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	In re: Complaint of IDS Long Distance, Inc.		
5	n/k/a IDS Telcom, L.L.C., Against BellSouth		
	Telecommunications, Inc., and Request for		
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1	THEREUPON:
2	ROBERT HACKER,
3	a witness named in the notice heretofore filed,
4	having been first duly sworn, deposes and says as
5	follows:
6	DIRECT EXAMINATION
7	BY MR. MEZA:
8	Q. Mr. Hacker, my name is Jim Meza. How
9	are you today?
10	A. Fine. Thank you.
11	Q. You may have to speak up a little.
12	MR. MEZA: Mary Anne, we are using a
13	new phone today, so if you have trouble in
14	any way hearing myself or the witness
15	MS. HELTON: We usually don't have
16	problems hearing you. Sometimes it's the
17	witness that we have problems hearing.
18	MR. MEZA: Just for the record, my time
19	is 3:23. According to the agreement that we
20	had, BellSouth had four hours this evening to
21	take and conclude the depositions of
22	Mr. Hacker and Mr. Leiro.
23	Q. Mr. Hacker, have you ever been deposed
24	before?
25	A. No.

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1	Q. Why don't you give us your full name
2	for the record.
3	A. Robert Hilton hacker.
4	Q. And your home address?
5	A.
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7	Q. And your social security number?
8	A.
9	Q. Okay. I ask that whenever I ask you a
10	question, you provide me with a verbal response so
11	that the court reporter can accurately reflect
12	your response. If at any time that you don't
13	understand my question or you need further
14	clarification, please advise me of that, and I'll
15	be sure to accommodate your request.
16	Furthermore, if at any time during this
17	deposition you need to take a break, please let me
18	know and I ll be sure to accommodate you. Okay?
19	A. Yes.
20	Q. What's your educational background,
21	sir, starting with college?
22	A. I have a BA in philosophy from Hamilton
23	College, and I have an MBA from Columbia
24	University Graduate School of Business.

When did you get your BA?

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1 Α. 1973. 2 Ο. And when did you get your MBA? 3 Α. 1981. 4 You state in your direct testimony that Q. 5 you have 28 years of experience in financial 6 positions. Can you briefly summarize those, 7 please. 8 Α. I began my career with the Chase Yes. 9 Manhattan Bank where I worked for five years. Ι 10 worked for Cresap McCormick & Paget, which is a 11 consulting firm now owned by Towers Perrin. 12 I worked for a company called Imtec 13 which is a consulting firm, and I was a vice 14 chairman of the company based in Indonesia called 15 Matahari Putra Prima. I was the CFO of a company 16 in Boca Raton, Florida called Bye Bye Now, and I'm 17 currently the CFO of IDS Telcom. 18 0. How long were you at Cresap? 19 Α. Two years. 20 And what position did you hold? 0. 21 Α. I was a senior consultant. 22 0. And what exactly does that job -- what 23 are your job duties as senior consultant? 24 Α. You first-hand prepare the analysis,

draw the conclusions and present the

1 recommendations on client studies. 2 Q. What type of client studies are you 3 referring to? 4 Α. Client studies included financial 5 modeling, merger and acquisition type analysis, 6 cash flow analysis, organization strategy studies, 7 things of that type. 8 0. Why did you leave that position to go 9 to Imtec? 10 Α. I left that position to go to Columbia 11 Business School, and from Columbia I went to 12 Imtec. 13 Q. Okay. 14 I'm sorry. From Cresap I left to go to 15 Imtec. From Chase I left to go to business 16 school. 17 So why did you leave Cresap to go to Q. 18 Imtec? 19 Α. We started that firm. 20 What was Imtec's business? Ο. 21 We were a consulting firm which Α. 22 principally provided strategic and financial 23 advice to large, multi-billion dollar retailers in

Japan, and we also did licensing of high tech

software and related products.

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1 Q. And what was your position in Imtec? 2 Α. I was the vice president and founder. 3 0. For what years did you hold these 4 positions? 5 1982 to 1990. Α. 6 Q. Did you hold any other position while 7 at Imtec? 8 Α. No. 9 Why did your employment cease at Imtec? Ο. 10 Α. I took a full-time position with 11 Matahari. 12 Q. Prior to taking a full-time position, did you work part time at Matahari? 13 14 Α. I consulted to Matahari. 15 What was your position at Matahari? Q. 16 Α. I was the vice chairman and the CFO. 17 How long did you hold that position? Q. 18 Α. I was the CFO for two years, and I was 19 the vice chairman for one year. 20 Q. Did you reside in the states or in 21 Indonesia? 22 Α. Both. 23 Q. How long were you in Indonesia? 24 `96, `97. Α. 25 And did that correspond with your years Q.

- 1 invited to join the company that provided the 2 capital to Bye Bye Now. We didn't reach terms, so 3 I joined IDS. 4 Q. Which company was that that you were 5 unable to reach terms with? 6 It's a company called IMA. Α. 7 Q. And what was its business? 8 It was a firm that arranged capital for Α. 9 start-up companies. 10 Was there a period of time in which you Ο. 11 were not employed before taking the position at 12 IDS? 13 Α. Approximately a month. 14 Prior to leaving Bye Bye Now, did you Ο. 15 and IDS have any communications regarding 16 employment? 17 Restate the question, please. Α. 18 Q. Prior to leaving Bye Bye Now, did you 19 have any communications with IDS regarding 20 potential employment? 21 Α. No. 22 When was the first time that you had Q. 23 communications with IDS regarding employment?
  - Q. Of what year?

Late September.

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1	A. Of 2000.	
2	Q. Can you describe those communications,	
3	please.	
4	A. The communications between myself and	
5	IDS?	
6	Q. Yes. Who did you contact or who	
7	contacted you?	
8	A. I'm a partner in a company called Tatum	
9	CFO. The communications were initiated through	
10	the area partner for Tatum.	
11	Q. What is Tatum CFO? What is its	
12	business?	
13	A. We are provider of chief financial	
14	officers for part-time interim projects and	
15	full-time engagements.	
16	Q. So would it be fair to say that the	
17	area partner for Tatum CFO notified IDS that you	
18	were a potential employment candidate?	
19	A. Yes.	
20	Q. Okay. Who did you first meet with at	
21	IDS?	
22	A. Joe Millstone.	
23	Q. When was that?	
24	A. Late September.	
25	Q. Prior to potential employment with IDS,	

1 did you have any telecommunications experience? 2 I had represented Compuserve in a 3 licensing agreement in Japan. 4 0. Is it your understanding that 5 Compuserve is a telecommunications company? 6 Α. Yes. 7 How was that? 0. 8 Α. By the fact that they have a 9 significant domestic network which they provide to 10 third parties. 11 0. What do you mean by network? 12 Α. Series of interconnected switches. 13 0. When did you represent Compuserve? 14 Α. Say it again, please. 15 Q. When did you represent Compuserve? 16 Α. Early 1980s. 17 Did Compuserve have these switches that Ο. 18 you were referring to in the early 1980s? 19 Α. Yes. 20 Other than your representation of 0. 21 Compuserve, prior to your employment with IDS, did 22 you have any experience with the 23 telecommunications industry? 24 Α. No.

When were you retained by IDS?

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1		A.	October of 2000.	
2		Q.	When did you leave Bye Bye Now?	
3		A.	August 2000.	
4		Q.	Is that approximately two months?	
5		A.	Month and a half.	
6		Q.	As part of your employment with IDS,	
7	were	you g	iven an ownership interest in Unified	
8	Solut	tions?		
9		A.	No.	
10		Q.	Were you given an ownership interest in	
11	IDS?			
12		A.	No.	
13		Q.	Prior to your employment with IDS, did	
14	you h	nave a	personal relationship with any of the	
15	owner	s of	IDS?	
16		A.	No.	
17		Q.	Do you know who the owners are?	
18		A.	Of IDS?	
19		Q.	Yes.	
20		A.	Yes.	
21		Q.	Who are they?	
22		A.	IDS long distance which is controlled	
23	by Jo	oe Mil	lstone and Michael Noshay, Tony Patrone	
24	and F	Keith I	Kramer.	
25		Q.	Who do you directly report to?	

1 Α. Joe Millstone. 2 Q. And who reports to you? I'm sorry. 3 you want to finish your cup of coffee, go ahead. 4 I'm on a tight budget here for time. 5 Α. The controller reports to me. 6 0. And who is that? 7 Α. Sean Davis. 8 Q. How long has he been with IDS? 9 Α. Approximately two months 10 Ο. Okay. 11 Α. Issam Sayegh, I-S-S-A-M, Sayegh, . 12 S-A-Y-E-G-H. He's the CIO. 13 All right. How long has he been Q. 14 employed with IDS? 15 Α. Longer than I have, but I don't know 16 how long. 17 0. Okay. 18 Eileen Turpin is the director of Α. 19 billing. Again, she's been there longer than I 20 have, but I don't know how long. 21 0. Okay. 22 Kerri Caudill. She's the director of Α. 23 special projects. 24 Okay. That's it? Do you know in which Q. 25

states does IDS provide long distance service or

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- 22 Q. No, sir.

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- Α. Kentucky.
- 24 Q. About six states.
- 25 (Discussion off the record)

1 Α. There are seven states in which we 2 operate. 3 I'll tell you the six I have, and 0. you'll tell me which I'm missing. Florida, 4 5 Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South 6 Carolina, Kentucky. 7 Α. Alabama. 8 Q. And these are just local -- where IDS 9 has local customers? 10 Α. Yes. 11 0. Of the local customers, what percentage 12 are residential versus business? 13 Α. Less than lines are residential. 14 And what's the grand total of lines as Q. 15 of today that IDS has? 16 Approximately Α. 17 0. So is it your testimony less than 18 or Less than 19 Α. 20 Q. So the remaining approximately 21 are business lines? 22 Α. Yes. 23 0. And how current is that information? 24 Is that as of today? 25 Α. No.

1 As of when? Q. 2 Α. 8-31. 3 Q. 8:31 this morning? 4 Α. No. August 31st. 5 When is the next time IDS is going to Ο. 6 do its calculation? 7 Α. Approximately October 2nd or 3rd. Of the lines that IDS currently 8 Q. 9 has, do you know how many customers that 10 translates into? 11 Α. No. 12 Q. In Florida, do you know how many of the residential -- the residential lines are 13 14 actually located in Florida? 15 Α. No. 16 Q. Is there a breakdown per state that you 17 know of? 18 Α. Yes. 19 And what is that breakdown comprised Q. 20 of? 21 It's comprised of UNE and resale, 22 business and residential. 23 So for each state, IDS can determine Q. 24 how many UNE customers it has, how many resale

customers it has, how many business customers it

1 has, and how many residential customers it has? 2 Α. Yes. 3 All right. For Florida, how many UNE Q. customers does IDS currently have? 5 I don't recall. Α. 6 0. Is there an estimation that you can 7 provide to me? 8 MR. O'SULLIVAN: If you know it. It's 9 not a memory test. You just say you don't 10 remember or you don't know. 11 Approximately 60 percent of the Α. customers of the are in the State of 12 Florida. 13 All right. Now, in this answer you are 14 Ο. 15 giving me customers, not lines? I'm sorry. Lines. Of the 16 17 lines, approximately 60 percent are in Florida. 18 Is that 60 percent UNEs or is that 60 0. 19 percent combining UNEs and resale? 20 Α. UNEs and resale. 21 Do you know of that 60 percent -- well, 0. 22 how many of those customers are on UNEs? 23 Α. No. 24 Do you know in general the breakdown of 0. 25 the total amount of lines that IDS has for the

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1	percentage that are UNEs versus resale?	
2	A. Approximately are resale.	
3	are UNE.	
4	Q. Is there any coincidence to the fact	
5	that that sort of mirrors the numbers for resale	
6	versus business?	
7	A. No.	
8	Q. So you do have resale customers that	
9	are UNEs?	
10	MR. O'SULLIVAN: You mean residential	
11	customers?	
12	MR. MEZA: Thank you for the	
13	correction.	
14	A. Can I hear the question again?	
15	Q. Do you have residential customers that	
16	are on UNEs?	
17	A. I don't know.	
18	Q. And you don't know the breakdown	
19	between business and residential in Florida, do	
20	you?	
21	A. No.	2000
22	Q. Let's take Georgia. Do you know the	<u> </u>
23	number of UNE resale customers in Georgia?	
24	A. No.	
25	Q. Is there of the remaining six	
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1 states, in which state does IDS have the second 2 largest group of customers? 3 Α. North Carolina. 4 If Florida has 60 percent of IDS 0. 5 customers, lines, what percentage does North 6 Carolina have? 7 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Give your best 8 approximation, and make it clear that that's 9 what it is. 10 Α. Approximately ivided by 11 0. And what state is next? 12 North Carolina. Α. 13 0. So that's Florida, North Carolina --14 A. I'm sorry. Georgia. 15 Georgia. Again, is there a rough 0. 16 estimation as to the number of lines you have in 17 Georgia? 18 Α. 19 And then in descending order which 0. 20 state is next? 21 Α. I don't know after that. 22 0. You don't know. Okay. Has IDS ever 23 measured its service, as far as you know, through

number of customers instead of lines?

Yes.

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customer did IDS have?

1	A. I don't have a recollection.
2	Q. How many lines did IDS have?
3	A. I don't have a recollection.
4	Q. End of the second quarter, would that
5	be the figures you just gave me, customers,
6	lines?
7	A. That would be an approximation for July
8	and August, each of the two months.
9	Q. IDS has a breakdown for every single
10	month of the year?
11	A. Could you reask the question, please.
12	Q. Sure. Does IDS create a document that
13	sets forth the amount of customers and lines it
14	has on a per-month basis?
15	A. Yes.
16	Q. From year end 2000 until end of the
17	second quarter 2001, do you know what was IDS's
18	growth rate?
19	A. How are you measuring growth?
20	Q. For that time period referenced, do you
21	know if there was an increase or decrease in the
22	number of customers and/or lines?
23	A. There was an increase in the number of
24	lines. I believe there was an increase in the
25	number of quetomore

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1	Q. And that is from year end 2000 to the	
2	end of the second quarter 2001; is that correct?	
3	A. Yes.	
4	Q. Do you know what percentage increase it	
5	was for either lines or customers?	
6	A. I don't recall.	
7	MR. O'SULLIVAN: - I'm not going to	
8	object to this line of questioning, but this	
9	is data that's in more precise form that's	
10	probably in BellSouth's records and IDS	
11	records. And he's trying to do growth rates	
12	from memory. You are welcome to do as much	
13	as you want, but probably better data is	
14	available.	
15	MR. MEZA: Mr. Kramer identified that	
16	Mr. Hacker is the person that would know this	
17	information. If it's true that data more	
18	accurately reflects that information, that's	
19	fine, and I have asked for that information.	
20	THE WITNESS: You should note that I	
21	wasn't anticipating this kind of questioning,	
22	so I have no document with me, and I have no	
23	preparation.	
24	MR. MEZA: I understand that, and I'm	

not challenging the veracity of any of your

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statements here today.	
THE WITNESS: I just want to be clear.	
Q. Sure. What was IDS's total gross	
revenue last year?	
A. I don't recall.	
Q. What were IDS's total amount of	
expenses last year?	
A. I don't recall.	
Q. What is IDS's to date gross revenue?	
A. I don't recall.	
Q. What about expenses to date?	
A. I don't recall.	
Q. Is IDS currently running in the red?	
A. No.	
Q. All right. So you are running in the	
black?	
A. So we don't have any confusion, restate	
your question, please.	
Q. Is IDS currently running a profit right	
now?	
A. Yes.	
Q. What is that profit?	
MR. O'SULLIVAN: Can I just ask the	
witness a question?	
I'm just asking the witness if	
	THE WITNESS: I just want to be clear.  Q. Sure. What was IDS's total gross revenue last year?  A. I don't recall.  Q. What were IDS's total amount of expenses last year?  A. I don't recall.  Q. What is IDS's to date gross revenue?  A. I don't recall.  Q. What about expenses to date?  A. I don't recall.  Q. Is IDS currently running in the red?  A. No.  Q. All right. So you are running in the black?  A. So we don't have any confusion, restate your question, please.  Q. Is IDS currently running a profit right now?  A. Yes.  Q. What is that profit?  MR. O'SULLIVAN: Can I just ask the witness a question?

again, I have a general objection to quizzing him on the financial statistics. If the financial statements of the company are relevant, then I think they can be produced if there's not a separate objection to that, but then also I think we would want that part of the record designated as confidential which after the fact we can designate.

MR. MEZA: I think the agreement was we would have an agreement between the parties that you would have a right to look at the transcript and designate which portions of the deposition you can say are to be confidential. But be advised that we intend to use the deposition transcripts at the hearing on Friday.

MR. MILLER: Right, but the agreement also entailed that until those designations are made, the entire transcript would be treated as confidential.

MR. MEZA: That is correct.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: The witness was just pointing out to me to the extent that we got into it, the line data would be considered confidential at least to the outside world.

1 And when you say that we are going to be 2 using the transcripts on Friday, that's 3 right, but that's assuming some resolution of 4 the confidentiality issues, right? 5 MR. MEZA: That is correct. I am 6 giving you the heads up that you need to make 7 your determination as quickly as you can as 8 to what portions are confidential so that 9 both we and the commission can take whatever 10 appropriate steps are necessary at the 11 hearing on Friday. 12 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Right and vice versa. 13 MR. MEZA: Right. 14 MR. O'SULLIVAN: So I think at the end 15 we can talk about the deadline to designate. 16 MR. MEZA: We have everybody except 17 Kramer on our end. 18 MR. MILLER: We just received them this 19 afternoon. 20 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Maybe at the end we 21 can talk about it, at the end of this. 22 Α. Would you restate the question. 23 Sure. I think my last question was Ο. what is IDS's profit right now. 24

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2	Q. For 2000 did IDS or tell me how you
3	does IDS run on a calendar year or a fiscal year?
4	A. Fiscal.
5	Q. For the last fiscal year, did IDS earn
6	a profit?
7	- A. No.
8	Q. And what do you consider a fiscal year,
9	from what time period?
LO	A. January 1 to 12-31.
L1	Q. What was IDS's deficit for 2000?
L2	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.
L3	You can answer. You can answer. I'm just
L 4	making an objection.
L5	THE WITNESS: All right.
L6	MR. O'SULLIVAN: If you understand the
L7	question. You have an accounting background.
L8	Do you mean loss?
L9	Q. Sure. If it wasn't earning a profit, I
20	presume you ran a deficit. And, if so, what was
21	it?
22	A. It was for the year, the deficit was
23	in excess of less than
2 4	For the first half of the year we ran a year to
25	date profit. When we commenced UNE service, we

1 then incurred losses which resulted in the full 2 year being a loss. 3 Ο. So you are saying that starting with June -- July 1st of 2000 to December 31st of 2000, 4 5 you ran a deficit of over 6 That would be logically true. Α. 7 \_ 0. Is that your testimony I guess is what 8 I'm asking you. 9 Α. Yes. 10 And prior to that time IDS was running 0. 17 a profit? 12 Α. For the year to date through June, the 13 company was profitable. 14 What was the total amount of losses 0. 15 incurred in the last two quarters of 2000? 16 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Again, if you just 17 know approximately, indicate it's 18 approximate. 19 less than Α. Yes. More than 20 21 Is it your testimony today that IDS 0. 22 began to experience a deficit when it began to 23 attempt to convert its resale base to UNE-P? 24 Α. It's my testimony that when we began

offering local service through UNEs we had monthly

1	operating deficits.
2	Q. Did you make money when you were
3	offering to the resale?
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. And lost money when offering it through
6	UNE-P?
7	A. Yes.
8	Q. Is that still the case today?
9	A. Rephrase the question.
10	Q. Are you still losing money through your
11	UNE accounts?
12	A. No.
13	Q. There's no other reason in your mind
14	for IDS to sustain between and and
15	in deficit from July 1st, 2000 to December
16	31st, 2000 other than the conversion of its base
17	from resale to UNE-P?
18	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.
19	You can answer.
20	A. We have an international carrier
21	business which is not involved in local service,
22	and that may have contributed to the losses.
23	Q. How much in your opinion did it
24	contribute to the loss?

I don't have an opinion.

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1	Q. Did IDS purchase any equipment during	
2	that time period?	
3	A. Which time period again are we talking	
4	about?	
5	Q. The last two quarters of 2000.	
6	A. Did we purchase any equipment?	
7	Q. Were there any substantial capital	
8	expenditures?	;
9	A. I don't recall any significant capital	
10	expenditures during that period.	
11	Q. So IDS didn't purchase any switches or	
12	anything like that?	
13	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.	
14	A. I don't believe so.	
15	Q. And you only began working at IDS in	
16	October of 2000?	
17	A. Correct.	
18	Q. Were there any loans that became due?	
19	A. No.	
20	Q. What, in your opinion, caused the	
21	deficit?	
22	A. The deficit was caused, in part, by the	
23	difficulty to provision the lines, therefore, they	
24	couldn't be put into billing; the OSS charges that	
25	were incurred against relatively small amounts of	

1 revenue; the cost of acquisition of lines; the 2 build-up in head count in anticipation of certain 3 levels of revenue which weren't achieved because 4 of difficulties in provisioning. 5 Do you have any first-hand knowledge on 6 IDS's attempt or ability to convert its base to UNE-P in the first half of 2000? 7 8 Α. What do you mean by base, please? 9 0. Its customer base, its resale -- the 10 amount of lines from resale to UNE-P. 11 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Do you understand the 12 question? Obviously he didn't work there at 13 the time that happened. 14 MR. MEZA: Sure. I'm just trying to 15 understand --16 MR. O'SULLIVAN: He spends his time 17 working with the people that work there and 18 the fallout. 19 Α. Can you restate the question, please.

- Q. Yes. The question is, do you have any personal knowledge about IDS's attempt or ability to convert its customer base from resale to UNE-P for the first six months of 2000?
  - A. To convert it from resale to UNE-P?
  - Q. Right.

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1	A. No.
2	Q. Do you have any personal knowledge
3	about IDS's attempt to convert a BellSouth
4	customer to UNE-P in the first six months of 2000?
5	A. No.
6	Q. Do you know if they could do it or not?
7	A. I believe they had some success.
8	Q. In your opinion, after the first six
9	months of 2000, was IDS's or did IDS's ability to
10	either convert its resale base to UNE-P or to
11	convert a retail customer to UNE-P improve?
12	A. How are we measuring improvement,
13	please?
14	Q. You said that they had some success in
15	the first half of the year, and I'm asking you if
16	that success improved over the second half of the
	that success improved over the second half of the year.
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16 17 18 19	year.
17 18	year.  A. The number of lines that went into
17 18 19	year.  A. The number of lines that went into billing increased.
17 18 19 20	year.  A. The number of lines that went into billing increased.  Q. What OSS charges are you referring to?
17 18 19 20 21	year.  A. The number of lines that went into billing increased.  Q. What OSS charges are you referring to?  A. The charges from BellSouth.

approximately if you do paper provision.

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1	Q. Do you know if those charges were	
2	incurred pursuant to an agreement with BellSouth?	
3	A. I don't actually know.	
4	Q. So you don't know the origin of the	
5	charges. You just know that they are there; is	
6	that correct?	
7	A. You asked me whether they were incurred	
8	as a result of an agreement.	
9	Q. Right.	
10	A. I haven't read that particular	
11	agreement.	
12	Q. Do you know the origin of the charges	
13	as to why	
14	MR. O'SULLIVAN: You mean as to who is	
15	issuing them?	
16	MR. MEZA: As to why BellSouth imposes	
17	the charges.	
18	A. No.	
19	Q. What is the acquisition cost for a	
20	line?	
21	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.	
22	MR. MEZA: What's wrong with the	
23	question?	
24	MR. O'SULLIVAN: In 1999? Right now?	
25	Retail business?	

How do you define solvency?

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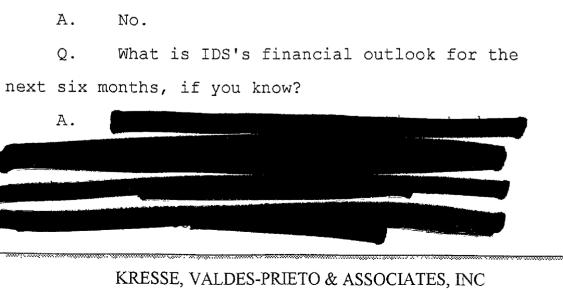
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1	Q. A	re you current with your payments to	
2	creditors?		
3	A. A	s you know, we have past dues with	
4	BellSouth.		
5	Q. 0	ther than with BellSouth.	
6	M	R. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.	
7	You can	answer.	
8	A. W	e have other past dues with carriers.	
9	Q. WI	hy don't you tell me those carriers,	
10	please.		
11	А.		
12	Q. Ho	ow much?	
13	A. I	don't recall the exact amount.	
14	Q. Do	o you have a rough estimate?	
15	Α.		
16	Q. O	kay. Who else?	
17	Α.		
18	Q. 01	kay.	
19	А.		
20	Q. Do	you know how much for	
21	А.		
22	Q. Ho	ow much for	
23	A. I	don't recall the amount.	
24	Q. Ar	ny other carriers that your accounts	
25	are not curre	ent with?	

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2	Q.	How much?	
3	Α.	And its subsidiaries. Approximately	
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5	Q.	Are you also the CFO for Unified	
6	Solutions?		
7	Α.	No.	
8	Q.	Do you handle any of their financial	
9	matters?		
10	Α.	Yes.	
11	Q.	What are your responsibilities as to	
12	Unified So	olutions?	
13	Α.	I supervise payments.	
14	Q.	Payments to who?	
15	Α.	To service providers.	
16	Q.	What type of service providers	
17	strike tha	it.	
18		Are these bills that Unified Solutions	
19	incurs?		
20	Α.	No.	
21	Q.	These are charges to other CLECs; is	
22	that corre	ect?	
23	Α.	No.	
24	Q.	What are you referring to?	n comments
25	Α.	The service providers are individuals.	
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Is that

1 Q. How are service providers individuals? 2 Α. They are not corporations. 3 Ο. I guess I'm confused as to your 4 characterization of your responsibilities at 5 Unified Solutions. Maybe if I give you my 6 understanding of the company, you can correct me. 7 From what I understand, Unified Solutions -- we 8 are having a disconnect here because service 9 provider to me means like BellSouth. 10 not --11 MR. O'SULLIVAN: If you take it in 12 plain English, service provider could be the 13 person who cleans windows. It could be any 14 party that provides a service. 15 Α. If you think of third-party service 16 provider, that might make it clear to you. 17 Are you responsible for billing Unified Q. Solutions' clients? 18 19 Α. No. 20 0. 21 next six months, if you know? 22 Α. 23 24 25





Q. Has IDS received any infusions of cash from any other telecommunications companies in the last six months?

MR. O'SULLIVAN: Let me just object for a second. This really goes to this whole line. Can you tell me what the relevance is? There's a lot of questions about the financial condition of this company. Is that really an issue in this case?

MR. MEZA: Sure, it is. They claimed numerous times in this proceeding that IDS needed an emergency hearing because they didn't know if they were going to be in business beyond October if they had to wait that long for a hearing.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: We have a hearing. The hearing is going to be when it's going to be.

MR. MEZA: I'm trying to understand whatever financial arrangements have been disclosed in the mutual agreement between AT&T and IDS.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: You've done about a half hour on customers and creditors.

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1	MR. MEZA: I have two hours, and I've	
2	chosen to spend part of my time on that.	
3	A. Restate your question, please.	
4	Q. Has IDS received an infusion of cash or	
5	other type of equity from another	
6	telecommunications company in the last six months?	
7	A. No.	
8	Q. What percentage of IDS's revenue comes	
9	from long distance, if you know?	
10	A. Approximately	
11	Q. I may have asked this already, but if I	
12	have, I apologize. Do you know the breakdown of	
13	the number of lines that are solely long distance	
14	lines as opposed to local lines?	
15	A. You haven't asked it, and I don't know.	
16	Q. Okay. Thank you. Do you know of the	
17	lines that IDS currently has what	
L8	percentage has both local and long distance?	
19	A. Yes, I know.	
20	Q. What is that?	
21	A. 42 percent.	
22	Q. Is there any other person at IDS that	
23	has more knowledge about the financial condition	
24	of the company than you?	

MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.

1 You can answer if you know. 2 Α. No. 3 Q. Are you still a partner in Tatum CFO? 4 Α. Yes. 5 Do you have your direct testimony with Q. 6 you? 7 Α. Yes. Page 4, lines 7 through 22 going on to 8 Q. 9 page 5. Have you read Claude Morton's testimony? 10 Α. Yes. 11 Q. Let me ask you this. 12 Α. I read a portion of it. 13 Did you draft this testimony? 0. 14 I participated in drafting it. Α. 15 Q. Did you review it before it was filed? 16 Α. Yes. 17 If you look on -- well, let me ask you Q. 18 this. Do you disagree with Mr. Morton's calculation that IDS owes BellSouth \$5.9 million? 19 20 I can't confirm his calculation as Α. 21 correct. 22 So you disagree with it? Q. 23 Α. Yes. 24 Look at subparagraph one in line 9. Q. 25 You state, "This calculation apparently includes

1 charges for services outside the State of Florida 2 including Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, 3 North Carolina and South Carolina." Do you see that? 4 5 Yes. Α. 6 Do you know what were the total amount 0. 7 of charges that you believe were included for services outside of Florida? 8 9 No, I don't. Α. 10 Do you have a general idea of the \$5.9 Q. 11 million that Mr. Morton claims is outstanding, how 12 much generally were for services outside the State of Florida? 13 Approximately 40 percent. Α. 15 Q. All right. How do you know that they

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were for charges outside the State of Florida?

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When I attempted to reconcile our accounts to reach the 5.9 --

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Uh-huh. Q.

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-- the only way I could come up with a number that was in the same order of magnitude was to include the Q accounts for all the states.

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Why is it that you are taking the 0. position that these services are not currently owed in this proceeding? Why is it that you are

1 contesting those charges? 2 MR. O'SULLIVAN: I don't know that 3 that's an accurate characterization of the testimony. It just -- the testimony doesn't 5 say that he's contesting whether it's due and 6 owing. 7 MR. MEZA: His testimony says that 8 BellSouth's calculation apparently includes 9 several inappropriate amounts. 10 Why do you feel that calculations 0. 11 including charges for services outside the State 12 of Florida are inappropriate? 13 Because we are before the Florida PSC. Α. 14 You are not refuting those charges, 0. 15 that IDS does not owe BellSouth charges that were 16 incurred in other states? I'm not refuting that we owe charges 17 18 for services outside of Florida. 19 Q. You are saying for this proceeding, 20 only the charges incurred in the State of Florida 21 should be at issue? 22 Α. I'm saying that the --23 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Let me object to the 24 form of that. I think it speaks for itself.

Words are plain.

1	MR. MEZA: He says that these charges
2	are inappropriate.
3	Q. So what I need to understand is your
4	position is that only charges for Florida are
5	appropriate?
6	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.
7	You can answer if you understand the
8	question.
9	A. The point that I'm making is that this
10	amount of \$5.9 million must include charges for
11	states other than Florida.
12	Q. And what is the significance of that?
13	A. Only to make clear to the PSC that this
14	amount of 5.9 includes charges outside Florida.
15	Q. Look at number 2 on line 12. You say,
16	"This calculation apparently includes the current
17	bill of approximately \$1.7 million which is not
18	payable until September 16th." Did IDS make
19	payment on September 16th?
20	A. What is today's date?
21	Q. The 17th, I believe.
22	A. No.
23	Q. Does IDS intend to make payment?
24	A. Yes.
25	O. Of this 1.7 amount, do you know how

1	much was for resale?
2	A. No, I don't.
3	Q. Do you have any breakdown or knowledge
4	of the breakdown of the bill?
5	A. I have knowledge of the breakdown of
6	the bill, but I don't recall specific numbers.
7	Q. Do you have a general idea?
8	A. Approximately \$200,000 is for resale.
9	Q. And what was the remaining amount for,
10	if you remember?
11	A. That would be for UNE.
12	Q. Look at number 3 on line 16. You state
13	that this calculation apparently includes accrued
14	finance charges. Do you know how much?
15	A. No.
16	Q. How do you know that it includes
17	finance charges?
18	A. Because when I reconciled what my book
19	balance shows due to BellSouth, okay, we don't use
20	finance charges in doing that reconciliation, and
21	that amount may be the difference between our
22	books and what Mr. Morton claimed.
23	Q. So you haven't determined the actual
24	amount that you believe accounts for finance
25	charges, have you?

A. No.

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Q. And then you state on line 17 through 19, "However, the January 22nd, 2001 agreement between IDS and BellSouth does not provide for finance charges to continue to accrue on past due balances." Do you see that?

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A. Yes.

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Q. Do you have a copy of that agreement?

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MR. O'SULLIVAN: No.

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you if you want it.

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MR. MEZA: Sure. I just have a quick question. It may not be necessary for you to

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go through it.

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MR. O'SULLIVAN: You can ask it.

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Q. Do you know if the agreement is silent

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as to finance charges or states that finance

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A. It's silent.

charges are not owed?

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Q. That's all. Then on page 5, line 3,

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all the way down you describe some pending

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disputes IDS has with BellSouth. Do you see that?

1 Α. Yes. 2 0. And subgroup or subprovision A on line 3 6 states, \$929,000 which represents the delta difference between the resale rates, and it goes 4 5 on and on, from November `99 to May 2000. Do you 6 see that? 7 Α. Yes. 8 Do you know if IDS has submitted 0. 9 through BellSouth's billing dispute process its 10 claim for this \$929,000? 11 Α. Yes. 12 Q. And has that billing dispute been 13 resolved? 14 Α. Bell made a counter offer in response 15 to this dispute --16 0. Of how much? 17 -- and as I understand it --Α. 18 I'm sorry. I don't mean to interrupt Q. 19 you. I thought you were finished. 20 Α. As I understand it, the difference is 21 not in how to calculate the delta difference, but 22 rather the time period which applies. 23 Has BellSouth denied or refused IDS's Q. 24 claim for \$929,000 for the delta difference?

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1	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form of					
2	the question.					
3	Q. So as far as IDS is concerned, that is					
4	still a valid, viable billing dispute?					
5	A. It's an unresolved billing dispute.					
6	Q. Are you familiar with BellSouth's					
7 -	billing dispute process?					
8	A. Not in detail.					
9	Q. Do you that's not something that you					
10	personally supervise?					
11	A. The people that prepare the disputes					
12	report indirectly to me.					
13	Q. Have certain employees reported to you					
14	the process as to how it works?					
15	A. Yes.					
16	Q. And that sooner well, I don't want					
17	to testify for you. What is your understanding of					
18	how it works?					
19	A. We are required to document the					
20	proposed dispute in a fairly strictly-enforced					
21	format that BellSouth has. It's then submitted to					
22	BellSouth, and after, as far as I know, an					
23	undefined period of time, BellSouth may elect to					
24	respond.					
25	Q. As far as you know, has BellSouth					

responded to the \$929,000 delta difference claim?
MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.
You can answer.
A. BellSouth made a counter offer on this
929.
Q. Did it reject or refuse to accept the
\$929,000 claim? That's all I'm asking you. It's
your testimony they issued a counter offer. In
the counter offer, did BellSouth say we are not
going to pay or we don't think your claim is valid
for \$929,000?
MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.
If they said it implicit in the counter
offer, is not an acceptance of the original
offer. Did they say those extra words?
A. Is that the precise question?
Q. Yes.
A. Say the question again.
Q. The question is, did BellSouth tell IDS
that it was refusing to pay the \$929,000?
A. I don't recall them saying that.
Q. Look at subparagraph B on line 11. You
talk about, again, a delta difference for 453,000
from August to December of 2000. Has IDS
submitted this claim through BellSouth's billing

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1	dispute process?	
2	A. I believe we have.	
3	Q. What is the status of that claim?	
4	A. I don't believe we've heard anything	
5	back from BellSouth on that.	
6	Q. When did IDS submit the claim?	
7	A. I don't recall.	
8	Q. Is it IDS's position that from August	
9	through December 2000 it was unable to convert or	
10	utilize the UNE-P at all?	
11	A. No.	
12	Q. Then why is IDS claiming the delta	
13	difference for that time period?	
14	A. There were periods during that larger	
15	time frame in which we were unable to provision	
16	lines as UNE and were forced to put them on as	
17	resale.	
18	Q. How many lines?	
19	A. I don't recall the exact numbers.	
20	Q. What constitutes the \$453,000?	
21	A. There's \$154,000 and change related to	
22	305 Q97. There's 167,000 and change related to	
23	561 Q. And there's \$107,000 related to 904 Q.	
24	Q. Do you know what those Qs represent?	
25	A. Geographic areas in which you provide	

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- Q. I guess what I'm asking, are all of these calculations the delta difference for various Qs?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Is IDS claiming that it's entitled to the delta difference for every single line that it either attempted to convert or actually converted from August through December of 2000?
  - A. No.
- Q. Is IDS only claiming the delta difference for those lines for which it was unable to convert to UNE-P?
- A. We are claiming the delta difference when the Bell systems would not permit UNE provisioning and we were forced to provision as resale.
  - Q. Do you know how many customers?
- A. No, I don't.
- Q. Do you know what specific dates

  BellSouth systems was unable to allow you to convert to UNE-P?
  - A. I don't know the specific dates.
- Q. It's not for every single day from
  August to December, right?

1	A. I don't believe so.				
2	Q. Do you know how many conversion orders				
3	IDS submitted for this time period?				
4	A. No.				
5	Q. Do you know how many conversion orders				
6	or how many customers for IDS during this time				
7	period experienced some type of feature loss or				
8	disconnect during this time period?				
9	A. No.				
10	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Just so the record is				
11	clear, I think the documentation relating to				
12	each of these disputes is in the record and				
13	the documents that have been produced. And				
14	those kind of details about the lines and				
15	what the factors are are in here somewhere.				
16	MR. MEZA: If you are referring to the				
17	documents produced in the Attorney General's				
18	that may be correct, but as far as what IDS				
19	has produced to BellSouth outside of that, I				
20	don't think I've seen any calculation.				
21	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Even this is what				
22	BellSouth must have.				
23	A. It's clear the dispute has been filed,				
24	so the documentation is on file somewhere at				

BellSouth.

1 Ο. Well, that may be the case, but you may 2 have that information as well. 3 Α. Agreed. 4 Q. Okay. 5 In fact, I'm quite confident we do. Α. 6 Q. All right. Look at letter C on line 7 15. 8 Α. Right. 9 214,000 in BellSouth's over billing IDS Q. 10 in the first half of 2001. And then you have 11 parenthesis, for instances in which BellSouth 12 inappropriately charged IDS for disconnection 13 charges, amounts appearing on BellSouth's billing 14 without appropriate documentation, et cetera. 15 Have you submitted this claim to the 16 billing dispute process? 17 Α. Yes. 18 Do you know what the status is of that 0. claim? 19 20 It is still pending. Α. 21 Are there any other examples of over Q. 22 billing other than the information that you 23 provided in the parentheticals on line 16 through 24 19?

MR. O'SULLIVAN:

Object to the form.

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1	You can answer it to the best of your					
2	knowledge.					
3	A. There may be, but I don't recall					
4	specifics.					
5	Q. How did you determine that BellSouth					
6	has inappropriately charged IDS for disconnection					
7	charges?					
8	A. I believe the basis was that the					
9	interconnect agreement didn't provide for					
10	disconnect charges in certain states.					
11	Q. Is this \$214,000 reflective of over					
12	billings for Florida?					
13	A. I believe Florida would be included.					
14	Q. Do you know what portion of the 214,000					
15	is for over billings outside of the State of					
16	Florida?					
17	A. No, I don't.					
18	Q. Do you have an idea of what percentage					
19	were for billings outside the State of Florida?					
20	A. No.					
21	Q. How did you come to the conclusion that					
22	amounts appearing on BellSouth's billing without					
23	appropriate documentation constitutes an over					
24	billing?					

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1	USOC code attributed to them. Therefore, we have	
2	no way of knowing what the charge is for.	
3	Q. Let me ask you this. Under BellSouth	
4	and IDS's current interconnection agreement, do	
5	you pay an amount that is being disputed during	
6	the dispute resolution process?	
7	A. I don't recall.	
8	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.	
9	You can answer.	
10	A. I don't recall that particular detail	
11	with respect to the interconnect agreement.	
12	Q. Okay.	
13	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Joe, when you get to a	
14	convenient spot, we'll take a quick break.	
15	Q. Let me run through these. D, "542,000	
16	in BellSouth's inappropriate back billing in July	
17	2001 for the increased in the deaveraged loop."	
18	What is the basis for that statement?	
19	A. The interconnect agreement doesn't	
20	provide for back billing when Bell is able to bill	
21	by zone.	
22	Q. Do you remember the provision that you	
23	are referring to?	
24	A. No, I don't.	
25	Q. All right. Does this \$542,000 include	

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1	charges or back billings for states other than	
2	Florida?	
3	A. No, I don't believe it does.	
4	Q. It's just for Florida?	
5	A. It's just for Florida.	
6	Q. Florida specific, okay. So is it your	
7	position that the interconnection agreement	
8	determines governs the rights of the parties	
9	regarding any billing issues?	
10	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.	
11	He's not a lawyer.	
12	A. I'm not a lawyer.	
13	Q. So is it your testimony that when you	
14	have a billing issue, do you not refer to the	
15	interconnection agreement?	
16	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.	
17	That's not what he said.	
18	A. We refer to the interconnection	
19	agreement in terms of billing issues.	
20	Q. Is this amount just for July of 2001?	
21	A. No. This is a charge that goes from	
22	January through June. It's a catch-up charge for	
23	each of those months for repricing the zones.	
24	Q. Did it just appear on the July bill?	

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Yes.

1	(Recess in Proceedings)				
2	Q. Page 6, line 7. You state, IDS has a				
3	past due balance of BellSouth of approximately				
4	\$1,109,326. Do you see that?				
5	A. Yes				
6	Q. How old is that past due amount, do you				
7	know?				
8	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form:				
9	You can answer.				
10	A. Over 90 days.				
11	Q. Is this amount part of the amount that				
12	was resolved in the agreement between BellSouth				
13	and IDS regarding back due payments or has this				
14	amount been accrued since the execution of that				
15	agreement?				
16	A. There's a question, fungible				
17	Q. Why don't you explain that.				
18	A. There is an amount that is past due.				
19	The agreement in January covered past due amounts.				
20	Q. I'm asking, this amount, \$1,109,326,				
21	has been accrued since the execution of that				
22	agreement, do you know that?				
23	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.				
21	A On the date that we signed the				

agreement, I believe that BellSouth could have

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anticipated and calculated that approximately this amount would be past due.

- Q. As of today or as of the date you filed your testimony?
  - A. As of the date of the testimony.
- Q. Is IDS still making those \$200,000 monthly payments?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Has BellSouth responded to the letters attached as exhibits to your rebuttal testimony regarding your belief that May was the final month that the payment was due?
- A. The only response that I've received was one phone message from Mr. Morton expressing some desire to discuss the issue. My response was to offer him any day that week at 10:00 in the morning the opportunity to talk about it. I've never heard anything else from Mr. Morton. They never responded to the letters in writing.
- Q. If it's your belief, as expressed in these letters, that May was the last month that the \$200,000 is due, why is IDS still making payments?

MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form. You can answer.

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- Given the absence of response from Α. 1 BellSouth, we carefully reviewed the January 2 agreement again and came to the conclusion that 3 there may be additional amounts past due that 4 should be paid, and so we have paid. 5 Let me ask you, as of today, you 6 0. believe that this amount, \$1,109,326, is still 7 money owed to BellSouth? 8 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form. 9 You can answer. 10 After taking into account all of the 11 Α. pending disputes, if they were resolved in our 12 favor, the amount owed to BellSouth excluding the 13 current month's bill would be the amount in the 14 15 testimony. And I guess my question to you today 16 0. is, does IDS intend to continue to pay the 17 \$200,000 until this figure is zero? 18 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form. 19 You can answer. 20 As stated in the letters which have 21 22
  - been submitted as part of the testimony, it has always been our intention and our good will to make the \$200,000 per month payments toward the past due balance, and we anticipate continuing to

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do that at least as long as we show a past due amount.

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Q. And I guess my -- the question, I guess I'm inartfully asking you, when you take into consideration all the amounts that you feel have been inappropriately billed and that you are disputing, the figure set forth on page 6, line 7 is the amount that IDS still feels is owed to .

BellSouth?

MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.

There's more testimony that talks about more amounts in dispute. I think he was referring to the four disputes on the prior page. It's just math. He takes the figure in the beginning, subtracts these and gets --

MR. MEZA: I understand how he calculated the figure.

- Q. But my question is, you wrote a letter in May saying that you didn't feel like you owed anymore, and now you are still making the payments of \$200,000. So that leads me to believe that you feel there's still some amounts that IDS owes; is that correct?
- A. There is an amount that we believe is owed to BellSouth which is the amount in the

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Q. On page 6, line 7?

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- A. Right. And that amount assumes that the Bell disputes are resolved in our favor. If the disputes with Bell were not resolved in our favor, this amount would increase.
- Q. Look on page 7, line 23. You state that IDS has lost approximately 37,000 customer lines since May of 2000. What is the basis for your calculation of 37,000 customer lines?

MR. O'SULLIVAN: By the way, just for the record, I asked the witness to bring with him, in accordance with the subpoena, these work papers that he had -- most of them are just the rough calculations that get here.

A. This is not the precise document that I used to calculate the 37,000 because the dates are different and the date the report was run are different. This report shows that through September 6, there have been scos. If you subtract out September and August, you come

Sure.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: Discos is disconnect?
THE WITNESS: Discos is disconnect.

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1	Q.	Where did you get that information	
2	from?		
3	A.	Internal systems.	
4	Q.	Specifically what type of system?	
5	Α.	We have a system that tracks the	
6	informatio	n related to a customer in terms of FOC	
7	complete d	ates and other dates related to Bell,	
8	and that s	ystem also keeps track of customers that	
9	are disco'	d.	
10	Q.	What is this monthly billing active?	
11	What is th	at category?	
12	A.	That means the number of lines that are	
13	in billing	•	
14	Q.	Okay. I see. And lines added just	
15	means?		,
16	A.	Gross lines.	
17	Q.	The growth or gross?	
18	A.	Gross.	
19	Q.	What is that a gross of? I mean,	
20	resale, UN	E-P?	
21	A.	It would be UNE and resale.	
22 -	Q.	And you are saying there's something	
23	wrong with	these dates here?	
24	Α.	No, I'm not saying there's something	
25	wrong with	the dates. I'm saying that when I	

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1	derived the 37,000, I used a similar report but	
2	with a different run date.	
3	MR. O'SULLIVAN: So a little more time	
4	has passed, and it's gone from 37 to	
5	whatever.	
6	Q. And you've determined this figure from	
7	internal IDS documents?	
8	A. It's based on internal IDS systems, but	
9	the most significant input to that system is	
10	reporting we get from Bell on disconnects.	
11	Q. Is there a term in this system that you	
12	are using to calculate these figures or to come to	
13	this? Is it called something?	
14	A. We refer to it as a tracker. I don't	
15	believe there's a more specific name for it.	
16	Q. Now, are these the total amount of	
17	disconnects in August of the states in which IDS	
18	has a customer?	
19	A. Yes.	
20	Q. So it's not Florida specific?	
21	A. No.	
22	Q. So your 37,000 number is not Florida	
23	specific?	
24	A. That is correct.	
25	Q. What is the number of disconnects in	

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1	Florida for the time period referenced in your
2	testimony?
3	A. I don't have that information with me.
4	Q. Can you break it down by state?
5	A. We can break it down by state.
6	Q. Do you have a rough idea well, I
7	think you gave me that percent of the lines
8	that you have today reside in Florida?
9	A. Correct.
10	Q. All right. Would that percent
11	figure still be accurate today to determine the
12	amount of disconnects?
13	A. I don't know if it's accurate or not.
14	Q. So you have no idea what percentage of
15	disconnects of this the number actually are
16	Florida lines?
17	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.
18	That's not what he said.
19	A. Restate your question, please.
20	Q. Do you have any idea of how much or how
21	many lines of this total amount as set forth in
22	your I would like to attach it as an exhibit.
23	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Hacker 1.
24	MR. MEZA: Hacker 1.
25	MR. O'SULLIVAN: He said he doesn't

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1	have the data with him. Would you like him	
2	to give you his best estimate?	
3	MR. MEZA: Yes.	
4	A. We have a reporting system which would	
5	give us the precise number of discos by state, but	
6	I don't have that information with me.	
7	Q. And you can't make a guess?	
8	A. I don't have an informed guess.	
9	Q. Are these local and long distance or	
10	just local?	
11	A. Just local.	
12	Q. This figure, the is that local	
13	and long distance?	
14	A. No. That's local only.	
15	Q. I thought you told me that IDS had	
16	approximately active lines today that	
17	included both local and long distance. Is that	
18	incorrect or was I mis	
19	A. I believe you misunderstood. It was	
20	local.	
21	Q. And how many long distance lines does	
22	IDS have today?	
23	A. Approximately	
24	Q. Okay.	
25	A. That doesn't include local customers	

1 that have long distance. 2 Q. What is that figure? 3 If you multiply by percent --Α. 4 0. Okav. -- and add that to the , that would 5 Α. 6 give you total LD. 7 0. And if you add it to the that 8 will give you -- I see what you are saying. The 9 is a total universe of local customers you 10 have. 11 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Some of which have 12 long distance. 13 Α. But it doesn't include the LD14 lines that I just mentioned. 15 MR. MEZA: I got you. I got you. 16 would ask for the -- as a late filed exhibit, 17 for the underlying data that Mr. Hacker 18 looked at to come to the figures set forth 19 identified in Hacker Number 1. 20 MR. O'SULLIVAN: All right. Now --21 THE WITNESS: Can we be clear on what 22 the gentleman is asking? 23 MR. MEZA: I want to be able to confirm 24 the figures that are set forth. If these are 25 BellSouth documents, then I will accept,

since we are running out of time, what documents he's referring to.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: My understanding is like your office and my office, they have the computer, and inside the computer is all the data that that's their customers and all their stuff. And you say give me all the lines by month or by -- and I think the statistic on disconnects is input separately some other time from the BellSouth loss reports that they get every month.

So that's how it got in there, but right now it's just sitting in a computer that can run reports just like your computers.

MR. MEZA: I would like to obtain that information.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: What does that mean?

MR. MEZA: Whatever information he looked at to come to this disconnect figure I want to see.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: You tell him. I assume you sat at your computer and said give me the term report.

THE WITNESS: I had somebody else

1 produce the report. 2 MR. O'SULLIVAN: The disconnect figure 3 that you are interested in is in their 4 computer, and it got there because somebody 5 got a loss report from BellSouth each month 6 and typed in all the disconnects. 7 MR. MEZA: That may very well be true. 8 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Given that, what do 9 you want us to give you? 10 MR. MEZA: Whatever information -- if 11 you generated a document to produce or 12 calculate these numbers, I want it. If you 13 are telling me that all you did was look at 14 BellSouth's loss report, I want to see that 15 as well. 16 THE WITNESS: Okay. What you are 17 saying then is if there are three sources of 18 data which provide the information which is 19 reflected here --20 MR. MEZA: Right. 21 THE WITNESS: -- you want to see each 22 of those three sources of documents for each 23 of the months that are reflected here. 24 MR. MEZA: Yes, sir.

THE WITNESS: Just for the sake of

clarity, I believe there's only two sources of information. Three was just for the purpose of example.

MR. MEZA: That's fine.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: Okay. So that request is for any source documents which substantiate the disconnect figures that are in this Hacker Exhibit 1, right?

MR. MEZA: Yes, and the lines added. I presume that would be contained in a similar document.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: I think we will have to go back and see what exists. We will see what we have.

THE WITNESS: Yes. I'm not sure what documents we would have that would provide the basis for lines added, but --

MR. MEZA: How do you know?

MR. O'SULLIVAN: These are the records of the company. This is what they operate based on. Say this is what we are talking about happening, they get their loss report, maybe they keep it for a little while, maybe they don't. The computer is what they work off of.

THE WITNESS: The big issue is record retention, whether going all the way back to January of last year we have source documents.

MR. MEZA: Whatever you have, I would like to see.

- Q. Okay. I'm going to try to get you out of here. On page 8, line 1, you have 41.2 percent of new lines added for May of 2000 to July 2001.

  Am I correct in believing that that percentage is based upon a division of lines added versus the amount of disconnects?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. That's based -- set forth in Hacker 1?
- A. You will come up with a number that's quite close to that percentage, yes.
- Q. On page 2 to 5 of -- excuse me. Line 2 to 5 of page 8, you are referring to a CLEC industry attrition rate of approximately 7 percent per month. Where did you obtain that figure?
- A. That number is based on conversations with several investment bankers and several senior executives that operate CLECs.
- Q. Okay. If you look on page 8, line 6, you say --

A. Page 8, line 6.

Q. Yes. "Consequently, BellSouth's anticompetitive practices have caused approximately 10,000 additional loss of customer lines for IDS." What is the basis for your belief that BellSouth's anticompetitive practices solely caused or caused these 10,000 additional lines to

leave IDS?

MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form. You can answer.

MR. MEZA: That's fine.

A. The 10,000 additional lines is based on the difference between the 7 percent industry average and the 10 percent actual attrition that we've had.

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Q. Right. And my question to you is, how can you attribute that 10,000 additional customer lines to BellSouth's anticompetitive actions as set forth in your testimony? Do you have any specific evidence to support that allegation?

A. Specific evidence that BellSouth has caused us to lose lines? Yes.

Q. My question to you is, you say that -I'm quoting you, "BellSouth's anticompetitive
practices have caused approximately 10,000

- additional lost customer lines for IDS." What is
  the basis for your belief that anticompetitive
  practices caused the additional 10,000 lines to
  leave IDS?
  - A. Well, for example, I believe Bell is the only ILEC that runs a win back program compared with the other ILECs in the United States.
  - Q. Have you confirmed with any other ILECs whether that's true or not?
  - A. I've confirmed with other people in the industry.
    - Q. Which ones?
  - A. I'm sorry.
- Q. Which people are you referring to?
- A. Same senior executives that I discussed attrition with.
  - Q. Have you talked to any ILECs about their win back activities?
- 20 A. No.

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- Q. And you are attributing this additional 10,000 -- these additional 10,000 lines leaving IDS solely because of BellSouth's anticompetitive practices; is that correct?
- MR. O'SULLIVAN: Well, I mean, but in

repeating his statement from the testimony, you keep putting in solely.

- Q. I'm asking him. Is there any other plausible explanation other than what you set forth as to why 37,000 customers left IDS? I just want to understand.
- A. The implicit premise here is that there are anticompetitive practices from all the ILECs with respect to all the CLECs. And that is incorporated in the 7 percent industry attrition rate. We are substantially higher than the industry average. Implicitly, it's attributable to BellSouth.
- Q. How do you know that? It may be attributable to BellSouth through proper win back activities. Would you agree with that?

MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form. He can answer. I think the premise of his testimony is earlier in the paragraph. He says what the factors are.

Q. Wouldn't you agree with me there, that there's a possibility that some of these customers came back to BellSouth or left IDS through proper win back activities of BellSouth or any other CLEC?

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1	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.		
2	You can answer.		
3	A. It's logically possible.		
4	Q. And I'm just confirming with you today		
5	that you believe that the 10,000 additional lines		
6	that you believe IDS has lost were lost because of		
7	BellSouth's anticompetitive behavior; is that		
8	correct?		
9	A. Yes.		
10	Q. In your belief in your testimony today,		
11	do you take into account the possibility that some		
12	of these customers could have left IDS for reasons		
13	other than win back activities?		
14	A. It's logically possible.		
15	Q. And you are also taking into account in		
16	this in your testimony today, that there is a		
17	possibility that some of these customers went back		
18	to BellSouth or another CLEC as a result of proper		
19	win back activities?		
20	A. I don't know.		
21	Q. You don't know, but you do know today		
22	that they left because of anticompetitive		
23	practices of BellSouth?		
24	A. Yes.		
25	O And how do you know that?		

1 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Again, I think this 2 testimony is transparent. 3 MR. MEZA: Well, John, you may believe that, but I want to ask the witness the basis 5 for his belief. 6 MR. O'SULLIVAN: You asked him three 7 times. It says what it says. For purposes 8 of this estimate, the difference between the 9 industry average and what happened to them is 10 what he's claiming. 11 Α. Restate your question, please. 12 I guess my question is, how do you know 0. 13 that these additional 10,000 lines left because of 14 BellSouth's anticompetitive behavior? 15 As I said before, I believe that our 16 attrition percentage is higher than the industry average primarily due to BellSouth's practices. 17 18 Page 8, line 8, these 10,000 customers Q. 19 represent \$470,000 per month in July 2001. I 20 guess I'm confused by that statement there. 21 that a typo? 22 Α. What do you think is a typo? 23 0. Represent approximately 470,000 per 24 month in lost revenue to IDS in July 2001?

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No, I don't think it's a typo.

1 Are you saying it's 470,000 just in Q. 2 July 2001? 3 Α. For the single month, yes. 4 Q. And you expect that revenue to be the 5 same on an ongoing basis? 6 Α. The --7 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form. 8 You can answer. 9 Α. The estimate of \$470,000 per month was 10 based on a determination using July data for 11 average revenue per line. 12 O. And what is that average revenue per 13 line? 14 Well, I've used \$47 here. Α. 15 And that's basic local service for a Ο. 16 business customer? 17 Α. Yes. And it doesn't include CABS 18 revenue. 19 Again, this 10,000 additional lost Ο. 20 lines, that's not Florida specific, is it? 21 Α. No. 22 And it's your testimony that 42 percent Q. 23 of local customers also use IDS for long distance? 24 Α. As I stated earlier, yes. 25 Q. What is the average revenue per line

1 for long distance? 2 Α. Approximately \$20 per line. 3 0. And what is the average amount of lines that a small business customer has, do you know? 4 5 Α. Approximately 3.5. 6 Look on page 9, line 16 and 17. Given Q. 7 that BellSouth caused 27 percent attrition during 8 the period. How do you know that BellSouth caused 9 27 percent of the total attrition during the 10 period? 11 Α. I think we are back to the point that 12 you pursued multiple times in the questions that 13 you had with respect to the --14 I guess I'm specifically trying to Q. 15 figure out why you believe that BellSouth caused 16 this figure, and it's not the result of some other 17 type of possibility? 18 Α. As I said before, the difference 19 between the industry average and the attrition 20 that we've experienced I believe was caused by 21 anticompetitive practices from BellSouth. 22 But what specific facts or evidence Ο. 23 other than the increased attrition rate do you 24 rely on to come to that conclusion? 25 MR. O'SULLIVAN: If I could just object

and make a point of clarification. I think the problem here is, to use shorthand, I think Mr. Hacker is sort of more in the nature of a damages witness and --

MR. MEZA: Sure.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: This is really a question for the fact witnesses. You may not be happy or satisfied with what you got from the fact witnesses, so you want somebody to ask it to, but I think he will say, you speak for yourself, that he is really providing calculations or analysis of assumptions about what's happened.

He's not the one who listened to lines getting disrupted or talked to customers. He has some of that anecdotally, but he works with the people who experience that, and is trying to put that in a frame work that people can understand.

MR. MEZA: If he's willing to stipulate that his testimony only refers to damage calculations, assuming that IDS proves its case, that's fine. But to the extent that he's making allegations that BellSouth caused IDS to suffer damages, then I would like to



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MR. O'SULLIVAN: And you are entitled

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Let me try it this way, and I want to get you out of here. In coming to the belief that you set forth on page 9, line 16 and 17, did you do any specific analysis or study to come to the conclusion that BellSouth is responsible for causing 27 percent of the total attrition other than looking at the numbers that we talked about ad nauseam?

Α. I have on a couple of occasions analyzed the disco date compared with the FOC complete date, and in the cases where the customer

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1	disco'd before the FOC complete date, I believe		
2	that is evidence to support Bell's anticompetitive		
3	practices.		
4	Q. Okay.		
5	MR. O'SULLIVAN: One point for		
6	clarification. Does everybody on this call		
7	know what the disco'd date and the FOC date		
8	means, Mary Anne?		
9	MS. HELTON: Yes.	İ	
10	MR. O'SULLIVAN: You guys are pros.		
11	You follow that?		
12	MS. HELTON: Yes.		
13	Q. How many customers have you seen that		
14	happen to?		
15	A. Several hundred is my recollection.		
16	Q. For what time period?		
17	A. I believe the analysis was done in		
18	January of this year.		
19	Q. January 2001?		
20	A. Yes.		
21	Q. So it had to be prior to January 2001?		
22	A. That's correct.		
23	Q. All right. Do you know which customers		
24	were effected?		
25	A. I didn't memorize them.		

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- Q. Do you believe there is some type of document out there that sets forth this analysis that you are referring to?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Any other analysis or information that you feel supports your conclusion that BellSouth caused 27 percent of the total attrition?
  - A. The IT department at IDS reports to me.
  - Q. Uh-huh.
- A. When we have had problems provisioning lines whereby Bell's server, which I believe is in Florida, it's an internet attached server, was not functioning properly, we had simultaneously provisioned outside of Miami through a server, which I believe is in Birmingham, and had no problems. The speed with which that server problem was corrected seemed to me in this day and age quite slow. That's another --
- Q. I'm sorry to interrupt you. Let's go back quickly to -- you said that you believe that anticompetitive behavior resulted -- was the cause of the loss of the line when the disconnect occurred prior to the FOC. Is that what you said?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. How can there be a disconnect prior to

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1	an FOC? Do you understand that whole analysis?	
2	A. I do understand that whole analysis.	
3	Q. All right.	
4	A. And the reason is that Bell must have	
5	relied on information to win back the customer	
6	that they are, as I understand it, not legally	
7	entitled to use until the FOC complete date.	
8	Q. Correct me if I'm wrong, but an FOC is	
9	just telling you that the order is complete, that	
10	we got the order, it's being processed, correct?	
11	A. That it is completely processed is the	
12	FOC complete date. We can put that customer into	
13	billing at that point.	
14	Q. Right.	
15	A. So it's provisioned completely.	
16	Q. So when you say the FOC date, you mean	
17	the actual completion date?	
18	MR. O'SULLIVAN: He was saying the FOC	
19	completion date.	
20	Q. Because there's a difference between	
21	the FOC and the FOC completion date?	
22	A. I'm referring to the FOC completion	
23	date.	
24	Q. So you are saying from the time IDS	
25	submits an order until the time of the FOC	

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1	completion date, you get a disconnect?	
2	A. Correct.	
3	Q. Does a disconnect also include a	
4	cancellation of an order?	
5	A. I don't know.	
6	Q. The FOC was never completed, you were	
7	never connected; wouldn't you agree with that?	
8	A. Yes.	
9	Q. I mean, so the conversion had to take	
10	place if you are calling it a disconnect?	
11	A. Well, okay. What I'm saying more	
12	precisely is that before the FOC complete date,	
13	Bell won back the customer. The winning back of	
14	the customer, I was calling it disco.	
15	Q. So what I understand disco, discos in	
16	Hacker 1 is any loss of customer including	
17	disconnection?	
18	A. Any loss of customer including	
19	disconnection?	
20	MR. O'SULLIVAN: He's basically asking	
21	you whether the thing I just described, which	
22	is the customer gets won back before they	
23	actually get connected, is that really in	
24	here?	

From what we talked about in the

1 beginning, maybe it's not because they never 2 got connected, as Jim said, so how do they 3 get disconnected. That doesn't mean it's not something that IDS objects to or contributed 4 5 to its plight. 6 When you say discos in your exhibit, 0. what do you mean? 7 8 Α. It would include a case where --9 O. A cancellation? 10 Α. No. It doesn't --11 0. Okay. 12 Α. Let me back-up. What do you mean by 13 cancellation? 14 Q. I would consider what you are 15 describing to be a cancelled order where a 16 customer during the conversion process calls up IDS and says look, I don't really want to be your 17 18 customer. 19 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Does that happen? 20 Before they are even connected? 21 MR. MEZA: Yes. 22 Α. The point of my example of 23 anticompetitive practice is that, as I understand it, Bell is not entitled to do a win back or to 24

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We have a CRM program where we call 23 Α. customers who have disco'd. 24

> Are you personally familiar with that Q.

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1	program?	
2	A. It would depend on the question you	
3	have in mind.	
4	Q. I have talked to a lot of people who	
5	have provided me with information regarding the	
6	CRM, and are you the person that I should be	
7	talking to about that or somebody like Keith	
8	Kramer or Brad Hamilton or somebody that's	
9	actually testified about it?	
10	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.	
11	Q. Who is the person to actually talk	
12	about CRM?	
13	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.	
14	To the extent you know. You are asking him	
15	to identify the most knowledgeable person	
16	about that program in the company?	
17	MR. MEZA: Yes.	
18	MR. O'SULLIVAN: If you know.	
19	A. The most knowledgeable person in the	
20	program about the program is probably Fabio	
21	Galoppi.	
22	Q. Do you have any personal knowledge	
23	about the CRM, about contacting customers and	
24	asking them why they left?	
25	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.	

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1	You mean beyond	
2	MR. MEZA: He said it would depend on	
3	the question asked.	
4	Q. I just asked you a question, have you	
5	personally contacted any persons?	
6	A. I'm sorry. I misunderstood. No, I	
7	have not personally.	MAN I
8	Q. In coming to your understanding of the	
9	CRM, have you relied solely on information	
10	provided to you by other people?	
11	MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form.	
12	You can answer.	
13	A. Ask the question again, please.	
14	Q. Coming to your understanding of the CRM	
15	and what it does and the results it gets back from	
16	customers, are you relying solely on the	
17	information provided to you by other people?	
18	A. Yes.	
19	Q. Is the amount on page 10, line 2, of	
20	6.3 million, that is what you believe the	
21	commission should refund to IDS?	
22	A. I believe that there are multiple	
23	methods that could be used to determine the	
24	refund. The method that I used in this testimony	

was prepared with approximately two hours of

1 If I had more time, I believe that I 2 could develop a more complete and comprehensive 3 analysis. 4 Are you intending to change your 5 testimonv? 6 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form. 7 0. Are you going to change this figure 8 prior to trial? 9 MR. O'SULLIVAN: Object to the form. 10 don't think that's -- he speaks for the entirety of IDS of what harm has been caused. 11 12 Other witnesses have testified on that too. 13 I don't think he's retracting that. MR. MEZA: That's what I want to know. 14 I'm not retracting my statement here. 15 Α. 16 And just so I understand, that 6.3 0. 17 million is based upon the amount of lines that IDS 18 has lost in its entire customer base, not Florida 19 specific? 20 Α. That's correct. And the 15.43 million, that you are 21 Q. 22 referring to, the payment that IDS has paid 23 BellSouth, is that for Florida services only? 24 Α. No.

MR. MEZA: All right. I have no

further questions.

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MR. O'SULLIVAN: Does staff have any questions?

MS. HELTON: No.

MR. O'SULLIVAN: Just so the staff knows, there are four additional pages that the witness brought with him in response to the subpoena which asks for work papers that he had, and they look to be just back-up details, is the best way I can say it, to some of these billing disputes and other figures. And maybe we can make this one composite exhibit, and these are what he's produced.

And I'll have a copy made and then they can be attached, and I think that's fine.

We'll make it an exhibit. I'll just ask the witness one question,

## CROSS EXAMINATION

## BY MR. O'SULLIVAN:

Q. Am I correct, Mr. Hacker, that these pages that we are marking as Composite Hacker 1 are work papers that you prepared or relied on in reaching the calculations that are in your prefiled written testimony?

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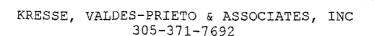
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