CXs, the confusion is that the page
- 14 number's on the left-hand side at the bottom of the
- page as opposed to the right-hand side, but it's page 6
- 16 of 21.
- 17 A. Page 6 of -- I've got it, yes, sir.
- 18 O. And do you see -- well, first of all, is this
- 19 the first page of the ANSI patent policy guidelines?
- 20 You said there were two copies, but of this particular
- 21 copy that's attached --
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. -- this is the first page of the guidelines?
- A. This is the first page.
- 25 O. And do you see at the bottom of that page the

- 1 heading Purpose?
- 2 A. Yes, I do.
- 3 O. And do you understand this to be a statement of
- 4 the purpose of the ANSI patent policy guidelines?
- 5 A. I do, and it's a little bit broader than my
- 6 last answer. It also is -- it says that the purpose is
- 7 to provide guidance to those that participate in the
- 8 standards development process as well as to voluntary
- 9 standards developers.
- 10 Q. Could I ask you to read the first two sentences
- of that statement of purpose appearing on the bottom of
- 12 page 6 of RX-1712?
- 13 A. "These quidelines are intended to assist
- 14 voluntary standards developers, and those that
- participate in the standards development process, in
- 16 understanding and implementing the ANSI Patent Policy
- 17 (the 'Patent Policy' see Exhibit A). Drafted by a task
- 18 force formed by ANSI for the purpose of studying the
- 19 Patent Policy, the Guidelines seek to encourage the
- 20 early disclosure and identification of patents that may
- 21 relate to standards under development, so as to thereby
- 22 promote greater efficiency in standards development
- 23 practices."
- Q. Thank you.
- Now, there was a reference in the language you

1 read to a task force. Was that the same task force

- 2 that you served on?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. In the language you read, it also refers to the
- 5 ANSI patent policy. Is that something distinct from
- 6 the ANSI patent policy quidelines?
- 7 A. It is.
- Q. And is the patent policy itself attached in any
- 9 part of RX-1712?
- 10 A. Yes, sir, the ANSI patent policy itself begins
- 11 on page 10 of 21 of RX-1712.
- 12 O. Do you understand there to be a difference
- between the patent policy and the patent policy
- 14 quidelines?
- 15 A. The guide -- yes, the guidelines are, as the
- name implies, they're guidelines to assist in
- interpreting the policy, so they are distinct.
- 18 O. In the first sentence of the Purpose statement
- 19 on page 6 of RX-1712, the first sentence that you read,
- 20 it says that the guidelines are intended to assist
- 21 voluntary standards developers.
- Do you see that language?
- 23 A. I do, yes.
- Q. What do you understand the term "voluntary
- 25 standards developers to mean?

1 A. It means organizations like EIA and JEDEC and

- 2 the sectors of EIA that develop standards on a
- 3 voluntary basis, as I've testified before.
- 4 Q. The second sentence that you read under the
- 5 heading Purpose states that the ANSI guidelines seek to
- 6 encourage "the early disclosure and identification of
- 7 patents that may relate to standards under
- 8 development."
- 9 Do you -- let me stop there. Do you see that
- 10 language?
- 11 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 12 O. Does the EIA/JEDEC patent policy, as you
- understand it, also seek to encourage the early
- 14 disclosure and identification of patents that may
- relate to standards under development?
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. And in this respect, to your mind as EIA's
- general counsel, is the EIA/JEDEC patent policy
- 19 consistent with the ANSI patent policy guidelines?
- 20 A. It's entirely consistent, yes.
- Q. Now, the same sentence in -- under the heading
- 22 Purpose on page 6 of RX-1712 goes on to suggest that
- encouraging early disclosure of patents promotes
- 24 "greater efficiency in standards development
- 25 practices."

- 1 Do you see that language?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 O. Do you agree with that statement?
- 4 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. How does, to your mind, as EIA's general
- 6 counsel, how does encouraging early disclosure of
- 7 patents promote greater efficiency in standards
- 8 development practices?
- 9 A. Because by -- by encouraging early disclosure
- of patents and obviously in EIA's case also patent
- 11 applications, we get as much information, as I said
- 12 before, as early in the process as possible to allow it
- 13 to move forward expeditiously and efficiently without
- 14 concern about unknown, undisclosed patents that may
- impede the work of the committee.
- Q. Let's go to the top of page 7 of RX-1712. Do
- you see the paragraph beginning, "By definition"?
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 O. Let me read those two sentences.
- 20 "By definition, quidelines are suggestions --
- 21 adherence is not essential for standards developers to
- 22 be found in compliance with ANSI's Patent Policy.
- 23 Rather, this is an effort to identify possible
- 24 procedures that a standards developer may wish to
- 25 adopt, either in whole or in part, for purposes of

- 1 effectively implementing the Patent Policy. Additional
- 2 or different steps may also be selected for such

1 A. No, sir, there is a material difference between

- the ANSI policy and the EIA/JEDEC policy, and that is
- 3 that the EIA/JEDEC policy requires the disclosure of
- 4 patent applications as well as issued patents.
- 5 O. And do you --
- 6 A. ANSI does not -- I'm sorry, ANSI does not make
- 7 that requirement; that is, ANSI does not require as a
- 8 matter of policy the disclosure of patent applications.
- 9 Q. And do you refer to that distinction in your
- 10 email, your October 2000 email that is reprinted on the
- 11 first page of RX-1712?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, in the second paragraph.
- 13 Q. Can you -- can you read the language that
- 14 you're referring to?
- 15 A. "Please keep in mind that while the ANSI and
- JEDEC patent policies are in most respects the same,
- 17 there are a few differences. One of --" it should be
- 18 the -- "major differences is that the ANSI policy does
- 19 not apply to pending patent applications, while the
- 20 JEDEC policy does."
- 21 Q. And how long has it been your understanding --
- 22 strike that.
- 23 How long have you understood that this
- 24 difference between the JEDEC patent policy and the ANSI
- 25 patent policy has existed?

1 A. Certainly since I started working on the ANSI

- 2 patent policy working group in -- probably in late
- 3 1990.
- Q. Do you personally, as EIA general counsel, have
- 5 any understanding as to why, unlike the JEDEC/EIA
- 6 policy, the ANSI policy does not extend to patent
- 7 applications?
- 8 A. Well, I think I testified before why the
- 9 EIA/JEDEC policy does. It's because we're in a high
- 10 technology, fast-moving, fast-paced industry in terms
- of product development and intellectual property, but
- 12 ANSI deals with a number of different industries,
- and -- that's my answer.
- Q. In your mind, is it inconsistent with the ANSI
- patent policy guidelines for JEDEC and EIA to require
- the disclosure of relevant patent applications?
- 17 A. No, based upon the language that I just read,
- 18 and there's also another provision later in the
- 19 guidelines that specifically carves out the possibility
- 20 that a standards development organization may wish to
- 21 at least consider including patent applications as well
- 22 as patents in their patent disclosure policy.
- Q. Let me ask you to turn to page 8 of 21 of
- 24 RX-1712.
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

- Q. Do you see the heading at the top of the page,
- 2 III, Possible Procedures for Implementing the Policy?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- Q. And do you see under that the heading A, Early
- 5 Disclosure of Patent Rights?
- 6 A. I do.

1 A. That's the most significant difference. I

- 2 can't offhand think of any other major differences.
- 3 Q. Has your understanding of the ANSI patent
- 4 policy or your understanding of how ANSI itself
- 5 interprets its patent policy changed in any way in the
- time that you've been EIA general counsel?
- A. Sometime in the last 12 months, yes, sir.
- 8 Q. Can you explain how your understanding of the
- 9 ANSI policy has changed?
- 10 A. In proposed testimony that I saw as a result of
- 11 being a member of the working group, I saw ANSI take a
- 12 position that the word "encourage" as used in the ANSI
- 13 patent policy and patent policy quidelines basically
- 14 means that a patent owner is not required to make
- disclosure of its intellectual property, that
- 16 "encourage" is basically optional as opposed to
- 17 mandatory, and the first -- that is the first time I've
- 18 ever heard that opinion expressed.
- 19 O. And again, where did you first see that opinion
- 20 expressed?
- 21 A. The proposed testimony related to hearings that
- were held last year, joint hearings by the U.S.
- 23 Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission
- 24 on the -- I believe it was the intersection of the
- 25 convergence of intellectual property and antitrust.

- 1 Q. And how is it that you came to see that
- proposed testimony?
- 3 A. As a member of the ANSI patent policy working
- 4 group, a draft was emailed to me, and I reviewed it,
- 5 and I noted the interpretation.
- Q. Who was the author of that proposed testimony?
- 7 A. I'm sure there were several authors. The
- $\,$ 8 testimony was to have been delivered or was R $\,$ anteaanteby No, sirted the interpretation17
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- 1 group.
- Q. Forgive me if I mentioned this already, but who
- 3 is Ms. Marasco?
- 4 A. Ms. Marasco is the general counsel of the
- 5 American National Standards Institute.
- 6 Q. And what, if anything, do you recall saying to
- 7 Ms. Marasco about this issue when you spoke with her?
- 8 A. Well, I had -- I had one or two other points,
- 9 but on this particular issue, I said basically, Amy, I
- 10 don't --
- MR. PERRY: Your Honor, I'm a little late, but
- 12 I object on the grounds of hearsay.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: You object on the grounds of?
- MR. PERRY: Hearsay, and I'm sorry I'm late.
- MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, I'm not asking for
- 16 what Ms. Marasco said to him; I'm asking what he said
- 17 to Ms. Marasco.
- 18 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained on that basis, but I
- 19 don't want him getting into what she referred to him,
- which is the point of your objection, I assume.

1 writing. I'm asking what his recollection -- present

- 2 recollection is of what --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: To the extent that he can -- he
- 4 will be allowed to testify as to his understanding of
- 5 what he had indicated to -- to this individual. I'll
- 6 hear the -- I'll hear the guestion and the answer.
- 7 MR. ROYALL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 8 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 9 Q. What do you recall, if anything, saying to Ms.
- 10 Marasco on this issue; that is, if you have a personal
- 11 recollection of that?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, I do have a personal recollection,
- and I can tell you just my side of the conversation.
- I told her that I had never heard the
- interpretation that was expressed in the draft
- 16 testimony before. I told her that it conveyed a false
- 17 impression that that was also the way ANSI-accredited
- 18 SDOs interpreted their own policies. And that was
- 19 basically what I had to say on that subject.
- 20 Q. Do you have any personal knowledge one way or
- 21 the other as to whether that aspect of Ms. Marasco's
- 22 proposed testimony was clarified?
- 23 A. No, it -- it remained unchanged from the draft
- 24 that I saw.
- 25 O. When you spoke with Ms. Marasco on that

1 issue -- and again, I'm not asking you what she said --

- were you speaking to her in your capacity as JEDEC's
- 3 president or as EIA's general counsel?
- 4 A. Well, primarily I was speaking to her in the
- 5 capacity in which she had contacted me, which is as a
- 6 member of the ANSI patent policy working group. I was
- 7 a member of the ANSI patent policy working group
- 8 because I was EIA general counsel.
- 9 Q. And in contacting her about this issue, did you
- 10 have some concern in mind? Did you have any particular
- 11 concern in mind about that -- the interpretation of
- 12 that language?
- 13 A. The one I just stated. I -- my position was to
- 14 her that ANSI can interpret the patent policy in any
- way that ANSI and she sees fit. She is the ANSI
- 16 general counsel. But as far as it -- as her testimony
- 17 suggested that standard development organizations like
- 18 EIA agreed with that interpretation, I thought that a
- 19 clarification was necessary. She apparently didn't
- 20 agree, because her testimony remained unchanged.
- Q. In describing JEDEC's and EIA's own policies,
- to your knowledge, to your personal knowledge, have
- 23 either of those organizations ever referred to words
- like "encourage" in describing their own policies?
- A. Yes, we have.

- Q. And by using the term "encourage," to your
- 2 knowledge, do EIA or JEDEC mean to convey that
- 3 compliance with the organization's policies is
- 4 optional?
- 5 A. No. As I think I testified earlier, compliance
- 6 with the policy is mandatory. It's not optional. The
- 7 entire process is voluntary, and as a voluntary
- 8 standards development organization, we really don't
- 9 have the power to -- to impose sanctions against
- 10 members who don't comply with the policy --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, he's answered that
- 12 question. I don't need to go back into that again.answered t

- 1 committee.
- Q. Do the rules of either JEDEC or EIA require
- 3 members to search for relevant patents?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. To your knowledge, have EIA or JEDEC ever
- imposed a duty to search on member companies?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Do you have any understanding in your personal
- 9 knowledge as to why JEDEC and EIA do not impose a duty
- 10 to search on their members?
- 11 A. Because it would impose a very heavy burden on
- the participating companies who have individual
- participants at meetings to return after a meeting and
- 14 search their entire company portfolio to determine
- whether or not the company, that is, not the
- individual, whether the company has actual or imputed
- 17 knowledge of anything that may relate to the work of
- 18 the committee. That would -- in the case of a company
- 19 with a large patent portfolio, that would have a
- 20 devastating effect.
- Q. To your mind, is the approach of not imposing a
- duty to search consistent with the ANSI patent policy
- 23 guidelines?
- A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. Do you recall whether there is language in

1 those guidelines that relates to this issue?

- 2 A. I'm sure there is.
- Q. Let me ask you to look at page 8 of 21 of
- 4 RX-1712.
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. Again, under the heading Early Disclosure of
- 7 Patent Rights, do you see that?
- 8 A. I do.
- 9 Q. Do you see the paragraph beginning with the
- words, "This is not"?
- 11 A. Yes.
- Q. Could I ask you to read that paragraph?
- 13 A. "This is not to suggest that a standards
- 14 developer should require any participant in the
- development process to undertake a patent search of its
- own portfolio or of any other."
- 17 Shall I continue?
- 18 O. If you could read the next sentence.
- 19 A. "The objective is to obtain early disclosure
- 20 concerning the existence of patents, where known."
- Q. And is this the language in the patent policy
- 22 quidelines that you were referring to just a moment ago
- in response to my question?
- A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. And what do you understand this language to

- 1 mean?
- 2 A. What I just said, but certainly also it
- 3 makes -- this language makes the point that it would
- 4 impose a great burden on the participant and process as
- 5 well to know all of the patents that may be back at the
- 6 home office, and that -- excuse me, would in turn
- 7 discourage rather than promote the early disclosure of
- 8 patents. That's why the requirement of disclosure --
- 9 the knowledge that's required to trigger the disclosure
- 10 duty is the knowledge of the participant sitting at the
- 11 meeting rather than what may be known back in the IP
- 12 office at company headquarters.
- MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, at this time, before
- 14 moving on, I would offer this document, RX-1712.
- MR. PERRY: No objection.
- 16 JUDGE McGUIRE: So entered.
- 17 (RX Exhibit Number 1712 was admitted into
- 18 evidence.)
- 19 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Mr. Kelly, under the JEDEC/EIA patent policy,
- 21 which member companies have a duty to disclose relevant
- 22 patents?
- 23 A. All participants in the work of the committee
- 24 have a shared responsibility to disclose any
- 25 information of which they have personal knowledge of

1 intellectual property that may relate to the working

- 2 committee. It's not limited to members, it's not
- 3 limited to the IP owner. It's across the board.
- 4 Q. Is the duty to disclose relevant patents and
- 5 patent applications limited to those companies that
- 6 sponsor presentations within JEDEC or EIA?
- 7 A. No, sir.
- 8 Q. Has it ever been limited in that way?
- 9 A. It has not.
- 10 Q. Is the duty to disclose relevant patents and
- 11 patent applications limited to companies that
- 12 participate in the voting at EIA or JEDEC meetings?
- 13 A. No, sir.
- Q. Has -- to your knowledge, has it ever been
- 15 limited in that way?
- 16 A. It has never been limited in that way.
- 17 Q. Is the duty to disclose relevant patent and
- 18 patent applications limited to companies whose own
- 19 patents or patent applications may relate to the
- 20 standardization work being done by JEDEC or EIA?
- 21 A. No, it's the same answer, sir. It's never been
- 22 limited just to the patent owner. It applies across
- the board to all participants with actual knowledge.
- Q. And by that, do you mean that it would apply in
- 25 a case in which a company had knowledge of some other

- 1 company's relevant patent or patent application?
- 2 A. Not exactly. What my testimony would be, that
- 3 if a participant -- not a company, if a participant had
- 4 actual knowledge of another company's patents or patent
- 5 applications that might be required to comply with the
- 6 work undergoing at committee, then that participant
- 7 would be under a duty to disclose.
- Q. In construing your rules in this way, to
- 9 require disclosure by all participants under these
- 10 circumstances, to your mind, are EIA and JEDEC
- departing from the ANSI patent policy guidelines?
- 12 A. Not at all, no, sir.
- Q. Do you recall whether the ANSI patent policy
- 14 guidelines contain language relating to this issue?
- 15 A. Again, I'm sure they do. I haven't read it
- 16 today, so I can't tell you whether or not it -- where
- 17 it is, but it is -- I believe it is there, yes.
- 18 O. Let's go back to page 8 of RX-1712. Again,
- 19 under the heading Early Disclosure of Patent Rights, do
- 20 you see the paragraph beginning with the words, "A
- 21 standard developer may also"?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Could I ask you to read the first sentence of
- that paragraph?
- 25 A. "A standards developer may also consider taking

- 1 participant would need to disclose the patent number
- and to make a proffer of how the issued patent or the
- 3 patented technology relates to the work of the
- 4 committee.
- 5 Q. When it's a patent application that's subject
- 6 to disclosure within an EIA or JEDEC committee, does
- 7 the member with the disclosure duty have to produce an
- 8 actual copy of the patent application itself?
- 9 A. Absolutely not, no.
- 10 Q. When it's a patent application that's subject
- 11 to disclosure, does the member have to disclose the
- 12 precise wording of the claims in the patent
- 13 application?
- 14 A. No.
- Q. In construing JEDEC's and EIA's rules in that
- 16 way, to your mind, are EIA or JEDEC departing from the
- 17 ANSI patent policy guidelines?
- 18 A. No, sir.
- 19 Q. Do you recall whether the guidelines speak --
- 20 that is, the ANSI patent policy guidelines -- speak to
- 21 that issue?
- 22 A. Again, I believe that they do, but I haven't
- looked at these recently in detail.
- Q. If I could focus your attention again on the
- same page, page 8 of RX-1712, again under the heading

1 Early Disclosure of Patent Rights, do you see the

- 2 paragraph with the words -- beginning with the word
- 3 "Similarly"?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 Q. Could I ask you to read the first two sentences
- 6 of that paragraph?
- 7 A. "Similarly, a standards developer may wish to
- 8 encourage participants to disclose the existence of
- 9 pending U.S. patent applications relating to a standard
- 10 under development. Of course, in such a situation the
- 11 extent of any disclosure may be more circumscribed due
- to the possible need for confidentiality and
- 13 uncertainty as to whether an application will mature
- into a patent and what its claimed scope will
- 15 ultimately be."
- Q. And is that the language of the ANSI patent
- 17 policy guidelines that you were thinking of?
- 18 A. Yes, particularly that second sentence. I know
- 19 I read the first one earlier but not the second. The
- 20 second sentence does capture it, yes, sir.
- Q. Now, what about the suggestion here that
- 22 disclosure relating to patent applications might need
- 23 to be more circumscribed due to the "uncertainty of
- 24 whether an application will mature into a patent and
- 25 what its claimed scope will ultimately be."

- 1 Do you see that language?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Under the JEDEC/EIA patent policy, where such
- 4 uncertainties exist, is a member permitted not to
- 5 disclose an otherwise relevant patent application?
- A. No, sir. They are required to disclose, as I
- 7 said before, as much as they can as early as they can.
- Q. Let's talk for a moment about how precisely the
- 9 duty of disclosure works within the JEDEC and EIA
- 10 patent policies, and let me ask you first, when it
- 11 comes to the basic duty to disclose relevant patents
- 12 and applications, is there -- is there any difference
- in the wording of the JEDEC and the EIA patent
- 14 policies?
- 15 A. The duty to disclose patents and patent
- 16 applications today? Would you mind repeating the
- 17 question? I'm sorry.
- 18 Q. Let me try to focus you in on the period of
- 19 time.
- 20 In the early to mid-1990s, let's say --
- 21 A. Okay.
- Q. -- when it came to the issue of the duty to
- 23 disclose relevant patents and patent applications, was
- there in that time period iod of
- Wn the wording oTjT* 24 f the JEDEC and the EIA patent)olicies?

1 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, I think this is

- 2 cumulative. The documents speak for themselves, and we
- 3 went through them.
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- 5 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 6 O. Let me go back to the issue of potential
- 7 uncertainty relating to whether a patent application
- 8 will issue as a patent and what claims may ultimately
- 9 be approved by the patent office.
- 10 Where such uncertainties may exist, is it
- 11 possible that the "may be required" language in the EIA
- 12 policies and the "might be involved in" standard that
- we saw in the JEDEC policy would be applied
- 14 differently?
- 15 A. I think when you read those language -- when we
- 16 read that language, that is, the language of the EIA
- 17 policy, "may be required," and the language of the
- 18 JEDEC manual, "might be involved," consistent with the
- overall duty of good faith, the result is the same,
- 20 although admittedly the language that JEDEC uses is
- 21 somewhat broader in its scope than the EIA language,
- "might be involved" as opposed to "may be required."
- Q. And you said earlier, I believe, that you
- 24 didn't believe during your tenure as EIA general
- 25 counsel that there had ever been a conflict between the

- 1 EIA and JEDEC policies. Does the difference in the
- 2 language relating to the duty to disclose not in your
- 3 mind create any conflict between the EIA and JEDEC
- 4 patent policies?
- 5 A. No, as I just said, I think it's slightly
- 6 different verbiage. Bottom line, same result.
- 7 Q. Now, in construing the rules in this way
- 8 relating to the duty to disclose, that is, in
- 9 construing those rules in a way that would require
- disclosure in instances in which a patent or patent
- 11 application might be involved in or may be required by
- 12 standard or standards-related work, to your mind, are
- 13 EIA or JEDEC departing from the ANSI patent policy
- 14 quidelines?
- 15 A. No, sir.
- Q. Let me -- do you recall whether the guidelines
- 17 speak to that issue?
- 18 A. Honestly, there, not offhand. I don't know.
- 19 Q. Let me ask you again to refer to the same page,
- 20 page 8 of RX-1712.
- 21 A. Okay.
- Q. Under the heading, again, Early Disclosure of
- 23 Patent Rights, do you see the paragraph beginning with
- the words, "A standards developer"?
- A. Yes, sir.

Q. And I can read it, the first sentence of that

- 2 paragraph.
- 3 "A standards developer may also consider taking
- 4 steps to make it clear that any participant in the
- 5 process -- not just patent holder -- is permitted to
- 6 identify or disclose patents that may be required for
- 7 implementation of standard."
- 8 Do you see that language?
- 9 A. I do.
- 10 Q. Do you have any understanding personally as to
- 11 whether either EIA or JEDEC policy, to the extent that
- those policies also refer to the "may be required"
- 13 standard, derive from or develop based on ANSI's own
- 14 policies?
- 15 A. The "may be required" language that we use in
- 16 connection with the EIA policy clearly derives from
- 17 this. The "might be involved" again has some different
- 18 source that I'm not familiar with. I was not involved
- in drafting that language, but again, bottom line, the
- 20 result is the same.
- Q. Under the EIA/JEDEC patent policy, are there
- 22 some circumstances in which disclosure of relevant
- 23 patents or patent applications is absolutely required
- 24 and other instances in which disclosure of relevant
- 25 patents and patent applications is a more judgmental

- 1 matter?
- 2 A. I know what you're driving at, and this came up
- 3 in a number of my depositions --
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, I'm not sure I do.
- 5 MR. ROYALL: I can restate it if you like.
- 6 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes, could you restate that?
- 7 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, as long as he's
- 8 restating it, could we make clear it's his
- 9 understanding we're talking about?
- MR. ROYALL: Sure.
- 11 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 12 O. Mr. Kelly, in your understanding of the EIA and
- JEDEC patent policies, in instances in which a company
- 14 participating has a relevant patent or patent
- application, are they absolutely required to disclose
- in all instances, or are there -- is there some -- only
- some subset of instances in which they would be
- 18 required or absolutely required to disclose the
- 19 relevant patent or patent applications?
- 20 A. If I understand your question, any time a
- 21 participant has knowledge of relevant intellectual
- 22 property, patent or patent application, that is or may
- 23 be required to comply with the work underway, then that
- 24 participant has an absolute duty to disclose it.
- 25 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, Mr. Royall, it seems to

1 A. Yes, the participant needs to exercise some

- 2 judgment certainly given the fact that the goal is
- 3 early disclosure. It may not be -- you know, there's a
- 4 gray area there where, to put it this way, the standard
- 5 is evolving, their IP may be evolving, and the question
- 6 is, is there a sufficient relationship between the
- 7 IP -- if this is what you're driving at -- the IP and
- 8 the work of the committee to trigger that duty to
- 9 disclose?
- 10 So, there's a -- there's an area of judgment,
- and the area of judgment is probably more apparent
- 12 earlier in the process and less apparent later in the
- 13 process, and in theory -- again, if this is what you're
- 14 driving at, and I thought it was where you were
- 15 going -- at some point when there's an issued patent
- and the work of the committee is complete, the
- 17 judgmental area becomes much narrower, and there may,
- 18 in fact, be very little judgment involved by the
- 19 participant in whether they have sufficient knowledge
- 20 to trigger the duty to disclose.
- 21 But again, the emphasis is on getting as much
- information out as early as possible, and very frankly,
- 23 I don't -- you know, I think that's a -- that's for the
- good of everyone concerned, so I can't see the
- 25 objection to doing that.

1 Q. When you say that judgment is involved in

- 2 complying with the JEDEC/EIA patent policy, by that do
- 3 you mean that members or participants are free not to
- 4 disclose even in instances in which they subjectively
- 5 know or believe that their patents or patent
- 6 applications relate to the committee's work?
- 7 A. No, because again, as I testified to -- this is
- 8 somewhat cumulative -- earlier, that overriding this
- 9 whole process is a duty to act in good faith. So,
- 10 regardless of their subjective beliefs, if those
- 11 beliefs are not held in good faith, then they're in
- 12 violation of the good faith portion of the Legal Guides
- and the overriding principles that govern our
- 14 activities.
- 15 If the -- in good faith, if they cannot say
- that they have enough information to be able to say
- 17 that their technology is or may be required to comply
- 18 with the ongoing work of the committee, then clearly
- 19 they haven't reached that point yet where there's a
- 20 duty to disclose. If, on the other hand, in good faith
- 21 they have reached that point where they can say, yeah,
- I can see that there's enough relationship here that I
- 23 should be disclosing something, then clearly they ought
- 24 to be disclosing.
- 25 O. In the manner in which you understand the

- 1 EIA/JEDEC patent policies to apply, to the extent
- 2 knowledge and belief comes into play, whose knowledge
- 3 or belief is it that matters, the member company or the
- 4 individual participant in the process?

- 1 application?
- 2 A. You mean formal activity in the sense that
- 3 there is a pending proposal or a pending suggestion for
- 4 standardization?
- 5 O. Well, let's -- let's start there.
- 6 A. Okay, no. If there is any suggestion that the
- 7 committee's work should move in a certain direction or
- 8 any information that's presented with that as the -- as
- 9 the intent, then the duty to disclose arises. It's not
- 10 tied to a formal step in the process if that's what
- 11 you're driving at.
- 12 O. Okay, just to be clear, for a duty to disclose
- 13 to arise, is it necessary that the standardization
- 14 process has reached the stage of a final ballot?
- 15 A. Absolutely not.
- Q. For a duty to disclose to arise under JEDEC's
- or EIA's rules, is it necessary that any kind of
- 18 standards-related vote has occurred or has been
- 19 scheduled to occur?
- 20 A. No, sir.
- 21 Q. Are you familiar with the terms "first
- 22 presentation" or "first showing" as they are sometimes
- used in reference to JEDEC's process?
- A. I am aware that JC-42 follows a process that
- 25 includes those procedural steps, yes. I don't know in

- detail what those steps involve, but I know that there
- 2 are steps.
- Q. Well, as you understand the JEDEC/EIA patent
- 4 policy as applied to the activities of that portion of
- 5 JEDEC, for a duty to disclose relevant patents or
- 6 patent applications to arise, does the standards work
- 7 have to have reached the stage of a first presentation
- 8 or first showing?
- 9 A. No, sir, it's a -- again, it's as early as
- 10 possible. It's not tied to any procedural formality in
- 11 the process at all.
- Q. Under JEDEC's and EIA's rules, once a standard
- has been finalized and adopted, do members have a
- 14 continuing duty to disclose patents or patent
- applications relevant to the final standards?
- 16 A. Yes, they do.
- Q. What if the member doesn't learn of the patent

- 1 A. The same information as they would be if they
- were sitting in the room and this was just a general
- 3 suggestion that perhaps the committee should move in
- 4 the direction of a technology early on in the process.
- 5 It's to disclose as much information as possible as
- 6 early as possible. And I won't repeat my prior
- 7 testimony, but that's basically it.
- 8 Q. And do you -- do you have knowledge as to
- 9 whether either EIA's or JEDEC's rules expressly refer
- 10 to this duty to disclose as it relates to already
- 11 adopted standards?
- 12 A. I believe they do, yes.
- Q. If I could ask you to take a look at -- and we

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- 1 point.
- 2 A. I think it's the third bullet.
- 3 O. The third bullet point, I'm sorry.
- 4 Is that the language you had in mind?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. And does that portion of JEDEC's rules to your
- 7 understanding as EIA's general counsel relate to both
- 8 patents and patent applications, or is it limited only
- 9 to patents?
- 10 A. It's patents and patent applications, and I
- 11 think, in fact, earlier in the policy it refers to
- 12 patents -- maybe it doesn't. No, it certainly does
- apply in this context to both of them.
- Q. Now, again, focusing --
- 15 A. I'm sorry, it does. In the first bullet
- there's a reference to "pending or existing patents."
- 17 I'm sorry.
- 18 O. And under the --
- 19 A. I'm skipping bullets.
- 20 Q. Yes, in the third bullet point, the one that we
- were focusing on, does it refer to patent applications?
- 22 A. It doesn't specifically, but again, I think
- that's just simply because it doesn't roll off the
- tongue to say "patent and patent applications" every
- 25 time you mention patents.

- 1 Q. Now, referring again to this same Appendix F,
- 2 now let me ask you to focus on the first bullet point,
- and I'll -- I'll read that one sentence.
- 4 "Committee discussion of pending or existing
- 5 patents is a permissible activity and is encouraged
- 6 when the committee feels that the patented item or
- 7 process represents the best technical basis for a
- 8 standard."
- 9 Do you see that?
- 10 A. I do.
- 11 Q. And what do you understand that language to
- mean?
- 13 A. Again, I think I testified this morning that
- 14 that is the basis on which the committee can consider
- pending or existing patents. Although it may not be

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 described in the EIA Legal Guides was prohibited, was
- 4 it not?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. Do you see any tension between this provision
- 7 in Appendix F of the 21-I manual, CX-208, and the
- 8 prohibition of discussion of future plans in the EIA
- 9 Legal Guides?
- 10 A. No, the future plans, if you want to go back
- and look at those, the future plans that were referred
- 12 to in the EIA Legal Guides are discussions that could
- result in conduct prohibited by the antitrust laws.
- 14 What we're talking about here is a standardization
- 15 activity, and I think since the 1920s and perhaps
- 16 earlier the U.S. Supreme Court has said that properly
- 17 conducted standards activities benefit the consumer --
- 18 benefit the public and the public interest, and I don't
- 19 see that there's any tension there at all. I think
- they happen to be very consistent.
- 21 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, we have been going for
- 22 a while. I do have more material to cover, but if you
- 23 would like to take a break, maybe this would be a time
- 24 to take a break.

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- and while we're on the topic, how much more time do you
- think you're going to have to complete your examination
- 3 on direct?
- 4 MR. ROYALL: I would expect to be finished by
- 5 6:00, no later than 6:00, or I could come back and
- finish up in the morning with a few more questions.
- 7 JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, I want to be sure that
- 8 we're going to conclude with him by the end of the day
- 9 on Thursday. Now, if counsel can give me their
- 10 assurance that that's going to happen, we could go for
- 11 another, you know, hour or so and then cut off for the
- 12 day, as long as -- I don't want to be here at this time
- 13 tomorrow and still have three or four more hours ahead
- 14 of us, so --
- MR. PERRY: Your Honor, if he will give me the
- witness at 10:30 or earlier, we'll be done tomorrow.
- 17 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Mr. Royall, can we
- 18 have that assurance?
- 19 MR. ROYALL: I think that will be fine. I --
- 20 if we start at 9:30 tomorrow --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Yeah, we will start in the
- 22 morning at the same time, 9:30. If we go today until
- 5:00, will that give you time today and then an hour in
- 24 the morning? Or 5:30 if 6goday and (thee)T 15

1 could go potentially to 5:20, 5:30, depending when a

- 2 good stopping point comes, sure.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, let's try to be out of
- 4 here by 20 after 5:00 today so that some of us who have
- 5 to catch our own rides back home can do so, and --
- 6 MR. ROYALL: Okay.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: -- then tomorrow we'll start
- 8 again with you, and then we will -- with the
- 9 expectation that you'll conclude by 10:30 in the
- 10 morning.
- MR. ROYALL: Yes, Your Honor.
- 12 The one thing I would say, just to -- so I can
- 13 make this clear, Mr. Perry said right before the lunch
- 14 break that -- made a reference to possibly calling Mr.
- 15 Kelly back in their case. One thing I would say about
- that is we generally had hoped to avoid having
- 17 witnesses recalled, and in Mr. Kelly's case in
- 18 particular, my understanding is with his work schedule
- 19 and travel schedule in July, he may or may not be
- 20 available.
- 21 So, all I would say is that to the extent
- 22 that -- given obviously the broad nature of my direct,
- 23 given the extent that Mr. Perry can cover whatever
- 24 questions they have of Mr. Kelly in cross examination
- 25 to avoid recalling him, we would certainly appreciate

1 your capacity as EIA's general counsel, but in that

- 2 capacity and based on your own understanding, when a
- 3 member company within EIA or JEDEC has a duty to
- 4 disclose relevant patents or patent applications under
- 5 the rules, can a member avoid the duty to disclose by
- 6 simply withdrawing from the organization?
- A. No, sir. If I understand your question, you're
- 8 asking me if there's an existing duty to disclose, can
- 9 you leave the organization and thereby avoid that duty?
- 10 No.
- 11 O. If a member in that situation were to withdraw
- 12 without disclosing a relevant patent or patent
- application, would it be a violation of the JEDEC/EIA
- 14 patent policy, as you understand the policy?
- 15 A. Well, actually, the violation would occur at
- that time there was knowledge that triggered the duty
- 17 to disclose, and that would have been in your example
- 18 before the withdrawal. So, that was when the violation
- 19 occurred. When there was that combination of knowledge
- 20 coupled with a duty, that's when the disclosure should
- 21 have happened. The withdrawal itself, if it was
- 22 motivated by bad faith, would certainly violate the
- 23 Legal Guides.
- Q. And what portion of the Legal Guides are you
- 25 referring to?

- 1 A. I think it was that section that said you have
- 2 an obligation to act in good faith, that our
- 3 proceedings need to be conducted in good faith.
- 4 O. If a member that had a duty to disclose a
- 5 relevant patent or patent application were to make
- 6 patent-related disclosures at the time of withdrawing,
- 7 what information, if any, would the member need to
- 8 disclose in order to comply with the rules?
- 9 A. The same as if they disclosed prior to that
- 10 time. It's -- the duty would be the same, so it would
- 11 be to disclose enough information to identify the
- technology, either the patent application or the
- patent, and its relationship to the standard, to the
- work of the committee under development.
- Q. Under the JEDEC/EIA patent policy, if a member
- 16 company intends to amend a patent application in a way
- that relates to JEDEC's or EIA's work, would the member
- 18 in that situation have a duty to disclose the future
- intention or future plan to amend as you, as the
- 20 general counsel, would interpret the rules?
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- 1 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, Mr. Kelly has
- 2 explained that he provides the authoritative
- 3 interpretations of the rules and has been posed
- 4 questions by JEDEC members and staff members and
- 5 others, and I'm simply trying to explore his
- 6 understanding of the rules.
- 7 JUDGE McGUIRE: Overruled. Proceed.
- 8 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 9 Q. Mr. Kelly, let me restate the question.
- 10 In your capacity as EIA general counsel and as
- 11 you understand the EIA/JEDEC patent policies, if a
- member company intended to amend a patent application
- in a way that relates to JEDEC's or EIA's work, would
- 14 the member have a duty to disclose its future intention
- or future plan to amend?
- 16 A. Not the future plan, as such, but if their
- 17 present interpretation of their patent was broad enough
- 18 to support future amendments, that -- and the patent
- itself was broad enough to relate to the work of the
- 20 committee, then that triggers the obligation to

- 1 A. The same answer, at the time there was
- 2 knowledge of the relevant IP and its relationship to
- 3 the work of the committee.
- 4 Q. As you understand and apply the rules as EIA's
- 5 general counsel, does the JEDEC/EIA patent policy
- 6 prohibit member companies from amending their pending
- 7 patent applications based on information that they gain
- 8 through attendance of JEDEC or EIA meetings?
- 9 A. No, not absolutely, no.
- 10 Q. Has that issue ever been raised to your
- 11 attention?
- 12 A. It has come up within the last few years, yes.
- MR. ROYALL: May I approach, Your Honor?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.
- 15 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Mr. Kelly, I have just handed you what's been
- 17 marked for identification as CX-2608. Do you recognize
- 18 this document?
- 19 A. Yes, sir, this is a three-page letter that was
- 20 sent to me in February 2001 by Bob Goodman, who was and
- 21 is the chief executive officer of a company called
- 22 Kentron Technologies.
- Q. Do you see the handwriting at the top right
- 24 corner of the first page of CX-2608?
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

1 Q. Do you recognize that handwriting?

- 2 A. I do not.
- O. Does that relate to the issue I asked you about
- 4 a moment ago; that is, the question of whether the
- 5 JEDEC/EIA patent policy prohibits member companies from
- 6 amending their pending patent applications based on
- 7 information gained through attendance of JEDEC or EIA
- 8 meetings?
- 9 A. This is the situation I was referring to that
- 10 came up at the last few years, yes, sir.
- 11 Q. Can you explain very generally what you recall
- 12 about this incident or the nature of the incident?
- 13 A. As I understand it, Kentron Technologies
- 14 disclosed that they had relevant intellectual property
- in connection with the work of the JC-42.5 committee on
- memory modules, and one of the members of that
- 17 committee, who I believe was Desi Rhoden -- we have
- 18 mentioned him before -- asked Kentron to commit that
- 19 they would not amend their patent application, I
- 20 suppose, based upon any information that they learned
- 21 at the committee, and apparently even went further and
- 22 basically asked the company to freeze its pending
- 23 patent so as to -- so as not to amend it in any way
- 24 going forward.
- 25 O. And after receiving this letter from Mr.

- 1 Goodman, did you speak with Mr. Goodman?
- 2 A. I did, by telephone, yes.
- 3 O. And do you recall what you told him?
- 4 A. First of all, I told him that it was
- 5 inappropriate for Mr. Rhoden to put the company on the
- 6 spot at a meeting in that fashion, and I also said I
- 7 disagreed that it was appropriate for Mr. Rhoden to
- 8 assume by his questions that Kentron had engaged in any
- 9 kind of improper or untoward activity.
- 10 Q. Let me ask you to focus on the second page of
- 11 CX-2608.
- 12 A. Certainly.
- 13 Q. And in particular, the fourth bullet point at
- 14 the bottom of the page.
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 O. It states -- it states there, "Kentron believes
- that it was clearly not professional, perhaps not
- 18 ethical, and possibly in violation of the United States
- 19 Patent Law and the JEDEC guidelines for JEDEC senior
- 20 management to attempt to force a member company, in
- 21 front of the rest of the members, to release its claims
- of a yet to be issued patent and to force a member
- company to freeze its claims from any, "underscored,
- 24 "future modification."
- Do you see that language?

- 1 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- Q. First of all, is this your understanding of
- 3 what, in fact, happened in this case?
- 4 A. No, I -- again, based upon my telephone
- 5 conversation with Mr. Goodman and my conversation
- 6 subsequent to receiving this letter with Mr. Rhoden, it
- 7 was unclear what happened factually. What was clear
- 8 was what I indicated to Mr. Goodman in my conversation,
- 9 that Mr. Rhoden should not have put him on the spot or
- 10 assumed by his questions that Kentron had done anything
- improper.
- 12 O. Did Kentron confirm, to your knowledge, that
- 13 they would not amend their patent applications based on
- information learned at JEDEC meetings?
- MR. PERRY: Objection, hearsay.
- 16 THE WITNESS: The letter speaks to that -- I'm
- 17 sorry.
- 18 JUDGE McGUIRE: Just a second.
- 19 Sustained.
- 20 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Not referring to the language in the letter,
- Mr. Kelly, but based on what you understand Mr. Goodman
- to have conveyed to you in your phone conversation, do
- you recall one way or the other whether he confirmed
- 25 that Kentron did not intend to amend its patent

1 applications based on information learned at JEDEC

- 2 meetings?
- MR. PERRY: Objection, Your Honor, hearsay.
- 4 The hearsay rule prohibits you from saying here's what
- 5 the other fellow said, even if you preface it with what
- 6 you understand he said during that phone call. I
- 7 just --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained, Mr. Royall.
- 9 MR. ROYALL: I'm asking -- just to be clear,
- 10 I'm asking for his state of mind and his understanding,
- 11 Your Honor. I'm not submitting that what he
- 12 understands reflects the truth. Mr. Kentron (sic) will
- be a witness later in our case and he can testify as to
- 14 that.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, I have ruled on the
- objection. It's sustained. Now, if you can phrase it
- some other way, you can have that chance.
- 18 MR. ROYALL: Okay, thank you, Your Honor.
- 19 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 20 Q. Let me ask you, Mr. Kelly, to focus on the
- 21 first bullet point on the same page, page 2 of CX-2608.
- 22 Do you see that?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And that language states, "Kentron firmly
- 25 believes that taking information learned after the fact

- 1 from any association's activities and incorporating
- 2 that information into existing claims of a pending
- 3 patent is not only unethical but also illegal. Kentron
- 4 has not done this and will not do this." The last
- 5 sentence beginning with "Kentron" is underscored.
- 6 Do you see that language?
- 7 A. Yes, I do.
- 8 Q. Do you recall whether when you spoke with Mr.
- 9 Goodman after receiving this letter whether you -- I'm
- 10 not asking for what he said -- but whether you
- 11 commented on that language in his letter?
- 12 A. At that time, not specifically, I do not recall
- if I commented about it. Again, I was -- I was more
- 14 focused on the propriety of Mr. Rhoden's behavior than
- on Kentron's position.
- Q. After receiving Mr. Goodman's letter, do you
- 17 recall whether you responded in writing to his letter?
- 18 A. I know I did, yes.
- 19 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, may I approach?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. I've just handed you, Mr. Kelly, what's been
- 24 marked for identification as CX-2610.
- A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. Do you recognize this document?
- 2 A. This is the letter I referred to just a moment
- 3 ago that I wrote in response to my conversation with
- 4 Mr. Goodman and his letter.
- 5 O. And if I could focus your attention on -- to
- 6 the language at the bottom of the second paragraph of
- 7 the letter, do you see the sentence beginning "Nor"?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. And that sentence reads, "Nor does JEDEC have
- 10 any reason to believe that Kentron has violated JEDEC's
- 11 rules and procedures or otherwise acted improperly in
- 12 connection with its participation in the JC-42.5
- 13 Committee."
- Do you see that language?
- 15 A. I do, yes, sir.
- Q. Now, when you made that statement in this April
- 17 27, 2001 letter to Mr. Goodman, was that statement
- 18 predicated on any understanding in your own mind as to
- 19 whether Kentron intended to amend patent applications
- 20 based on information learned at JEDEC meetings?
- 21 A. My understanding was that they were committed
- 22 not to make amendments based upon any information first
- learned at JEDEC meetings.
- Q. If Kentron had been doing that, that is, if it
- 25 had been attending JEDEC meetings and amending its

- 1 patent applications based on information first learned
- 2 at JEDEC meetiYharned

- 1 right?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 Q. Is JEDEC equally insistent upon written
- 4 communications when it comes to the disclosure aspect
- of JEDEC's patent policy as opposed to the licensing
- 6 assurances part of the policy?
- 7 A. No, the disclosure can be made live, in real
- 8 time, on the spot and should be, wherever possible.
- 9 Q. So, if a company has a patent or patent
- 10 application that is subject to disclosure, as you
- 11 understand the policy as EIA's general counsel, can
- that company fully comply with its disclosure
- obligation by providing an oral explanation to the
- 14 relevant EIA or JEDEC committee?
- 15 A. If the explanation includes identification of
- the technology and how it relates to the work of
- 17 committee, yes.
- 18 O. And again, as you understand the policies, why
- is it that JEDEC and EIA, by contrast to the licensing
- 20 assurances which are required to be in writing, does
- 21 not insist upon written communication when it comes to
- 22 patent-related disclosures?
- A. Well, there are a couple of reasons, if I can.
- 24 The first is we're doing everything we can in our
- 25 process to encourage early disclosure, early. That

- 1 means at that moment, if the participant knows that
- 2 they have relevant technology and are comfortable
- 3 revealing it at that moment, they should pop up at that
- 4 moment and say, we have something that may relate to
- 5 the work of the committee.
- 6 We don't want to discourage that by forcing
- 7 them to go back to company headquarters and clearing
- 8 the disclosure. They can make the disclosure on the
- 9 spot and should if it's at all possible.
- 10 As far as the -- as far as the licensing
- 11 assurances go, we want the company -- the commitment of
- the company, not the commitment of the participant, and
- that of necessity requires that there be something in
- 14 writing on company letterhead signed by an official
- 15 with the authority to bind the company.
- 16 Q. In a case in which a member company or their
- 17 participant in an EIA or JEDEC committee orally
- 18 discloses a patent or patent application that is
- 19 relevant to the committee's work and then follows up by
- 20 sending a letter making disclosures in writing, would
- 21 the company or participant in that situation be going
- 22 beyond what JEDEC's and EIA's rules actually require as
- 23 you understand them?
- A. Yes, that would be an extra step.
- 25 Q. And to your knowledge, has that ever happened

- 1 before?
- 2 A. It happens frequently, and ordinarily the
- 3 context in which that happens is there will be an oral
- 4 disclosure at a meeting, followed by a licensing
- 5 assurance letter, which will repeat the disclosure and
- 6 then also include the assurances.
- 7 Q. To be clear, does it often happen that after
- 8 giving an oral disclosure about relevant patents or
- 9 patent applications, that there then is subsequently a
- 10 letter, a written letter giving only that same
- information relative to the disclosure of the patent or
- 12 patent application?
- 13 A. No, the answer to that question is no, there
- 14 would not ordinarily be a repetition of the disclosure
- 15 alone in -- in writing. It would be the disclosure
- 16 plus the assurances.
- 17 O. In instances in which JEDEC's rules or EIA's
- 18 rules have been violated due to late disclosure or
- 19 nondisclosure of relevant patents or applications,
- 20 what, if any, actions can JEDEC or EIA take to address
- 21 the problem?
- 22 A. We can and I can speak with the company
- 23 involved or the company representative. I could I
- 24 suppose send a letter to the company indicating our
- 25 displeasure that they failed to abide by the rules.

1 This all, again, assumes that we detect a violation of

- 2 the rules and the facts are sufficiently clear to
- 3 identify it as such, but assuming those facts, I
- 4 could -- we could write to the company and say we're
- 5 very disappointed in your behavior.
- What we couldn't do is to impose sanctions
- 7 against the company, because -- and I think this is
- 8 probably true throughout EIA, but certainly in JEDEC --
- 9 participation in a JEDEC standard-setting activity
- 10 confers a significant competitive advantage on the
- 11 participants, and were we to act in a way that would
- deny them that competitive advantage, EIA and JEDEC
- would be subject to lawsuits for violation of the
- 14 antitrust laws ourselves.
- So, as a practical matter, there is very little
- we can do other than a slap on the wrist to enforce
- 17 these rules, which again goes to the -- what I've been
- 18 talking about previously, the voluntary nature of the
- 19 whole process.
- 20 O. In an instance in which relevant patents or
- 21 patent applications have not been disclosed and you do
- learn about it and it is sufficiently clear that there
- 23 is a violation of the rules, could JEDEC or EIA respond
- 24 by rescinding the standard that's at issue if, in fact,
- it's been finally adopted?

1 A. Yes, of course. I was referring earlier to

- what we could do with respect to the nondisclosure by
- 3 the participant or by the company.
- In terms of withdrawing the rule -- withdrawing
- 5 the standard, of course we could withdraw the standard.
- 6 O. And to your knowledge, has that ever happened
- 7 before during your tenure with EIA or JEDEC?
- 8 A. Yes, sir, it has.
- 9 Q. And to be clear, when you say it has happened,
- 10 do you mean that a standard that's been finally adopted
- 11 has been rescinded or that there's been some vote to
- 12 do -- to do that?
- 13 A. I'm trying to remember the exact facts, and I
- 14 can't recall if the issue was disclosure or the
- assurances, but a fact came to light after the issuance
- of a standard relating to noncompliance with the patent
- 17 policy, and it may have been the assurance requirement,
- and the standard was withdrawn, yes.
- 19 Q. Was that within JEDEC or some other part of
- 20 EIA?
- 21 A. I believe it was within JEDEC, and I'm trying
- 22 to remember the company. I think it was Micron
- 23 Electronics, and at this moment, I can't remember the
- 24 name of the -- the nature of the standard, but I think
- 25 the company was Micron Electronics.

1 O. Are there circumstances in which rescission of

- 2 a standard in your view as EIA's general counsel would
- 3 not be a practicable method for dealing with this type
- 4 of situation?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 MR. PERRY: No foundation. I think he's about
- 7 to launch into some engineering stuff, and he's a
- 8 lawyer. I don't think there's any foundation for this.
- 9 If I'm wrong, I apologize.
- 10 JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, if you're wrong, I'll let
- 11 you know.
- 12 MR. ROYALL: I had no intention of asking any
- 13 engineering-related questions of the witness.
- 14 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, just a second.
- 15 Overruled.
- 16 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 17 Q. Do you have the question in mind, Mr. Kelly?
- 18 A. Yes, I do, and the issue has come up at least a
- 19 few times of late, within the last two or three years.
- 20 I can recall two specific instances relating to package
- 21 outlines where after the outline was issued, there was
- 22 disclosure that there was relevant IP, and we had to
- 23 consider whether or not we could withdraw the package
- outline, because the industry had already tooled to and
- 25 started manufacturing in accordance with the in this

1 case package outline, and it would have caused enormous

- disruption in the industry to have withdrawn an
- 3 existing outline.
- Q. And what, if anything, was the result in that
- 5 instance?
- A. Let me think, it's been a while.
- 7 In the first case, notwithstanding the
- 8 disruption, we withdrew the outline, and we gave -- I'm
- 9 trying to remember exactly the details of it, and I
- 10 can't frankly, because I haven't really thought about
- 11 it since until this moment.
- 12 The next case is still under review, and there
- 13 the facts are less than clear, because there's a debate
- 14 between the patent owner and another company as to
- whether or not the patent is, in fact, related to the
- 16 outline.
- 17 Q. And as JEDEC is currently constituted, would
- 18 decisions of that sort be made by the JEDEC board or
- 19 some other committee?
- 20 A. The technical determinations would be made by
- 21 the committee itself, and the legal determination,
- assuming we ever get that far, is made by me.
- Q. In your view as EIA's general counsel, do
- 24 either JEDEC or EIA have an interest in punishing or
- 25 deterring violations of their patent disclosure rules?

- 1 MR. PERRY: Objection, compound.
- 2 MR. ROYALL: I can break it down if you'd like.
- 3 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained. Go ahead.
- 4 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 5 Q. Mr. Kelly, in your position as EIA general
- 6 counsel, do either JEDEC or EIA have an interest in
- 7 deterring violations of the organization's patent
- 8 disclosure rules?
- 9 A. Well, as I said before, other than reprimanding
- 10 the company involved, there's very little we can do
- 11 ourselves to deter violations of the rules. If the
- 12 question is broader than I think -- and I think it is,
- 13 that's the way I understand your question -- we
- 14 definitely have an interest in making sure that
- violations of the rules, when they're detected and
- 16 proved, are dealt with in a way that ensures the
- ongoing integrity of our process, yes.
- 18 O. And from EIA's or JEDEC's standpoint, is the --
- 19 in your view as EIA general counsel, is the potential
- 20 to rescind a standard an adequate means of deterring
- 21 violations of the organization's disclosure rules when
- they occur?
- MR. PERRY: Hypothetical, Your Honor,
- 24 objection.
- MR. ROYALL: Can I respond?

- 1 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- 2 MR. ROYALL: I -- it's -- I don't regard it as
- 3 a hypothetical. I'm asking for his views as EIA's
- 4 general counsel, and again, under Rule 701, he should
- 5 be entitled to elaborate on his views given his
- 6 position.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Well, I know he can testify to
- 8 his personal knowledge, but again, I think you are
- 9 asking him a hypothetical, so sustained.
- 10 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 11 Q. You mentioned earlier, Mr. Kelly, that there's
- 12 a limit to how much JEDEC or EIA can do to punish
- violations of their patent policies. Given that that's
- 14 the case in the manner that you've described, how are
- the organization's rules and the patent laws in
- 16 particular enforced?
- 17 A. Obviously they're enforced through honest, good
- 18 faith, voluntary compliance by the members, which is
- 19 more often -- and the participants, which is more often
- 20 than not the case. And failing in that, then they're
- 21 enforced through civil litigation between the affected
- 22 parties, which has happened more than I would like.
- 23 And finally, they can be enforced by federal regulatory
- 24 agencies like the Federal Trade Commission as well as
- 25 state agencies.

Q. And do you as EIA's general counsel have any

- 2 views regarding the appropriateness of government
- 3 agencies like the FTC pursuing claims based in part on
- 4 allegations that members of your organization have
- 5 violated your organization's rules?
- 6 MR. PERRY: Objection, irrelevant, calls for
- 7 opinion, calls for speculation.
- 9 MR. ROYALL: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 10 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- 11 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 12 O. Mr. Kelly, I've just handed you what's been
- marked for identification as RX-669. Do you recognize
- 14 this document?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. And can you explain what it is?
- 17 A. This is a document that was prepared by Dan
- 18 Bart and the outside counsel for the Telecommunications
- 19 Industry Association, Mr. Paul Vishny, which I also
- 20 reviewed, and my name appears along with theirs on the
- 21 last page. It -- these are comments which we filed
- with the Federal Trade Commission in 1996 on the
- proposed consent decree in the Dell Computer case.
- Q. Did you write this letter?
- 25 A. No, sir. I may -- I may have made minor --

- 1 very minor changes in it, but I did not compose it, no.
- Q. And what did you understand to be the purpose
- 3 of this letter?
- 4 A. The purpose of this letter was to express the
- 5 support of the Electronic Industries Association, for
- 6 which I was responsible, and the Telecommunications
- 7 Industry Association, for which Mr. Bart and Mr. Vishny
- 8 were responsible, with respect to the proposed consent
- 9 decree in Dell.
- 10 Q. Was this letter written specifically on behalf
- of JEDEC?
- 12 A. No, it was not. It was written on behalf of --
- again, by Mr. Bart on behalf of EIA and TIA and
- 14 reviewed by me on behalf of EIA.

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Now, in that sentence, how do you understand or
- 3 could you explain how you understand the term
- 4 "essential patents" or what you understand that to
- 5 refer to?
- A. Yes, "essential patents" is a term that is used
- 7 in the TIA intellectual property rules, and the way I
- 8 interpret it, since this is a letter from both
- 9 organizations, which are both separately incorporated,
- separately accredited, is the way I've testified
- 11 earlier; that is, patents that are -- patents or patent
- 12 applications that are or may be required.
- 13 O. And in the same sentence, what do you
- 14 understand the term "voluntary consensus standards" to
- 15 mean?
- 16 A. Again, without being overly repetitious,
- 17 voluntary means voluntary in terms of the participation
- 18 of companies in the process and their compliance with
- 19 the standard that issues at the end of the process.
- 20 Consensus means that the standards are based upon an
- 21 industry consensus to move forward with the
- 22 promulgation of the standard.
- 23 O. Just below that sentence, do you see the
- 24 heading Allowing Patented Technology and Standards is
- 25 Pro-Competitive?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 O. What do you understand this statement to mean
- 3 in the context in which this January 1996 letter used
- 4 those words?
- 5 A. Under the conditions that I addressed earlier,
- 6 that is, when the patented technology is disclosed,
- 7 it's disclosed early, and the licensing assurances have
- 8 been provided, and it represents the best technological
- 9 approach to EIA, including patented technology in
- 10 standards or allowing inclusion can be pro-competitive.
- 11 O. And does that mean that EIA and TIA have a bias
- in favor of using patented technologies as opposed to
- 13 nonpatented technologies?
- 14 A. Only under the conditions I mentioned earlier,
- when it's the best technological approach subject to
- 16 compliance with the patent policy.
- Q. Turning to the next page of the letter, page 3
- of 5 of RX-669, do you see the first full paragraph
- 19 beginning with the word "Both"?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And the first sentence of that paragraph
- 22 states, "Both EIA and TIA encourage the early,
- voluntary disclosure of patents that relate to the
- 24 standards in work."
- 25 Do you see that?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And can you explain what you mean by that
- 3 language, and in particular, if you could explain how
- 4 you understand the term "voluntary" as used in that
- 5 sentence?
- 6 A. Voluntary disclosure, as I think I testified
- 7 this morning, refers to the disclosure in the context
- 8 of a process that is from first to last voluntary. It
- 9 does not mean optional or elective. It means that in
- 10 the context of a voluntary standard-setting activity,
- 11 the disclosure is in this context voluntary.
- Q. Below that, do you see the heading The Dell
- 13 Proposed Consent Decree?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 Q. And in the second sentence below that heading,
- 16 the letter states, "EIA and TIA strongly agree that the
- 17 FTC must limit application of the Dell rule to cases
- 18 involving actual knowledge of the existence of a patent
- 19 and intentional failure to disclose the patent
- 20 interest."
- Do you see that sentence?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you personally agree with that statement
- 24 when this letter was written in 1996?
- 25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Do you continue to agree with that position

- 2 today?
- 3 A. Yes, I do, with the one qualification that the
- 4 patent in my mind in the EIA's rules meant patents and
- 5 patent applications.
- 6 O. The next sentence in the same paragraph states,
- 7 "Extending Dell to situations involving negligent
- 8 failure to disclose or imputed knowledge ('should have
- 9 known') of the existence of a patent interest would
- 10 have a profound chilling effect on companies that
- 11 participate in the process of voluntary standards
- 12 development."
- Do you see that?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Did you personally agree with that statement
- when this letter was written in 1996?
- 17 A. I personally agreed with the part relating to
- 18 negligent failure. I was a little less convinced that
- 19 imputed knowledge should be written out of the
- 20 equation, and -- let me answer it that way.
- Q. So, you had some disagreement with this
- language at the time it was written?
- 23 A. I had some reservation about imputed knowledge,
- 24 and I may have discussed that with Mr. Bart at the
- 25 time, but again, we were writing on behalf of two

- 1 organizations with slightly different phraseology,
- 2 slightly different views, so I went along with the
- 3 statement on imputed knowledge, and frankly, up until
- 4 that point, I'm not sure that there ever had been a
- 5 case in which imputed knowledge was an issue.
- 6 O. Finally, let me ask you to turn to page 5 of
- 7 RX-669 under the heading Conclusion.
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Do you see the language under the heading
- 10 Conclusion?
- 11 A. I do.
- 12 Q. The letter states there, "In finalizing the
- 13 proposed Consent Decree, the FTC should indicate that
- 14 the rule of Dell as set forth in the proposed Decree
- 15 will be limited to fact situations such as Dell where
- 16 there is evidence to demonstrate an intent to
- 17 misrepresent. In the standards arena this is referred
- 18 to as the 'snake in the grass' case. FTC policy
- 19 direction should be limited to only such cases."
- 20 Do you see that?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Did you agree with that language when it was
- written in this letter in 1996?
- A. Very strongly, yes.
- 25 Q. Do you continue to agree with that position

- 1 today?
- 2 A. I very strongly do, yes.
- 3 O. And what do you understand the term "snake in
- 4 the grass" to refer to as used in that language in this
- 5 letter?
- 6 A. It refers back to the situation that is alluded
- 7 to in the earlier sentence where there is nondisclosure
- 8 of relevant IP with an intent to misrepresent, and then
- 9 the patent owner at some subsequent date, once the
- 10 technology is included in the standard, decides to
- 11 disclose previously undisclosed claims, hence the
- 12 "snake in the grass" scenario.
- 13 O. And why in your view should FTC limit its
- 14 enforcement actions in this area to snake in the grass
- 15 type cases?
- MR. PERRY: Your Honor, again, we are getting
- into his current opinions about policy issues.
- 18 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- MR. ROYALL: May I respond?
- 20 My only response, Your Honor, is that he was
- 21 asked about these very questions in his deposition by
- 22 Mr. Perry, and I suspect the reason he hasn't objected
- 23 to this document already is that he plans to go into it
- 24 in cross examination.
- 25 JUDGE McGUIRE: I don't think he's qualified to

- 1 talk about FTC policy, so sustained again.
- 2 MR. ROYALL: Okay.
- May I approach, Your Honor?
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.
- 5 BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Mr. Kelly, I've just handed you what's been
- 7 marked for identification as RX-741. Do you recognize
- 8 this document?
- 9 A. I do.
- 10 Q. Can you explain what it is?
- 11 A. This is a copy of a letter that was sent to Mr.
- 12 Bart with a copy to me and Mr. Vishny responding to the
- 13 comments that we filed in January 1996, which I
- 14 previously identified and which has been marked as
- 15 RX-669.
- Q. And were you copied on this letter, RX-741?
- 17 A. Yes, as I indicated before, I was, yes.
- 18 Q. Do you recall receiving this in or around July
- 19 1996?
- 20 A. Not specifically, no.
- Q. Do you recall reading it at any time?
- 22 A. I'm sure I did. I wouldn't have ignored this,
- 23 but I certainly -- I don't have a specific recollection
- 24 today of having reviewed it.
- 25 Q. Have you had a chance to read it more recently?

- 1 A. Yes, I have.
- 2 O. Do you understand this letter to say anything
- 3 inconsistent with Mr. Bart's letter to the FTC that
- 4 your name appeared on, RX-669?
- 5 A. No, I think, as the letter indicates, it's
- 6 basically thanking us for our comments on the proposed
- 7 consent agreement in Dell and repeating essentially the
- 8 same language of the comments that we had sent to the
- 9 FTC and saying thank you very much for sharing your
- 10 views with us.
- 11 Q. Mr. Kelly, do you know which standards
- organization was involved in the Dell matter?
- 13 A. I know it was -- I believe the name was VESA or
- 14 VESA, something like that.
- 15 MR. ROYALL: For the reporter, I believe it's
- 16 spelled V-E-S-A.
- 17 THE REPORTER: Thank you.
- 18 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 19 Q. Do you know anything about that organization?
- 20 A. Only from what I recall from having read the
- 21 Dell consent decree.
- Q. Do you know based on that limited information
- 23 if the organization, VESA, follows rules and procedures
- 24 which differ from EIA's and JEDEC's own rules?
- 25 A. I think they're -- yes, they're different at

least in one respect, but I only ascertained that from

- 2 the order.
- 3 Q. In what respect is that?
- 4 A. That the VESA organization required
- 5 participating companies to sign some kind of a
- 6 disclosure or an assurance in advance in order to be
- 7 able to participate in any activity of their
- 8 standards-setting activity.
- 9 Q. To your knowledge, has JEDEC ever considered
- 10 adopting -- JEDEC or EIA ever considered adopting a
- 11 similar policy?
- 12 A. Frankly, I -- you know, until recently,
- 13 reviewing documents in this case, I had no recollection
- of that, but I understand that there was such an
- occasion where a suggestion of that nature was made
- orally to a staff member. I responded orally to the
- 17 staff member in 1994, and somehow it got recorded.
- MR. ROYALL: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 19 JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.
- BY MR. ROYALL:
- Q. Mr. Kelly, I've just handed you what's been
- 22 marked for identification as RX-486.
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Do you recognize this document?
- 25 A. This is the record that I was referring to

- 1 earlier of my oral response to an oral inquiry to
- another member of the staff, Mr. McGhee, by the
- 3 gentleman I referred to this morning in my testimony,
- 4 Jim Townsend.
- 5 O. And when -- if I could focus your attention on
- 6 the first sentence of the letter, RX-486, and this is a
- 7 March 29, 1994 letter, do you see the reference to "our
- 8 legal counsel" in that sentence?
- 9 A. Yes, I do.
- 10 Q. And who do you understand that to be a
- 11 reference to?
- 12 A. That was me.
- 13 Q. So, in this time period, did you have a
- 14 discussion with Mr. McGhee relating to the subject
- 15 matter of this memo?
- 16 A. I'm sure I did, but again, until I reviewed
- 17 this document, I had no recollection of the
- 18 conversation.
- 19 Q. And again, what was the nature of the proposal
- 20 that was being presented for your consideration at this
- 21 time? What do you recall?
- 22 A. As best I can now recall, my memory having been
- 23 refreshed, it is that Mr. Townsend proposed that JEDEC
- obtain in advance from participating companies some
- 25 type of written assurance that if the company had

- 1 relevant intellectual property, it would agree to
- 2 license in advance on reasonable and nondiscriminatory
- 3 terms, and I responded that that wasn't a very good
- 4 idea.
- 5 O. And does this memo, this March 29, 1994 memo
- 6 marked as RX-486, accurately reflect the reasons that
- 7 you explained to Mr. McGhee why you didn't think that
- 8 was a good idea?
- 9 A. Some of them are close to what I said and some
- of them are not so close to what I said, but the
- 11 general spirit of the comments is correct, yes.
- Q. Well, let me walk through the four numbered
- 13 items quickly with you.
- 14 The first one says, "It would have a chilling
- 15 effect at future meetings."
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 O. And was that, indeed, your view, that imposing
- 19 a written verification requirement of the sort that
- 20 we've been discussing would have a chilling effect?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, to ask a company to pledge in advance
- 22 that it will license potentially its entire
- 23 intellectual property portfolio in order -- as a
- 24 precondition to participating in a standards activity
- 25 would very definitely thin the crowd out in the

- 1 standard-setting very quickly.
- Q. And the second item states, "A general
- 3 assurance wouldn't," and it looks like it's written in
- 4 in handwriting be, B-E, "worth that much anyway."
- 5 Do you see that?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And did you express that view as well as to Mr.
- 8 McGhee in explaining why you didn't think a
- 9 verification requirement of this sort would be a good
- 10 idea?
- 11 A. I might have. I can't specifically recall
- 12 that. The only thing I can think is that I might have
- 13 said that anything that broad would probably not be
- 14 honored by the company anyway, but that -- that would
- 15 be the extent to which I would have commented on that
- 16 subject.
- Q. The third item states, "It needs to come from a
- 18 VP or higher within the company -- engineers can't sign
- 19 such documents."
- 20 Do you see that?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Do you recall -- do you recall whether you said
- 23 something along those lines to Mr. McGhee in discussing
- 24 this issue?
- 25 A. This is close. I think I said to him that in

- order for a licensing assurance to be binding on the
- 2 company, even in advance, it needed to be a commitment
- 3 by the company, which meant that senior management --
- 4 someone in senior management would have to agree to the
- 5 assurance, and it certainly wouldn't be in most cases
- 6 the person -- the engineer participating in a technical
- 7 committee meeting.
- Q. And finally, the last item, number 4, reads,
- 9 "It would need to be done at each meeting slowing down
- 10 the business at hand."
- 11 Do you see that?
- 12 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Did you say something along those lines to Mr.
- 14 McGhee in this time period in explaining why you didn't
- think a written assurance requirement or an assurance
- requirement of this sort would be a good idea?
- 17 A. I honestly can't recall number 4 at all, no.
- 18 O. Now, we've discussed today two different
- 19 versions of a JEDEC manual. I believe one, the 21-H
- 20 version, is CX-205, and the 21-I version is CX-208, and
- 21 the latter is the version of the JEDEC manual that I
- believe you testified was adopted in 1993.
- To your knowledge, have there been further
- versions of the JEDEC manual that have been adopted
- 25 since that 21-I manual?

- 1 A. There have been a number, yes, sir.
- 2 O. Have the revisions that have been made to the
- 3 JEDEC manual changed the substance of the patent policy
- 4 in any way, to your knowledge?
- 5 A. No, sir. In fact, after October 1993, I'm
- 6 not -- I don't believe the phraseology changed either,
- the substance or the phraseology.
- 8 MR. ROYALL: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 9 JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.
- 10 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 11 Q. Mr. Kelly, I've just handed you what's been
- marked for identification as RX-2071. Do you recognize
- 13 this document?
- 14 A. This is the most recent revision of the JEDEC
- manual, which is Revision 21-K. This one is designated
- 16 21-L, and the issuance date is July 2002.
- Q. So, is this the version that is currently in
- 18 effect?
- 19 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 20 Q. Let me ask you to turn to page 17, 17 of 27 I
- 21 believe, of RX-2071. This is the page with the heading
- 22 number 5 entitled Voting.
- Do you see that?
- 24 A. I do.
- 25 Q. And do you see the bottom paragraph under that

1 heading that begins with the words, "In order to

- 2 maintain"?
- 3 A. I do.
- 4 Q. The second sentence of that paragraph reads,
- 5 "If a chairperson has a specific company position on a
- 6 topic being discussed, then control of the meeting
- 7 should be turned over to the vice chairperson or other
- 8 less biased member."
- 9 Do you see that language?
- 10 A. Yes, I do.
- 11 Q. To your knowledge, has a rule of this sort
- 12 always existed within JEDEC and EIA, that -- by that I
- mean during your tenure as EIA's general counsel?
- 14 A. I'm not sure if it's been stated in this detail
- or stated this explicitly, but again, this really goes
- 16 back to the Legal Guides, the requirements for acting
- in good faith and acting in such a way so as to not
- 18 violate the antitrust laws. This is directed at
- 19 removing bias from the process, particularly at least
- 20 the chairman.
- Q. Are you aware of any instance in which this
- 22 type of conflict of interest or bias situation has come
- 23 up within either JEDEC or EIA?
- A. I'm aware of allegations such as this that are
- 25 made from time to time, not limited to, you know,

- 1 recently, but over a period of years there have been a
- 2 series of allegations. I don't remember any allegation
- 3 ever being established as being true, but I've heard
- 4 the allegation before, yes. And not just in JEDEC,
- 5 across the entire Electronic Industries Association and
- 6 then subsequently the Alliance.
- 7 Q. Has an issue of that sort ever been raised to
- 8 your attention, to your specific attention?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, that's what I've just identified. Or
- 10 a number of different occasions allegations of this
- 11 nature have been addressed to my attention.
- 12 O. And if a member company did have a concern
- about this type of situation, who would they go to to
- 14 complain or to discuss the issue?
- 15 A. Ultimately, they always come to me, and I don't
- 16 recall any of these issues being nipped in the bud at
- 17 lower levels. They almost invariably get elevated to
- 18 my level.
- 19 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, I would like to offer
- 20 RX-2071 at this time.
- MR. PERRY: No objection.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: So entered.
- 23 (RX Exhibit Number 2071 was admitted into
- evidence.)
- 25 MR. ROYALL: And I'm happy to stop in the next

- 1 ten minutes, is that --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: That would be fine.
- 3 MR. ROYALL: Or perhaps less.
- 4 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 5 O. This version of the JEDEC manual that we've
- 6 been discussing, RX-2071 -- well, I think I've already
- 7 asked you whether this is the current version, so let
- 8 me withdraw that.
- 9 To your knowledge, is there presently any plan
- or effort to revise the JEDEC manual again?
- 11 A. At present, no. No, there is no plan. Again,
- over time, it probably will change, but there is no
- 13 present plan to change it.
- 14 Q. Has there been any discussion within JEDEC
- about making changes to the organization's
- 16 standard-related rules or the patent disclosure rules
- 17 in particular?
- 18 A. No, sir.
- 19 Q. Let me go back, if I could, to an exhibit that
- 20 we discussed earlier, RX-1712, and do you know if you
- 21 have a copy of that in front of you or we can just pull
- 22 it up on the screen. This is the October 2000 email
- that attached the ANSI guidelines.
- A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. In the first paragraph of that email, you

- 1 state, "Attached for your review are the patent policy
- 2 guidelines adopted by the American National Standards
- 3 Institute (ANSI). The guidelines are a good starting
- 4 point for our work on developing -- work of developing
- 5 similar guidelines for JEDEC's use."
- 6 Do you see that?
- 7 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Did this relate to some work being done in this
- 9 time period to revise JEDEC's patent policy?
- 10 A. No, at this particular time, a suggestion had
- 11 been made I think in connection with a strategic
- 12 planning meeting that was going to be held at the JEDEC
- 13 board meeting that year in Hawaii that we consider
- 14 adopting interpretive guidelines similar to the ones
- that ANSI had adopted, not to change the patent policy,
- 16 but to adopt interpretive guidelines.
- 17 Q. The last sentence of that email, which is the
- 18 first page of RX-177N 17hat email, which igtsItive guic l

- 1 outcome, and we didn't.
- 2 MR. ROYALL: May I approach, Your Honor?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Go ahead.
- 4 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 5 BY MR. ROYALL:
- 6 Q. Mr. Kelly, I've just handed you another
- 7 document that's been marked for identification as
- $8 \quad RX-1717.$
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. Do you recognize this document?
- 11 A. I do.
- 12 Q. Can you explain what it is?
- 13 A. These are minutes or notes -- minutes
- 14 probably -- of the strategic planning meeting that I
- 15 referred to that took place in Maui, Hawaii on November
- 16 6, 2000. Yes, sir.
- 17 Q. Were you present for this meeting?
- 18 A. I was present for part of the meeting, the
- 19 first part.
- Q. Did you approve these minutes, RX-1717?
- 21 A. I'm sure I did, because that would have been
- 22 standard operating procedure.
- Q. On the second page of the exhibit, do you see
- 24 at the top of the page heading 2 entitled Set Agenda?
- A. Um-hum, I do.

- Q. And below that, there's a reference to new
- 2 items. Do you see that?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And then below that, the second item states,
- 5 "Strengthen IP position on submarine patents as they
- 6 relate to standards, et cetera."
- 7 Do you see that?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Do you have an understanding of what that
- 10 relates to?
- 11 A. I vaguely recall that someone at the meeting --
- 12 I mean physically at the meeting had suggested that
- that was a subject that we should consider in
- 14 connection with strategic planning, but if you continue
- on, you'll see it was never discussed. It was just
- 16 proposed as a subject for discussion.
- 17 Q. And in case I haven't asked you this already,
- 18 is there any current effort to amend either EIA or
- 19 JEDEC patent policies in any way?
- 20 A. No, and let me try to give you a complete
- 21 answer on this.
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Q. In your personal opinion -- well, strike that.

- 2 You mentioned an appellate ruling. Are you
- 3 referring to the Federal Circuit's ruling in the Rambus
- 4 vs. Infineon case or something else?
- 5 A. No, that's the one I'm referring to.
- 6 O. In your personal opinion as EIA's general
- 7 counsel, do you believe in light of that ruling that
- 8 there is any reason why EIA or JEDEC should amend their
- 9 organization's patent policies in the future?
- 10 A. While these matters are pending before the
- 11 courts, no, and I think that's consistent with what
- 12 I've said earlier. We do not want to do anything that
- will bias or prejudice the process for or against
- 14 anyone. So, as far as I'm concerned, while matters are
- before the courts and before an independent federal
- 16 regulatory agency where they belong, we will take no
- 17 action.
- 18 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, I'm at a convenient
- 19 breaking point. I have very little to go, maybe on the
- 20 order of 30 to 45 minutes, but I'd be happy to do it --
- 21 to start up in the morning and then turn it over to Mr.
- 22 Perry, if that's all right.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Do you have a preference one
- way or the other, Mr. Perry? I am going to suggest
- 25 that we go ahead and at this time take a break for the

1 evening. It's been a pretty long day for everybody,

- and I'm sure certainly for Mr. Kelly. So, why don't we
- 3 take a break, then we'll convene tomorrow at 9:30, and
- 4 then you will be done by 10:30, and hopefully by the
- 5 end of the day tomorrow we'll be out of here and we'll
- 6 be done with this witness to the extent that he's been
- 7 called here at this point in time, okay?
- 8 MR. ROYALL: Yes, thank you very much, Your
- 9 Honor.
- 10 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, hearing adjourned.
- 11 We'll see you in the morning.
- MR. STONE: Have a good evening, Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Thank you.
- 14 (Whereupon, at 5:20 p.m., the hearing was
- 15 adjourned.)

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