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3	JUDGE McGUIRE: This hearing is now in order.
4	Before we I guess get started, any housekeeping
5	items we need to take up this morning?
6	MR. PERRY: Yes, Your Honor. It's a little
7	more serious than housekeeping, I'm afraid. Something

1 chief. They said they would rely upon portions of

- 2 their depositions, and there are a lot of deposition
- 3 transcripts for those gentlemen. Obviously they could
- 4 have called those gentlemen live. They chose not to.
- In mid-April, they gave us their deposition
- 6 designations for those two gentlemen. On April 21 and
- 7 April 28, before the trial began, we gave them our
- 8 counter-designations, and we have those letters here if
- 9 you need to look at them. We did not receive any
- 10 further designations from them until yesterday for
- 11 those two witnesses. We have received designations --
- 12 counter- designations and counter-counter-designations
- on everyone else, long before now.
- 14 When complaint counsel rested their case on
- June 30, they did so with one exception, and rather
- than paraphrasing that, Your Honor, if I could bring up
- 17 that page -- if I could approach?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes. Yeah, I think I recall
- 19 the exception, but let's see that.
- 20 MR. PERRY: Let me just show you the language,
- 21 Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Thank you.
- MR. PERRY: And it's from page 8030 where you
- 24 asked Mr. Oliver, "Does that conclude the presentation
- of your case in chief?" He says, "There's an exception

- of the designations of deposition testimony that we
- 2 will be submitting in written form, "and he says, "We
- 3 are going to be working with respondents on that, and
- 4 we will have those presented by July 9, 10 or 11."
- Now, that was June 30, and that weekend, we did
- 6 receive numerous additional designations, and it was
- 7 our belief and our understanding on which we relied
- 8 that the additional designations and materials that we
- 9 received over that weekend concluded their case in
- 10 chief, and we made decisions about defense strategy as
- 11 a result. We have a right to know what the evidence is
- 12 that the respondent is responding to, because we have a
- 13 right to confront that evidence.
- 14 We also know that on some issues, it was our
- 15 judgment that they hadn't met their burden in their
- 16 case in chief. So, we saw no need to call certain
- 17 witnesses. We made those decisions as well. We cut
- 18 back on witnesses we intended to call, and we cut back
- 19 on the areas of questioning that we used with certain
- 20 witnesses as a result.
- 21 We also were very aware of the case law that
- 22 says that adverse inferences cannot be drawn from a
- 23 party's failure to call a witness if both sides had the
- 24 right to call that witness. So, we made decisions

- 1 That brings us to yesterday, the day before we
- 2 rest, when -- I'm sorry, Your Honor, I am not going to
- 3 make accusations of this conduct, but it was quite

1 between when those were submitted and these were

- 2 submitted.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, now, I'm a little
- 4 confused. Let's be clear as to which ones we're
- 5 talking about and those that are in issue so we'll have
- 6 no ambiguity there.
- 7 MR. PERRY: There are no designations other
- 8 than the Tate/Davidow designations that we received
- 9 yesterday that we're complaining about, because there
- 10 are no designations --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, so I only want to
- hear about those, Mr. Royall. I don't want to hear
- about any other designations. I want to hear about the
- issues between the Tate and -- who's the other one?
- MR. PERRY: Davidow.
- 16 JUDGE McGUIRE: -- Davidow.
- MR. ROYALL: My only point to raising the
- others, as I will be the first to admit -- I only
- 19 learned about this yesterday -- is I'll be the first to
- 20 admit we should have gotten these submissions for Tate
- 21 and Davidow in earlier, and the only point I was making
- 22 is they lagged behind by a couple of weeks behind the
- others, not a couple of months, but a couple of weeks,
- 24 but there is no excuse, we should have gotten these in
- 25 earlier.

1 Now, with respect to -- there have been some

- 2 suggestions here of some strategic conduct on our part.
- 3 Respectfully, Your Honor, I would submit that there's
- 4 absolutely no basis for that here. We can't excuse
- 5 being tardy. We were tardy in getting these, we should
- 6 have gotten them in earlier, but there is nothing
- 7 strategic about it. The fact of the matter is their
- 8 counter-designations to our original designations were
- 9 extremely broad, and our counter-counter-designations
- are broad as well, but it's in response to very broad
- 11 counter-designations on their part, and it's really
- 12 nothing beyond that.
- 13 My understanding is that the lawyer for
- 14 complaint counsel responsible for this, who is not here
- 15 because I think she was literally here all night
- 16 working through these issues, made a proposal last
- 17 night to Mr. Perry to deal with any substantive issues
- 18 if. There's any area where they believe that we have
- 19 gone beyond the scope of their counter-designations, we
- 20 have told them that we are more than happy to work
- 21 through that, and we're more than happy to commit
- 22 whatever resources to working through it tomorrow,
- whatever we need to do. We haven't yet heard of any
- substantive issues yet, and we're happy to work through
- 25 any substantive issues as to scope.

1 Now, as to prejudice, we don't believe that

- 2 there has been any prejudice to Rambus by the fact that
- 3 they received these counter-counter-designations a
- 4 couple weeks later than they received the earlier ones,
- 5 and if -- on the other hand, it would be extremely
- 6 prejudicial to us if these counter-counter-designations
- 7 were stricken. I say that because Rambus has made a
- 8 decision not to call at this trial -- there is -- the
- 9 two witnesses we're talking about, Davidow and Tate,
- 10 are the chairman of the board and their CEO, and for us
- 11 to be denied an ability to have in the record
- 12 counter-counter-designations that are properly within
- the scope would be extremely prejudicial to us.
- 14 We're willing to work it out, to do whatever --
- 15 tomorrow is a dark day, to sort through any issues of
- 16 substance, but to simply strike those counter-
- 17 counter-designations because they are late in arriving
- we think would be highly prejudicial and uncalled for
- 19 under the circumstances.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, thank you, Mr.
- 21 Royall.
- Did you want to comment on anything in
- 23 follow-up?
- MR. STONE: May I, Your Honor?
- We were strategic. We were strategic in

deciding what witnesses to call and what evidence to

- 2 present and what questions to ask, and whether
- 3 complaint counsel says they were or were not strategic,
- 4 we were, and we did rely on Mr. Oliver's statement that
- 5 we would have all their counter-designations or their
- 6 counter-counter-designations by July 12th.
- With all respect to Mr. Royall, I cannot
- 8 believe that he has actually looked at the
- 9 counter-counter-designations to say to this Court that
- 10 they are within the scope of what we did. In putting
- 11 together our case, I think we were within our rights to
- 12 rely on the statements that were made. We did give
- them our last designations for these two witnesses on
- 14 April 28th, and to say now that we should take the day
- 15 after we rest our case to work out issues that we have
- 16 had three months for them to raise with us does
- 17 significantly prejudice our case.
- 18 So, we do ask with respect to these two
- 19 witnesses that you simply bar any counter-
- 20 counter-designations that were not submitted by July
- 21 12th.
- 23 comment, then I'm going to rule.
- MR. ROYALL: Well, again, Your Honor, Mr. Stone
- 25 made the reference to April, but the fact of the matter

- is that the other counter-counter-designations that
- there's been no objection to were received also in
- 3 July, only a couple of weeks earlier than these, and
- 4 there was no objection to those or any prejudice
- 5 claimed.
- 6 The other thing is that this matter has been --
- 7 has been open. It's under -- it's our understanding
- 8 that this matter hasn't been resolved. There's been
- 9 back and forth. And our -- in the rebuttal submission
- 10 that we filed with Your Honor late last week, we had a
- 11 footnote in which we noted that these issues of
- 12 counter-counter-designations had not yet been resolved
- 13 by the parties, and that was simply our reference to
- 14 the unresolved nature of this.
- 15 But the other thing -- the final thing is that
- 16 Mr. Stone says that I'm not aware of the scope issues.
- 17 We have said, if there are any issues of scope that are
- 18 legitimate issues -- and they've failed to identify any
- 19 for us -- we are happy to resolve any of those issues
- 20 and we will commit whatever resources we need to doing
- 21 that.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, let me rule. I have
- 23 heard the arguments in this case. Without ascribing
- 24 any ill intent on behalf of complaint counsel, I am
- 25 going to conclude that these counter-counter-

designations are untimely offered and will be barred

- 2 from this proceeding on the grounds that I believe it
- 3 clearly creates a prejudice to the case of the
- 4 respondents. Counsel, it's just -- you should have had
- 5 this taken care of a long time ago, and now it's too
- 6 late. So, issue resolved.
- 7 Anything else we need to take up?
- 8 MR. PERRY: No, Your Honor.
- 9 MR. STONE: No, Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: I did want to take up one other
- 11 thing. I have also -- I had received from respondent a
- 12 request to take notice of certain issued U.S. patents.
- Does complaint counsel have any opposition to that
- 14 request?
- 15 MR. OLIVER: Your Honor, we're still looking at
- that, and if we could, we would like the opportunity to
- 17 respond in writing. We believe that patents are very
- 18 complicated documents, and we want to have the
- 19 opportunity to look at the case law and determine
- 20 exactly what is appropriate in terms of taking official
- 21 notice of patents.
- 22 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, that's fine. Let me ask
- you, how much time do you need to file your opposition?
- I was hoping to get this resolved by Friday, but it's
- 25 not inherent that we do it by Friday. Just give me an

1 idea as to how soon I can anticipate -- and we could do

- 2 this sometime next week if you feel you need that much
- 3 time.
- 4 MR. OLIVER: In light of our need to prepare a
- 5 rebuttal case, Your Honor, I would appreciate having
- 6 until next week, if we could.
- 7 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, that will be fine.
- 8 MR. OLIVER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Mr. Royall?
- 10 MR. ROYALL: Your Honor, just one other thing,
- and this is something that we were intending to raise
- 12 with Your Honor independent of this issue of
- 13 designations.
- 14 As Mr. Stone just said, they have been
- 15 strategic, and in their strategic choice, they have
- 16 made a decision not to call their CEO --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Now, what issue are we talking
- 18 about now, Mr. Royall?
- 19 MR. ROYALL: This is an issue that we had
- 20 planned to raise with Your Honor independent of
- 21 designations.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, go ahead.
- MR. ROYALL: I am not going to in any way go
- into the issue that you have already ruled on.
- 25 They have made a strategic choice not to call

- 1 their CEO, their president, their chairman of the
- 2 board. Now, when Mr. Perry was speaking, he made some
- 3 reference to the law on adverse inferences, and we
- 4 don't need to argue this issue or resolve this issue
- 5 now. We plan to deal with it in our post-trial briefs,
- 6 but we believe that an adverse issue is appropriate
- 7 here and it's justified in that these witnesses were
- 8 not equally available to us, and the case law will show
- 9 that and that it's proper to infer, adverse to Rambus,
- 10 that if these witnesses would have testified at trial,
- 11 they would have given -- that they would have called
- them if they would have given helpful testimony.
- 13 We will deal with that in our post-trial
- 14 briefs, but there's another issue that this raises.
- 15 Their strategic choice not to call the president of the
- 16 company, the CEO of the company and the chairman of the
- board has deprived us of an ability to cross examine
- 18 these witnesses and an ability to present, through
- 19 their testimony, to ask for the admission of documents
- 20 that relate to those individuals and uniquely to those
- 21 individuals.
- What we have been preparing is a list of
- documents that we would ask be admitted in the record,
- 24 despite the fact that they have strategically chosen
- 25 not to call these witnesses, because we have been

- deprived by that choice of an ability to get these
- documents in the record through any other witness, and
- 3 we have that list. I don't have it available now. We
- 4 were going to present it to Rambus today to see if we
- 5 can work something out, but I don't want there to be
- 6 any suggestion that this is an issue that is in
- 7 response to Your Honor's ruling. This is something we
- 8 have been planning on doing. That's the reason I'm
- 9 mentioning it now.
- 10 If we can work it out with respondents to agree
- 11 to something on admission of these documents, we may

1 they have rested their case with respect to issues they

- 2 could have brought before the Court sooner, and I am
- 3 reminded, as I know complaint counsel are reminded,
- 4 that the FTC's operating manual is quite explicit in
- 5 its direction for complaint counsel.
- 6 It says you should put into your case in chief
- 7 all the evidence on which you think you may bear the
- 8 burden of proof, because you do not know who the
- 9 respondent will call or what evidence they will offer,
- 10 because they're not obligated to offer any, and we -- I
- 11 can say that I'm happy to talk with Mr. Royall about
- 12 his list, but I can also say I think with some
- confidence that our position will be the case we put on
- is a case intended to respond to the evidence that
- 15 complaint counsel offered before they rested, not to
- evidence that they might seek to offer later.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, I am going to ask
- 18 the parties go ahead and confer to the extent that that
- 19 may be productive, and then if complaint counsel
- 20 chooses to raise this issue, you can do so in the form
- 21 of a written motion which you can file sometime in the
- 22 next seven days, and then I'll give respondent adequate
- 23 time to file whatever response that it sees fit on that
- 24 motion, okay?
- MR. ROYALL: Yes, Your Honor.

- 1 MR. STONE: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 2 MR. ROYALL: The only -- did you say seven
- 3 days?
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: Is that adequate time to do it?
- 5 MR. ROYALL: That's more than adequate time.
- 6 The only issue I have is that I assume then the -- for
- 7 this purpose the record will remain open until
- 8 there's --
- JUDGE McGUIRE: For that purpose.
- 10 MR. ROYALL: -- resolution?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Right, for that purpose only.
- MR. ROYALL: All right. Thank you, Your Honor.
- 13 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay. Then at this time, if
- 14 there are no other housekeeping tasks, at this time
- 15 respondent may call its next witness.
- 16 MR. STONE: Thank you, Your Honor. At this
- time we would call Alan Grossmeier.
- 18 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, sir, would you
- 19 please approach the Bench, and you'll be sworn in by
- 20 the court reporter.
- 21 Whereupon--
- 22 ALAN M. GROSSMEIER
- 23 a witness, called for examination, having been first
- 24 duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- JUDGE McGUIRE: If you will have a seat right

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1	there.	
2		DIRECT EXAMINATION
3		BY MR. STONE:
4	Q.	Good morning.
5	A.	Good morning.
6	Q.	Would you state your full name for us, please?
7	A.	Alan Michael Grossmeier.
8	Q.	And Alan is A L A N?
9	A.	That's correct.
10	Q.	And Grossmeier, G R O S S M E I E R?
11	A.	That's correct.
12	Q.	Okay, thank you.
13		And are you here pursuant to a subpoena, Mr.
14	Grossme	ier?
15	A.	Yes, I am.

Q. Have you ever testified in a courtroom before?

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17 A. In a courtroom, yes.

- 1 hard not to interrupt your answers.
- 2 Are you currently employed?
- 3 A. Yes, I am.
- Q. Where are you -- why don't you move the mike
- 5 just a tad closer, if you would.
- 6 Where are you currently employed, Mr.
- 7 Grossmeier?
- 8 A. I'm employed with Cray, Incorporated.
- 9 Q. And what kind of business is Cray, Incorporated
- 10 in?
- 11 A. We build supercomputers.
- 12 Q. And where are you located?
- 13 A. I'm located in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.
- 14 Q. And how long have you worked for Cray?
- 15 A. For -- I have had the same job for 24 years.
- 16 During that time, it was Cray Research, Incorporated
- initially in 1979. In 1995, Silicon Graphics bought
- 18 Cray Research, and I worked in a Cray business unit
- 19 with SGI. In April of 2000, Silicon Graphics sold the
- 20 Cray business unit to Terra Computer in Seattle, and
- 21 they changed their name to Cray, Inc. So, it was
- 22 basically the same job for --
- Q. Same job, different owners?
- A. Same job, different owners.
- Q. Okay. And all the time involved with

- 1 supercomputers?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- Q. What was your position when you first joined
- 4 Cray -- I guess was that in 1979?
- 5 A. 1979, that's correct. I was a component
- 6 engineer.
- 7 O. A component engineer?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. And what sort of responsibilities did you have
- 10 then?
- 11 A. I was responsible for the quality and
- reliability of all of the electronic components that
- were within the Cray supercomputer.
- Q. And have you held the same position as a
- 15 component engineer since 1979?
- 16 A. The same position, different responsibilities.
- 17 For a while I -- the group grew, I was component
- 18 engineering manager until 1989, at which point I was
- 19 requested to be re-assigned as an individual
- 20 contributor and specifically with memory components,
- 21 since they became a significant portion of the cost of
- 22 our systems.
- Q. So, beginning in 1989, what were your
- 24 responsibilities?
- 25 A. It was all memory products used within Cray

- 1 Research.
- Q. And the memory products, do they include DRAM?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. And what's your role within Cray with respect
- 5 to DRAM?
- 6 A. I'm involved in the selection for new products,
- 7 communicating with suppliers on their direction, back
- 8 to our design teams, communicating to the suppliers our
- 9 design teams' desires, dealing with manufacturing
- 10 issues, dealing with field failure issues, basically
- 11 covering from cradle to grave on all memory product
- 12 within the company.
- 0. And who within Cray do you interface with in
- 14 connection with memory products?
- 15 A. Every group within the company. There's
- 16 several design teams, both based in Chippewa Falls and
- in Seattle, dealing with multiple programs. I deal
- 18 with the design engineers, manufacturing engineers,
- 19 purchasers, field service engineers, as well as the
- 20 supply base.
- Q. Before you joined Cray in 1979, were you
- 22 employed full-time?
- 23 A. Yes, I was.
- Q. Where were you employed before Cray?
- 25 A. I was employed at Honeywell in Mesin Mesin Mesin MesindM

1 O. And then were you in a similar position there?

- 2 A. I was a semiconductor process engineer there
- 3 working on CMOS, CCD devices.
- 4 Q. And were you employed prior to Honeywell?
- 5 A. Yes, at Control Data.
- 6 Q. What were your positions at Control Data?
- 7 A. It was the same, semiconductor process
- 8 engineer.
- 9 Q. And when did you first start with Control Data?
- 10 A. 1974.
- 11 Q. And was that your first full-time employment in
- 12 this industry?
- 13 A. In this industry, yes.
- Q. Okay. Are you familiar with JEDEC?
- 15 A. Yes, I am.
- Q. Have you attended JEDEC meetings?
- 17 A. Yes, I have.
- 18 Q. When did you first start attending JEDEC
- 19 meetings?
- 20 A. I attended two meetings in 1988 as a guest of
- 21 National Semiconductor and joined as an official member
- 22 in January 1989.
- Q. And you were a member on behalf of Cray?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Why did you start attending JEDEC meetings?

1 A. At that time, we were pursuing large static RAM

- 2 memories for main memory in our systems, and because
- 3 our uniqueness and our packaging required a custom
- 4 package, we found reluctance from the supply base to
- 5 support a custom package, and they suggested that we
- 6 standardize it. So, we began with -- National was one
- of our suppliers that encouraged us. So, National
- 8 invited us to several meetings to get an idea of what
- 9 it is that would take.
- 10 And we subsequently joined -- I joined JC-11,
- 11 which is the mechanical standardization committee, to
- 12 introduce the packages that we were using, and we had a
- 13 unique pin-out that was being promoted by National and
- 14 by Phillips at the time, and they asked for some
- 15 support in JC-42, which is the memory standards
- 16 committee, because it's -- it was termed as a
- 17 revolutionary pin-out rather than evolutionary pin-out,
- 18 and there was some reluctance within the industry to
- 19 make this revolutionary change, so they wanted to -- a
- 20 high-profile user to endorse it at the committee
- 21 meetings.
- Q. So, did you initially start going to just JC-11
- or did you attend other committees as well?
- A. I attended JC-11 and JC-42.
- Q. Okay. And how long -- after you started

1 attending them in January of 1989, how long have you

- 2 continued to attend?
- 3 A. I continued pretty regularly -- I missed a few
- 4 meetings during the time -- except for the calendar
- 5 year 2000, when Cray had just spun out or just been
- 6 sold out of SGI, we had no money, so I did not attend
- 7 any meetings in the year 2000.
- Q. And have you served on the JEDEC Council at any
- 9 point in time?
- 10 A. Yes, I did, in 1989 (sic), I was appointed to
- 11 the board or elected to the board, I'm not sure how I
- got put on the board, but I was on the board of
- 13 directors. Subsequently, in -- when we knew the sale
- was going through at the end of '99 of selling the
- 15 business unit, and Cray was not going to support my
- 16 attendance, Cray, Inc. would not support my attendance
- to the board, so I resigned from the board in December
- 18 of '99.
- 19 Q. And when did you go on the board?
- 20 A. January of 1999.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. February I believe was the meeting date.
- O. Earlier you mentioned that DRAM was
- 24 significant -- a significant item in your product line.
- 25 Do you recall that?

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1 Q. Do you recall whether he gave presentations at

- any JEDEC meetings regarding the patent policy?
- 3 A. Yes, he did.
- 4 MR. OLIVER: Objection, Your Honor, vague as to
- 5 time.
- 6 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- 7 MR. STONE: Certainly.
- 8 BY MR. STONE:
- 9 Q. Let me limit you for purposes of my questions
- about the JEDEC patent policy, Mr. Grossmeier, to 1991
- 11 through 1996. Can we do that?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 0. During the time period 1991 through 1996, do
- 14 you recall if Mr. Townsend gave any presentations on
- 15 the patent policy?
- 16 A. Yes, he did. I'm not sure when he began them
- in that time frame, but he did give some.
- 18 Q. And in the binder in front of you, if you
- 19 wouldn't mind, there's several documents, and if you
- 20 turn to the last document in the binder, which should
- 21 be marked JX-22, do you have that document in front of
- 22 you?
- 23 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Okay. Do you recognize JX-22?
- 25 A. It's meeting minutes from a meeting on December

- 1 7th, '94 in Maui.
- Q. Okay. And if you turn to the second page of
- 3 JX-22, you'll see your name as the fourth one down the
- 4 list?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. Do you recall being in attendance at this
- 7 meeting?
- 8 A. Yes, I do, and I shouldn't have been listed as
- 9 an "other."
- 10 O. You should have been listed as a member?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. Okay. In any event, this would be one of the
- meetings you did attend?
- 14 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 15 Q. Okay. Turn, if you would, to page 3 of JX-22,
- and look, if you would, at item 3 where it says,
- 17 "Patent Presentations." Let me just draw your
- 18 attention -- do you see where it says, "Mr. Townsend
- made a presentation (See Attachment A)"?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And then if you would turn to page 12 of this
- 22 document, and if you'd look at page 12 and you might
- 23 flip and look at page 13 and tell us, if you can, if
- 24 you recognize those two pages.
- 25 A. Yes, these are the slides that were used in his

1 presentations when Jim would present the patent policy

- 2 at the beginning of each of the meetings.
- Q. What was his general practice as you recall it
- 4 during the time period '91 to '96 in terms of how the
- 5 patent policy would be presented?
- 6 A. Typically he would flash these slides, usually
- 7 not long enough to read them, he would just kind of --
- 8 these are the JEDEC patent policy, and don't worry
- 9 about reading them, they will be in the minutes. He
- 10 would flash the -- the first couple slides, and then he
- 11 had a tracking list of -- it was humorously referred to
- 12 as the squealer's list basically.
- 13 Q. Referred to as the squealer's list?
- 14 A. The squealer's list.
- 15 Q. Why was that?
- 16 A. It was started out as companies who had
- 17 knowledge of other firms' patents that may be
- 18 applicable to standards that were being set by JEDEC or
- 19 had been set by JEDEC.
- 20 O. Okay.
- 21 A. Not necessarily the patent holder would divulge
- 22 the information.
- Q. So, one company might disclose patents of
- another company?
- 25 A. That's correct.

1 O. Okay. Look, if you would, at page 14 of JX-22.

- 2 Is that the first page of what you referred to as the
- 3 tracking list?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. Do you recall whether copies of the
- 6 slides were generally or in your recollection during
- 7 the time period '91 to '96 attached to the minutes?
- 8 A. Yes, they were.
- 9 Q. Did Mr. Townsend's presentations inform you in
- any way as to what JEDEC's patent policy was?
- 11 A. He presented the excerpts from the manual on
- 12 what the EIA patent policy was, the EIA -- yes, EIA I
- guess it is, and he informed us that that was the
- 14 patent policy that was being used within JEDEC.
- 15 Q. He informed you that the EIA policy was what
- 16 JEDEC was using?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 O. How in -- were there other sources of
- 19 information that you had that helped you understand the
- 20 JEDEC patent policy during the time period '91 through
- 21 '96 other than these presentations by Mr. Townsend?
- 22 A. Other than I guess -- I don't think there was
- any formal documentation that was presented to the
- 24 committee. There was -- I guess my interpretation was
- 25 based more on how the committee members themselves

1 handled it.

- 1 index of all of the mechanical packages, you got a hard
- 2 copy of whatever that Standard 21 was, the
- 3 mechanical -- or the memory pin-outs.
- I was also on the reliability committee. What
- 5 number was on that one? So, I got a bunch of the
- 6 reliability standards and documents, and all of this
- 7 came as a package. I would believe that maybe this was
- 8 in there. I don't know.
- 9 Q. Okay. During the time period 1991 through
- 10 1996, was your understanding of the JEDEC patent policy
- informed or influenced by this particular manual,
- 12 RX-1211, as far as you can recall?
- 13 A. Not that I can recall. I mean, it didn't
- inform me. It's probably -- if it's a manual for
- organization and procedure, I would guess it influenced
- 16 the committee proceedings.
- Q. Let me ask you to look at one other document in
- 18 the binder, if you wouldiabilihaTahisgoring od bn
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- 1 ordered it and paid for it.
- Q. Do you know whether you ever received a copy of
- 3 CX-208 during the time period '91 through '96?
- 4 A. I don't recall.
- 5 Q. Do you recall whether this particular document
- 6 in any way informed your understanding of the JEDEC
- 7 patent policy?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Okay. Let me ask you about that understanding,
- if I can, Mr. Grossmeier, your understanding of the
- 11 JEDEC patent policy, and I want to ask you about your
- understanding during the time period 1991 to 1996,
- 13 okay?
- What did you understand members were expected
- 15 to disclose to the JEDEC committees during that time
- 16 period?
- 17 A. If a patent could -- if a patent holder had a
- 18 patent that in any way was applicable to a proposed
- 19 standard, they were to disclose that at the time of
- 20 balloting within the committee.
- 21 Q. Now, when you say it was in any way applicable
- to the standard, can you tell us what that means?
- 23 A. There is -- you know, there was numerous
- 24 patents on device technology or device functionality
- 25 that are useful in building a device, in building a

1 certain architecture of a device, but not mandatory to

- 2 build the device, but what they were asking is if
- 3 anyone had any patents that were useful, that may
- 4 infringe on a design that someone else may have is my
- 5 interpretation.
- 6 Q. So, you -- you said there were some process
- 7 patents, for example, that might be useful in
- 8 developing a part.
- 9 A. There's probably thousands of patents that are
- 10 applicable to every device that's built, basically
- 11 semiconductor technology patents that undoubtedly are
- being duplicated by other companies. You can't
- disclose every -- I mean, there would be lists of
- 14 thousands of patents on every standard.
- 15 Q. So, which ones -- when you said that some would
- 16 be infringed, was it expected that ones that would be
- infringed would be disclosed or not?
- 18 MR. OLIVER: Objection, leading.
- 19 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- 20 BY MR. STONE:
- 21 Q. Mr. Grossmeier, when you talked about patents
- 22 that would be infringed, did you have an understanding
- as to whether those patents were expected to be
- 24 disclosed?
- MR. OLIVER: Objection, still leading, Your

- 1 Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- 3 BY MR. STONE:
- 4 Q. With respect to patents that were -- you
- 5 understood to be infringed, did you have an expectation
- one way or the other as to whether those would be
- 7 disclosed?
- 8 A. It was basically up to the member, either the
- 9 patent holder or the -- according to the JEDEC
- 10 guideline, as I understood it, if anyone was aware of a
- 11 patent that may be applicable, they would disclose it
- 12 if another company held it. It was not real clear on
- the definition of what patents should be disclosed.
- 14 Clearly if the sponsor presented information that they
- 15 were developing and patenting, they would disclose it,
- 16 but other parties, it was pretty vague.
- 17 Q. Did you during the time period 1991 through
- 18 1996 have any understanding as to whether members were
- 19 expected to disclose patent applications?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. No, they were not expected --
- 22 A. They were not -- they were not -- no, I did not
- 23 expect that someone would.
- Q. Okay. Let me ask you to look at the tracking
- list that we mentioned earlier, if you could go back to

1 that last tab in your binder, JX-22, and turn back to

- 2 page 14 of that document, if you would.
- 3 Do you have that page handy?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And if you would look down that first page,
- 6 you'll see, oh, a little ways down there's one listed
- for Fujitsu, and it says "pending" beside it.
- 8 A. Yeah.
- 9 Q. In the time period '91 to '96, and I've shown
- 10 you a document from '94 here, did you have an
- 11 understanding of what it meant when it said "pending"
- 12 on the tracking list?
- 13 A. That a patent had been applied for --
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. -- and hadn't been issued yet.
- 16 Q. And did you have an understanding as to why a
- 17 patent that had been applied for would be shown on the
- 18 tracking list?
- 19 A. In this -- in this time frame, there was an
- 20 initiative within the industry to go with a new memory
- 21 package, to get better memory packaging, it was
- vertical packaging, and in this case Fujitsu had a
- 23 proprietary package they were proposing that was a
- V-Pack -- I don't know if it's on here -- and the
- 25 STZip --

Q. I think on my copy it's VSMP, but I'm not sure.

- 2 A. Yeah, it's vertical surface mount package.
- 3 There were also the STZip and the V-Pack, which were
- 4 competing vertical packages. These were all presented
- 5 to JC-11, and one of the nice things about JC-11 is you
- 6 could introduce a proposal as a registration rather
- 7 than a standard. A standard within JEDEC requires
- 8 multiple showings. You could not move it to ballot on
- 9 your first showing. You had to wait for a second
- 10 showing so that the committee could review it.
- 11 In JC-11, you could present as a registration a
- 12 package proposal, as long as you had met the JEDEC
- 13 criteria for -- guidelines in laying out the document
- 14 to describe the package and have mechanical samples of
- 15 it. You couldn't just do vaporware. You had to
- 16 have -- you had to register real stuff. You could
- 17 present this, and it could be balloted immediately as a
- 18 registration.
- 19 Since it was balloting, in these cases mostly
- 20 it was the sponsor that presented these things, they
- 21 would also say we have a patent application on this,
- 22 because they were competing proprietary packaging. We
- voted for VSMP, because that's what we used.
- Q. During the time period 1991 to 1996, do you
- 25 recall patent applications being disclosed other than

with respect to these packaging issues you've just

- 2 described?
- 3 A. No, no.
- 4 Q. And your answer, I'm sorry?
- 5 A. No.
- Q. So, other than in the context of these
- 7 packaging standards, did you have an understanding one
- 8 way or the other as to whether members would disclose
- 9 patent applications in the time period 1991 through
- 10 1996 if they were not the proposer or sponsor of a
- 11 proposal?
- 12 A. No, I don't recall that ever happening.
- 13 O. And did you have an understanding or did you
- 14 have an expectation that people would make those
- 15 disclosures?
- 16 A. No, I didn't.
- 17 Q. Okay. Let me go back to a question of the
- 18 timing. During the time period '91 through '96, when
- 19 did you understand members were expected to make
- 20 disclosures of patents?
- 21 A. At the time of balloting.
- 22 Q. And when you say "balloting," what does that
- 23 mean?
- A. The proposal would be presented to the
- committee as a first showing, would come back at the

1 A. It would be typically voted out of committee --

- 2 if it was not an acclamation of no votes, it would be
- 3 voted out of the committee to be sent to JEDEC Council
- 4 for their review and subsequent Council balloting.
- 5 Q. Okay. And then if patents were disclosed, you
- 6 started to tell us -- and I probably interrupted you --
- 7 if a patent was disclosed at the time of balloting,
- 8 what would then happen?
- 9 A. The patent-holding -- the patent holder would
- 10 be asked to provide a letter to the JEDEC office
- 11 expressing that they would comply with the EIA
- 12 guidelines on accessibility of the patent,
- 13 nondiscriminatory licensing and reasonable terms.
- Q. Okay. And if that letter was received by the
- 15 JEDEC office, then what would happen?
- 16 A. Then the committee would pass the ballot on to
- 17 the Council for their review and approval and
- 18 publishing.
- 19 O. During the time period 1991 to 1996, do you
- 20 recall a ballot ever being held up after a letter had
- 21 been received from the patent holder because anyone in
- the committee thought that the royalty rate was too
- 23 high?
- 24 A. No, no.
- MR. STONE: I have no further questions of Mr.

- 1 Grossmeier. Thank you, Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, thank you.
- 3 Mr. Oliver, any cross examination?
- 4 MR. OLIVER: Yes, Your Honor.
- 5 Could I have just a moment to make sure that
- 6 we're on the same page, Your Honor?
- 7 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sure.
- 8 MR. OLIVER: Thank you.
- 9 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- 10 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 11 BY MR. OLIVER:
- 12 Q. Good morning, Mr. Grossmeier. If you could
- give me just a moment, please.
- 14 Mr. Grossmeier, I'd like to ask you a few
- 15 follow-up questions to the questions that Mr. Stone
- 16 asked, and I would also like to focus on the 1991 to
- 17 1996 time period, please.
- Now, would it be fair to say that from the 1991
- 19 to 1996 time period, JEDEC aimed to create open
- 20 standards?
- 21 A. Yes, yes.
- Q. And you would agree that JEDEC did have a
- 23 patent policy during that time?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, have you heard the term "patent ambush"?

- 1 A. No, I haven't.
- 2 Q. Now, during your time at JEDEC -- and again,
- 3 we're focused on the 1991 to 1996 time period -- you
- 4 heard some discussion involving the WANG litigation.
- 5 Is that right?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 O. Can you please explain your understanding in
- 8 that time period of what the WANG litigation involved?
- 9 A. I wasn't a member of the committee at the time
- 10 that the WANG proposal was approved as a standard, I'm
- 11 not even sure what it was, a 30-pin DIMM or 30-pin --
- it was a small module, small memory module. Apparently
- it was approved as a standard, and after it was
- 14 approved, WANG then came forward and said we have a
- patent on this and were attempting to charge
- 16 unreasonable and discriminatory licensing. They
- 17 didn't -- they did not want to comply with the JEDEC or
- 18 the EIA patent policy is my understanding of what
- 19 happened.
- Q. I'm sorry, excuse me.
- 21 Now, when you heard that discussed in JEDEC, in
- 22 what context was that discussed?
- 23 A. Let's not let it happen again.
- Q. Okay. Now, when you were at JEDEC meetings,
- you also heard discussion of so-called quad CAS

- 1 technology?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- Q. And you're aware that Micron had accused Texas
- 4 Instruments of failing to disclose a patent -- a
- 5 ballot --
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. -- I'm sorry, failing to disclose a patent
- 8 relating to quad CAS technology?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. And would it be fair to say that the JEDEC
- 11 members were rather upset with Texas Instruments about
- 12 that?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And in fact, the committee approved a ballot to
- remove quad CAS from the standard, didn't it?
- 16 A. That's correct.

- 1 saying that some members felt that there was no need
- 2 for TI to disclose, and others thought, you know, that
- 3 they should have. Is that correct?

1 the policy. I think they just elected not to practice

- 2 it. You know, I -- but there was no real reason for
- 3 not.
- 4 JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, Mr. Oliver.
- 5 MR. OLIVER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 6 BY MR. OLIVER:
- 7 Q. Actually, Mr. Grossmeier, perhaps we will
- 8 return to the quad CAS incident in a couple of minutes.
- 9 Would it be fair to say that when you were
- 10 attending JEDEC meetings, that patent issues were not
- 11 necessarily the priority for you?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- 13 O. Would it be fair to say that there were other
- individuals at JEDEC who were more knowledgeable than
- 15 you about the requirements of the JEDEC patent policy?
- 16 A. I would assume so, yeah.
- 17 Q. Would it be fair to say that Mr. John Kelly was
- 18 a more authoritative source with respect to the
- 19 substance of the patent policy?
- 20 A. He was typically the one that was referred to
- 21 if someone had any question about the patent policy.
- 22 Q. And Mr. John Kelly was the general counsel of
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- 1 the second sentence. It begins, "While there is no
- 2 objection in principle, " do you see that?
- A. Yeah, sort of. These are terrible.
- Q. I apologize for the copies. They are very
- 5 difficult to read.
- 6 Are you able to make out that sentence?
- 7 A. "While there is no objection in principle to
- 8 drafting --"
- 9 JUDGE McGUIRE: You know, if you can't read it,
- 10 sir, perhaps counsel could indicate what it does, in
- 11 fact, read. I assume you have had some time to go over
- this, Mr. Oliver, and you know what it says better than
- 13 the witness.
- MR. OLIVER: Yes.
- 15 BY MR. OLIVER:
- 16 Q. Let me just state before I read it that I'm
- 17 particularly interested in the phrase in that sentence
- 18 "existing or pending patented items," and the sentence
- 19 to the extent I can make it out reads, "While there is
- 20 no objection in principle to drafting a proposed
- 21 standard in terms that include the use of an existing
- or pending patented item if it is considered that
- 23 technical reasons justify this approach, committees

1 committee determines that the standard may require the

- 2 use of patented or patentable items, then the committee
- 3 chairperson must also receive a written assurance from
- 4 the organization holding rights to such patents or
- 5 patentable items that a license will be made available
- 6 without compensation to applicants desiring to use the
- 7 license to implement the standard or a written
- 8 assurance that a license will be made available to all
- 9 applicants under reasonable terms and conditions that
- 10 are demonstrably free of unfair discrimination."
- 11 Do you see that sentence?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 O. And I'm particularly interested in the term
- 14 "patented or patentable items" that appears twice in
- 15 that sentence. Again, my question is, at the time that
- 16 you read that, did you have any understanding as to
- 17 whether those terms were being proposed to be added to
- 18 the JEDEC manual?
- 19 MR. STONE: Objection, assumes facts not in
- 20 evidence, that he read it, and lacks foundation.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- BY MR. OLIVER:
- Q. Mr. Grossmeier, I believe you did testify that
- you read the minutes at the time?
- 25 A. Yes.

Q. At the time that you read the minutes, did you

- 2 have any understanding as to whether those terms,
- 3 "patented or patentable items," were being proposed to
- 4 be added to the manual?
- 5 A. I didn't -- I guess I didn't understand what
- 6 this proposal was for, what Attachment -- you know,
- 7 what he had proposed. If it didn't state in the
- 8 minutes that he was proposing this as a change, I would
- 9 have thought it was just some discussion topic.
- 10 Q. Let me direct your attention, if I could, to
- 11 the last sentence in that paragraph. That sentence
- reads, "The term 'patented,' as used in this policy,
- also includes pending patents on items and processes
- 14 under consideration by a committee, subcommittee or
- 15 working group."
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Do you recall seeing that sentence at the time
- 19 that you reviewed these minutes?
- 20 A. I don't recall it. I may have read this, but
- 21 you know, there's a lot of these minutes.
- 22 Q. Let me direct your attention, if I could, under
- the heading 8.3.1 and the first sentence under that
- 24 heading. It reads, "The chairperson must call to the
- 25 attention of the members present the requirements

1 contained in the EIA Legal Guides, and all attention to

- 2 the obligation of all participants to inform the
- 3 Committee of any knowledge they may have of any
- 4 patents, or pending patents, that might be involved in
- 5 the work they are undertaking."
- 6 Do you see that sentence?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Do you recall reading that sentence at the time
- 9 that you reviewed these minutes?
- 10 A. I don't recall reading it, but if I read
- 11 through the whole minutes, I would have. This was a
- 12 few years ago.
- Q. Well, do you recall having any understanding of
- 14 the meaning of that sentence at the time that you read
- 15 these minutes?
- 16 A. Not that I can recall. It's -- I was not real
- 17 concerned about patents and patentable products and
- 18 patent policies in that time frame.
- 19 O. Okay. Would it be fair to say that the
- 20 document that we just looked at did not influence your
- 21 understanding at the time of the JEDEC patent policy?
- 22 A. That's -- yeah, yeah.
- Q. If I could ask you to locate CX-208 in front of
- 24 you -- or actually, I'm sorry, in your binder. This is
- a copy of the JEDEC Manual of Organization and

- 1 Procedure, JEP 21-I.
- 2 A. I've got it.
- Q. Did you have any understanding that the
- 4 language in the page that we were just looking at from
- 5 JX-14, that is, the minutes from December of 1992, that
- 6 a portion of that language made their way into the
- 7 JEDEC manual, 21-I?
- 8 A. I wasn't aware of that, no.
- 9 Q. I'm sorry, you say you were not aware of that?
- 10 A. I was not.
- 11 Q. Okay. And by the way, with respect to the page
- we were just looking at in JX-14, the December 1992
- minutes, I assume that you have no understanding of
- 14 what discussion of that page took place at the December
- 15 1992 meeting?
- 16 A. That's correct. Kevin didn't keep good notes.
- 17 Q. I'm sorry, what was that?
- 18 A. Kevin Warren was -- attended that meeting, and
- 19 he didn't -- that was I think one of the first ones he
- attended, and he didn't keep good notes.
- 21 O. He was the --
- 22 A. Vote tallies, and that was it.
- Q. That was the person attending on behalf of
- 24 Cray?
- 25 A. Yes.

1 MR. OLIVER: May I approach, Your Honor?

- JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- 3 BY MR. OLIVER:
- 4 O. Mr. Grossmeier, I've handed you a document
- 5 marked CX-306. It's a two-page document. The first
- 6 page under the logos has the caption Meeting Attendance
- 7 Roster.
- Now, in the 1991 to 1996 time period, do you
- 9 recall having seen this document?
- 10 A. Either this or something very similar to it,
- 11 yes.
- 12 Q. And this was used as a sign-in sheet at the
- 13 various meetings?
- 14 A. Yes, the attendance roster, right.
- 15 Q. If I could direct your attention to the
- language just above the captions, Name, Status,
- 17 Company, Phone, Fax Number, there is some language
- 18 there in italics. Do you see that?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And if I could direct your attention to the
- 21 last two sentences there, it reads, "Subject involving
- 22 patentable or patented items shall conform to EIA
- 23 Policy (reverse side). Consult the EIA General Counsel
- 24 about any doubtful question."
- Do you see that?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, at the time, did you have an understanding
- of the term "patentable or patented items"?
- 4 A. You know, it was just like with the JC-11 where
- 5 a package would be introduced that was proprietary --
- 6 there was basically a package that I introduced at
- 7 JC-11 that was a proprietary package that probably was
- 8 patentable that we elected not to, but there were cases
- 9 with the vertical surface mounts that apparently they
- 10 felt the need to, that was my interpretation of what --
- 11 because this is a case where it's an immediate
- 12 registration.
- Q. But in any event, the -- the sentence there on
- 14 the sign-in sheet does make a distinction between
- patented items and patentable items, right?
- 16 A. Everything we did was patentable, though. We
- invented things.
- 18 Q. My question, Mr. Grossmeier, is that this
- 19 sign-in sheet does make that distinction, right?
- 20 A. Yes, because everything we did was patentable
- 21 or -- I mean --
- 22 Q. But this statement here does say, "Subjects
- involving patentable or patented items shall conform to
- the EIA Policy," right?
- 25 A. Right.

1 O. And so this sentence is distinguishing between

- 2 patented items, in other words, items that have a
- 3 patent on them, and patentable items, presumably items
- 4 that don't have a patent on them. Is that right?
- 5 A. Which is everything else. I'm not sure what...
- 6 O. And the final sentence reads, "Consult the EIA
- 7 General Counsel about any doubtful question."
- 8 A. Right.
- 9 Q. Again, that was a reference at the time to --
- 10 A. John Kelly.
- 11 Q. -- to Mr. John Kelly?
- 12 Mr. Grossmeier, I would like to take a look at
- 13 a few more meeting minutes, if we could.
- May I approach, Your Honor?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- 16 BY MR. OLIVER:
- 17 Q. Mr. Grossmeier, I've handed you a document
- 18 marked JX-13. These are the JEDEC meeting minutes of
- 19 the JC-42.3 subcommittee of July 1992.
- Now, you were present at this meeting, right?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, I was.
- Q. And if I could ask you to turn, please, to page
- 23 4 --
- 24 A. I quess this is 4. It's cut off in the --
- Q. If you look in the lower right-hand corner,

- 1 sometimes the page number is a bit difficult to read.
- 2 There should also be a Bates number above that, JEDEC
- 3 0014771.
- 4 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And if you look about the middle of that
- 6 page, there's a paragraph number 4, Patent Issues.
- 7 Do you see that?
- 8 A. Yes.

1 O. And then in the text, I'd like to direct your

- 2 attention to the fourth sentence. It reads, "Please
- 3 examine the list and research your company's position
- 4 on patents held or applied for on the items next to
- 5 your company name in the 'Holder' column, and reply
- 6 with the patent number, application number, or letter
- 7 indicating the intent of your company to patent or not
- 8 patent the subject matter."
- 9 Do you see that?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. So, the memorandum that Mr. Townsend showed at
- this July 1992 meeting clearly referred to patents
- 13 applied for, right?
- MR. STONE: Objection, Your Honor, the document
- 15 speaks for itself. Counsel is simply arguing with the
- 16 witness at this point.
- 17 JUDGE McGUIRE: Sustained.
- 18 BY MR. OLIVER:
- 19 O. In any event, that is the document that Mr.
- 20 Townsend showed at that meeting, right?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. By the way, if I could direct your
- 23 attention to the -- towards the end of that sentence,
- 24 "letter indicating the intent of your company to patent
- or not patent the subject matter."

1 Now, at the time, did you understand that to be

- 2 referring to the intent of a company with respect to
- 3 whether it would apply for a patent in the future?
- 4 A. What -- what they were asking for -- my
- 5 understanding of this was what they were asking for is
- 6 this was this patent tracking list. There were a
- 7 number of functions or features or things that were
- 8 believed to be patented by a company, you know, for
- 9 instance, Samsung says auto-precharge was patented by
- 10 AT&T. AT&T wasn't an active participant in JC-42. So,
- 11 what he's asking in this fax, which was sent I would
- 12 guess to AT&T, if you have a patent on it, let us know,
- or are you applying for a patent on this. I thought it
- 14 was addressing these issues that were open on the
- 15 tracking list, not announced disclosures.
- 16 Q. But in any event, Mr. Townsend was asking if
- 17 they had a patent or were applying for a patent. Is
- 18 that right?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 MR. OLIVER: May I approach, Your Honor?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- 22 BY MR. OLIVER:
- Q. Mr. Grossmeier, I've handed you a document
- 24 marked CX-42. These are the meeting minutes of the
- JC-42.3 subcommittee meeting of September 1992. Now,

1 you were not present at this meeting, were you?

- A. No, I don't recall being at Crystal City,
- 3 Virginia.
- Q. But you did receive a copy of the minutes,
- 5 didn't you?
- 6 A. Yeah, I would have received copies of all the
- 7 minutes.
- Q. If I could ask you to turn, please, to page 3,
- 9 and I'd like to direct your attention to paragraph 4,
- 10 patent Issue, and it states, "Chairman Townsend
- 11 reported on the EIA patent policies and showed the
- 12 patent tracking list (See Attachment A)."
- Do you see that?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And then if I could ask you to turn, please, to
- page 13, and you'll see there's a document there with a
- 17 handwritten notation in the upper right-hand corner.
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 O. Attachment A.
- 20 And if I could direct your attention to the
- 21 text towards the bottom of the page, the fourth
- 22 sentence, you'll see a sentence there that also reads,
- 23 "Please examine the list and research your company's
- 24 position on patents held or applied for on the items
- next to your company name in the 'Holder' column, and

1 reply with the patent number, application number, or

- 2 letter indicating the intent of your company to patent
- 3 or not patent the subject matter."
- 4 Now, at the time that you saw these minutes,
- 5 again, did you understand that this was the document
- 6 that Mr. Townsend showed at that meeting?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And by the way, I assume that you have no
- 9 direct knowledge of any discussions that took place at
- 10 that September 1992 meeting concerning the patent
- 11 policy?
- 12 A. No, it's the same thing he did every meeting,
- 13 though, so it's --
- Q. My question is, Mr. Grossmeier, you don't know
- 15 that, do you? You don't know firsthand what was
- 16 discussed at that meeting about the patent policy?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 MR. OLIVER: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 19 JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- 20 THE WITNESS: Looks like I missed a lot.
- 21 BY MR. OLIVER:
- 22 Q. I'm sorry, what was that, Mr. Grossmeier?
- 23 A. I said it looks like I missed a lot of
- 24 meetings.
- Q. Missed more meetings than you had recalled?

- 1 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. I've handed you a document marked JX-18.
- 3 These are the meeting minutes of the December 1993
- 4 JC-42.3 committee meeting, and this again was a meeting
- 5 that you were not at. Is that right?
- 6 A. That's right.
- 7 Q. But again, you received the minutes at the
- 8 time?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. If I could ask you to turn, please, to page 3,
- and you'll see Patent Discussions, "A presentation was
- made on patent policies and the tracking list was
- updated (See Attachment A), " and then if I could ask
- 14 you to turn, please, to page 14. Page 14 has a
- 15 handwritten note in the upper right-hand corner,
- 16 "Attachment A."
- 17 Do you see that?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 O. And I won't take time to slog through this
- 20 document, but you do -- at the time that you received
- 21 these minutes, you understood that this was the
- document that Mr. Townsend showed as part of his patent
- 23 policy description?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And again, the -- you don't have any firsthand

- 1 understanding of any discussions involving the patent
- 2 policy at this December 1993 meeting, do you?
- 3 A. No.
- Q. Were you aware one way or another as to whether
- 5 the quad CAS issue was discussed at this December 1993
- 6 meeting?
- 7 A. It should have been. I mean, I think it was
- 8 on -- I think the ballot to remove it was in that time

- 1 4 -- I'm sorry, I'd like to ask you to turn to page 3,
- 2 please, and if I could direct your attention to the
- 3 paragraph 4 toward the bottom of the page, Patent
- 4 Policies. "This subject was covered in the plenary
- 5 session on December 4. A copy of the presentations is
- 6 shown as Attachment B."
- 7 Do you see that?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Now, do you recall whether you attended that
- 10 plenary session?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. And if I could ask you to turn, please, to page
- 13 12, and you'll see here again a document, if you look
- 14 at the upper right-hand corner, the stamp, it says,
- 15 "Faxed November 30, 1995," and then partly superimposed
- on that is a handwritten note, "Attachment B."
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Now, this was the document that Mr. Townsend
- 19 showed at the plenary session in connection with his
- 20 description of the patent policy. Is that right?
- 21 A. This was his tracking list presentation.
- Q. Okay. But in any event, he did show this
- 23 document as part of his presentationtationtationtationtap04
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- JUDGE McGUIRE: Yes.
- BY MR. OLIVER:
- Q. Mr. Grossmeier, I've handed you a document
- 4 marked JX-19. These are the minutes of the meeting of
- 5 the JC-42.3 subcommittee in March of 1994. Now, you
- 6 were not present at this meeting, were you?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. But again, you did receive a copy of the
- 9 minutes at the time?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. If I could ask you to turn, please, to page 4,
- 12 and if I could direct your attention to paragraph 3 and
- 13 the caption of Patent Policy. It reads, "The patent
- policy is shown as Attachment B."
- 15 Do you see that?
- 16 A. Yes, I can't believe they did this in italics.
- 17 Q. Excuse me?
- 18 A. I can't believe they did this in italics. It
- 19 looks like italics.
- Q. If I could ask you to turn, then, to page 17,
- 21 please. You'll see there's's a document with the
- 22 handwritten note "Attachment B"?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. At the time you saw these minutes, did you
- 25 understand this to be the document that Mr. Townsend

1 presented as part of his discussion of the patent

- 2 policy?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 O. If I could ask you to turn, please, back to
- 5 page 4, now, did you have any understanding as to
- 6 whether the quad CAS incident was discussed again at
- 7 this March 1994 meeting?
- 8 A. There was an ongoing discussion about whether
- 9 or not -- because it was -- it was being used, that
- 10 functionality was being used within the industry, as to
- 11 whether or not there would be a letter from TI to JEDEC
- that would allow us to re-introduce that as a standard,
- and that discussion carried on for quite some time
- 14 after it was removed. So, it's likely it was
- 15 discussed, because this would have been the meeting
- immediately after it was withdrawn.
- Q. Okay, let me direct your attention, if I could,
- 18 towards the bottom of page 4, the paragraph that
- 19 carries over to the top of page 5. It reads,
- 20 "Applicability of patents to use in JEDEC standards was
- 21 discussed. The issue is warning, IBM noted. Failure
- 22 to disclose a patent prevents the Committee from
- 23 considering the standard."
- 24 Then turning to the top of page 5. "The
- committee was asked if the patent policy is clear. The

- 1 committee felt it was clear."
- 2 Do you see that?
- 3 A. Yes. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Now, you were not present for that
- 5 discussion, were you?
- A. If I wasn't at this meeting, I probably wasn't.
- 7 That's correct.
- 8 Q. So, you have no firsthand knowledge of what the
- 9 JEDEC members discussed --
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. -- with respect to the sentence -- the
- 12 paragraph I just read to you?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 MR. OLIVER: I have no further questions, Your
- Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: All right, thank you, Mr.
- 17 Oliver.
- 18 Mr. Stone, any redirect?
- 19 MR. STONE: Yes, briefly, Your Honor, if I
- 20 might.

1 Was the patent tracking list ever -- do you

- 2 recall it ever being sent to Cray or to you as one of
- 3 the addressees on that list?
- 4 A. Not as the -- no, not in the fax distribution.
- 5 It was only accompanied with the minutes.
- 6 Q. Okay. Did you ever -- did you ever
- 7 understand -- let me see if I can just look at one. I
- 8 think that's easier.
- 9 If you have -- do you have CX-42 handy?
- 10 A. Is that in the book or is it --
- 11 Q. Not in the book. It would be in the stack that
- 12 Mr. Oliver showed you.
- 13 A. Yes, got it.
- Q. Okay. And if you would turn to page 13, which
- 15 I think is the first page of the tracking list, in the
- time period '91 to '96 and at the time of this
- 17 particular document, did you have an understanding of
- 18 why the -- well, why the names were listed as
- 19 addressees or CCs on this particular tracking list?
- 20 A. They were either representatives within JEDEC
- 21 of one of the companies that there was some question of
- 22 whether an applicable patent existed or they were
- 23 people that requested to be added to the list.
- Q. Okay. And so far as you recall during '91 to
- 25 '96, did that ever include you or Cray?

- 1 A. No, no.
- Q. Did you ever attend a meeting of JEDEC at which
- 3 the quad CAS was discussed?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And do you recall in connection with a
- 6 discussion of quad CAS if there was ever any statement
- 7 made by IBM as to how they would handle things?
- 8 A. Yes, there was.
- 9 Q. And what do you recall being said by IBM at the
- 10 time about discussion of the TI quad CAS?
- 11 A. That they would not disclose if they had
- 12 patents that may be applicable to JEDEC standards.
- Q. And that's the conversation you referenced
- 14 earlier?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Did -- let me ask you to look at CX-306, if you
- 17 would. That's the sign-in sheet.
- 18 MR. OLIVER: Excuse me, Counsel, if I could
- 19 have just a moment, I guess I do need my documents
- 20 back.
- MR. STONE: Okay, no problem.
- MR. OLIVER: Thank you, Counsel.
- MR. STONE: Sure.
- 24 BY MR. STONE:
- Q. Do you have CX-306, Mr. Grossmeier?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Directing your attention to the language on the
- 3 first page that Mr. Oliver asked you about earlier
- 4 where it says, "Subjects involving patentable or
- 5 patented items shall conform to EIA Policy (reverse
- 6 side)."
- 7 Do you see that?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And then if you would turn to page 2 of CX-306,
- is what we see on page 2 of 306, was this the reverse
- 11 side of the sign-in sheets like this that you recall?
- 12 A. Yes, I believe so.
- 13 Q. And did you ever understand from the contents
- of this document that your -- let me put it
- 15 differently.
- 16 When it says the EIA policy and then it says
- 17 reverse side, when we saw that on the front side, what
- 18 portion of this page 2 or reverse side of the document
- 19 did you understand that to be referring to, if you had
- 20 an understanding at the time?
- 21 A. Probably the last portion that's bracketed by
- 22 the asterisks.
- Q. Where it says, "Reference to Patented Products
- in EIA Standards"?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. Mr. Grossmeier, during the time period '91 to
- 2 '96, do you ever recall at a JEDEC meeting anyone
- 3 saying after a patent had been discussed or disclosed
- 4 that they would have expected it to have been disclosed

1 O. And that their concern was that IBM was so

- 2 large, they couldn't possibly search the whole company
- 3 for applicable standards?
- 4 A. That was their -- what they stated as their
- 5 reason for not complying.
- 6 Q. So, in other words, they said that they could
- 7 not come to JEDEC with a list of all the patents or
- 8 applications that IBM held that would be relevant to a
- 9 standard. Is that right?
- 10 A. Yeah.
- 11 MR. OLIVER: Nothing further, Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, thank you very much, sir,
- 13 for your testimony. You are excused from this
- 14 proceeding.
- 15 THE WITNESS: I don't need to take these with
- 16 me?
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Ah, no, I don't think you want
- 18 to take those with you.
- 19 If I understand, then, Mr. Stone, that
- 20 concludes the presentation of your case in chief?
- 21 MR. STONE: Yes, it does, Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, very good.
- So that we're clear on what we're going to do
- 24 now through the end of the week, it is the Court's
- understanding that the courtroom will be dark on

1 Wednesday, and then starting Thursday, we'll take up

- with complaint counsel's rebuttal case. Is that
- 3 correct, Mr. Oliver?
- 4 MR. OLIVER: That's correct, Your Honor.
- 5 JUDGE McGUIRE: And then who do you intend to
- 6 call again on Thursday?
- 7 MR. OLIVER: On Thursday, we'll be calling Mr.
- 8 Terry Lee and Professor Bruce Jacob.
- 9 JUDGE McGUIRE: Then on Friday?
- 10 MR. OLIVER: On Friday we will be calling
- 11 Professor McAfee.
- 12 JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, very good, we will
- 13 adjourn and take up -- oh, I'm sorry.
- 14 MR. OLIVER: Your Honor, if I could, as I
- 15 mentioned yesterday, Mr. Terry Lee does have a very
- 16 tight schedule, and if I could request the Court's
- indulgence, I would like to start early, if we could.
- 18 JUDGE McGUIRE: What time do you want to start?
- 19 MR. OLIVER: Would it be possible to start at
- 20 8:30?
- 21 JUDGE McGUIRE: That's fine with me.
- 22 Any problems, Mr. Stone?
- MR. STONE: No, that's fine, Your Honor.
- JUDGE McGUIRE: We will start at 8:30 a.m. on
- 25 Thursday.

1	MR. OLIVER: Thank you very much, Your Honor.
2	JUDGE McGUIRE: Okay, we will adjourn until
3	that time.
4	(Whereupon, at 11:05 a.m., the hearing was
5	adjourned.)
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