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CITIZENS FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

ORGANIZED PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA STEM CELL RESEARCH AND CURES ACT

REGULAR MEETING

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1	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA;
2	WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2013; 10:30 A.M.
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5	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: GOOD MORNING. THE
6	MEETING OF THE CITIZENS FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT
7	COMMITTEE WILL CONVENE. LET ME INDICATE TO THE
8	MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT YOU ARE INVITED TO
9	PROVIDE TESTIMONY AFTER EACH ITEM. AND LET ME THANK
10	SCAG FOR THEIR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF US HOLDING THIS
11	MEETING HERE.
12	SECOND, IF YOU MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU
13	WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES. AND NO. 3, I
14	WOULD ASK ALL TO TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONES.
15	SO ITEM NO. 1, LET US ALL STAND AND PLEDGE
16	ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.
17	(THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.)
18	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: ITEM NO. 2 IS CALL TO
19	ORDER AND ROLL CALL.
20	MS. HOLTON-HODSON: JOHN CHIANG.
21	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: PRESENT.
22	MS. HOLTON-HODSON: DANIEL BRUNNER.
23	MEMBER BRUNNER: PRESENT.
24	MS. HOLTON-HODSON: DR. KOVACH.
25	MEMBER KOVACH: PRESENT.
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MS. HOLTON-HODSON: DR. LIPSON.
MEMBER LIPSON: PRESENT.
MS. HOLTON-HODSON: JIM LOTT IS ABSENT.
AND DR. SADANA IS ABSENT, BUT IS PLANNING ON BEING
HERE. SO I THINK WE HAVE A QUORUM.
CHAIRMAN CHIANG: OKAY. ITEM NO. 3. GOOD
MORNING. I WANT TO THANK THE CITIZENS FINANCIAL
ACCOUNTABILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR BEING WITH US
THIS MORNING. I KNOW THESE MEETINGS TAKE TIME OUT
OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE, AND I APPRECIATE YOUR
INTEREST AND DEDICATION TO PROTECTING CALIFORNIA'S
SIGNIFICANT AND CRITICAL INVESTMENT IN STEM CELL
RESEARCH. I AM GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR YOUR
PARTICIPATION. I BELIEVE THE ROLE OF THIS COMMITTEE
HAS PLAYED IN PROVIDING THE NECESSARY OVERSIGHT ON
THIS INVESTMENT IS EXTRAORDINARILY IMPORTANT.
I THINK IT IS ESSENTIAL AND CRITICAL THAT
WE CONTINUE TO PUSH FOR TRANSPARENCY AND
ACCOUNTABILITY SO THAT CALIFORNIANS HAVE A CLEAR
UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THEIR \$6 BILLION OF PUBLIC
FUNDS ARE BEING INVESTED IN WHAT WE HOPE WILL BE A
HUGE AND SIGNIFICANT MEDICAL BREAKTHROUGH.
NOW WE MEET AGAIN TODAY MORE THAN EIGHT
YEARS AFTER THE VOTERS' PASSAGE OF PROPOSITION 71
AND WITH \$1.7 BILLION OF THE ORIGINAL \$3 BILLION IN
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1	BOND FUNDS COMMITTED.
2	SINCE WE LAST MET, CIRM HAS HAD TWO MAJOR
3	AUDITS, THE INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE AND THE FIRST
4	PERFORMANCE AUDIT REQUIRED OF SB 1064. IN ADDITION,
5	OUR STANDARD UPDATES FROM CIRM, I THINK IT WILL BE
6	USEFUL TO HEAR FROM THE AUTHORS OF BOTH AUDITS AND
7	THEIR RESPONSES TO CIRM'S ACTIONS ON THEIR
8	RECOMMENDATIONS. I LOOK FORWARD TO THESE
9	DI SCUSSI ONS.
10	AGAIN, THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE, AND I
11	WELCOME ANY INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY MY COLLEAGUES.
12	NEXT ITEM IS THE ADOPTION OF THE
13	TRANSCRIPT OF THE JANUARY 28, 2012, CFAOC MEETING.
14	IS THERE A MOTION?
15	MEMBER LIPSON: I SO MOVE.
16	MEMBER BRUNNER: SECOND.
17	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: WITHOUT OBJECTION,
18	UNANI MOUS APPROVAL.
19	NEXT ITEM IS ITEM 5. THAT IS THE 2011-12
20	INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL AUDIT, CIRM'S AUDIT RESPONSE,
21	AND THE STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE AUDIT REVIEW
22	REPORT. MAY I ASK A REPRESENTATIVE FROM MACIAS TO
23	PRESENT THEIR FINANCIAL AUDIT FINDINGS, PLEASE.
24	MS. WALKER-DAVEY: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME
25	IS SHELLY WALKER-DAVEY. I AM THE ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

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FOR MACIAS, GINI, O'CONNELL, AND I'M HERE TO PRESENT
OUR OPINIONS ON THE CIRM'S 2012 FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS.
WE HAVE AUDITED THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF CIRM FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012. THESE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF
CIRM'S MANAGEMENT, AND OUR RESPONSIBILITY IS TO
COLLECT SUFFICIENT AUDIT EVIDENCE TO RENDER AN
OPINION ON THOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.
OUR AUDIT WAS CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE TO
THE AUDITING STANDARDS GENERALLY ACCEPTED BY THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO
THE FINANCIAL AUDITS CONDUCTED UNDER THE
GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING STANDARDS ISSUED BY THE
COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES.
IN ADDITION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS,
CIRM'S MANAGEMENT IS ALSO RESPONSIBILE FOR THE
ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTAINING OF EFFECTIVE INTERNAL
CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING. SO IN PLANNING
AND PERFORMING OUR AUDIT, WE CONSIDERED CIRM'S
INTERNAL CONTROLS OR THE FINANCIAL REPORTING AS A
BASIS FOR DESIGNING OUR AUDIT PROCEDURES AND FOR THE
PURPOSE OF EXPRESSING OPINION ON THOSE FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS AND NOT FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPRESSING AN
OPINION ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THOSE INTERNAL
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1	CONTROLS.
2	AS PART OF OUR AUDIT, WE ALSO PERFORMED
3	TESTS OF ITS COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF
4	LAWS AND REGULATIONS WHICH COULD HAVE A DIRECT AND
5	MATERIAL EFFECT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE
6	AMOUNTS REPORTED ON THOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.
7	HOWEVER, IN PROVIDING AN OPINION FOR THE COMPLIANCE
8	OF THOSE PROVISIONS, IT WAS NOT THE OBJECTIVE OF OUR
9	AUDIT AND, ACCORDINGLY, WE DO NOT EXPRESS AN
10	OPI NI ON.
11	SO IN CONCLUSION, WE ARE PLEASED TO REPORT
12	WE HAVE ISSUED AN UNQUALIFIED OPINION ON THE
13	FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2012. WE NOTED
14	NO FINDINGS AS A RESULT OF OUR AUDIT.
15	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: VERY GOOD. THANK YOU.
16	THANK YOU FOR THAT REPORT. ARE THERE QUESTIONS FROM
17	THE COMMITTEE? OKAY. ANY COMMENTS FROM THE CIRM
18	STAFF? NO.
19	MS. WALKER-DAVEY: THANK YOU.
20	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: THANK YOU VERY KINDLY.
21	LET ME INVITE DAVID SUPAN FROM MY OFFICE TO PRESENT
22	THE REVIEW OF THE MACIAS FINANCIAL AUDIT.
23	MR. SUPAN: GOOD MORNING. I'M DAVID
24	SUPAN, AN AUDIT MANAGER WITH THE STATE CONTROLLER'S
25	OFFICE, FINANCIAL AUDITS BUREAU. I'M HERE TO
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1	PRESENT THE RESULTS OF SCO'S QUALITY CONTROL OF
2	MACIAS, GINI, & O'CONNELL'S AUDIT OF CIRM FOR THE
3	FISCAL YEAR 2011-12.
4	HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 12590.25(B)
5	REQUIRES SCO TO CONDUCT A QUALITY CONTROL REVIEW OF
6	CIRM'S ANNUAL AUDIT AND ISSUE A PUBLIC REPORT OF
7	THAT REVIEW. WE COMPARED THE AUDIT WORK PERFORMED
8	BY THE FIRM AS DOCUMENTED IN THEIR WORKING PAPERS
9	WITH APPLICABLE AUDITING STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS,
10	WHICH INCLUDE GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS,
11	GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS, AND
12	CALIFORNIA BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE
13	REQUI REMENTS.
14	WE DETERMINED THAT THE AUDIT WAS PERFORMED
15	IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE AUDITING STANDARDS
16	AND REQUIREMENTS. NO DEFICIENCIES WERE NOTED.
17	ANY QUESTIONS?
18	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: NO QUESTIONS FROM THE
19	COMMITTEE. ANY COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC?
20	WELCOME, DR. SADANA. AND LET THE MINUTES
21	REFLECT THAT.
22	THANK YOU, DAVID.
23	ITEM NO. 6, STATUS UPDATE OF CIRM'S
24	FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE, UPDATE OF GRANTS AWARDED, AND
25	GRANT PROCESS. I'D LIKE TO INVITE CIRM TO ADDRESS
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1	THIS ITEM, PLEASE.
2	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME
3	IS CHILA SILVA-MARTIN. I'M THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE.
4	I WAS APPOINTED TO THIS POSITION IN AUGUST OF 2012.
5	PRIOR TO THAT I'VE BEEN WITH CIRM SINCE 2009 SERVING
6	IN VARIOUS FINANCIAL CAPACITIES.
7	TODAY I WILL BE REPORTING ON THE FINAL
8	EXPENDITURES FOR THE 2011-12 FISCAL YEAR AS WELL AS
9	PROVIDING YOU A REPORT ON OUR CURRENT FINANCIAL
10	STATUS AND OUR 2012-13 EXPENDITURES THROUGH DECEMBER
11	2012.
12	SO IN YOUR BINDER UNDER TAB 6 YOU WILL
13	FIND OUR FINAL EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR THE 2011-12
14	FISCAL YEAR.
15	SO LOOKING AT THE FIRST CHART, IT'S THE
16	VERY HIGH LEVEL OF OUR EXPENDITURES. AND SO IN THE
17	FIRST SET OF BARS, THAT REPRESENTS OUR SALARIES AND
18	WAGES, OUR EMPLOYEE EXPENSES. WE WERE ALLOCATED A
19	TOTAL OF \$10.3 MILLION AND WE SPENT \$9.3 MILLION, SO
20	WE HAD A SAVINGS OF ABOUT A MILLION DOLLARS IN THAT
21	CATEGORY.
22	FOR ALL OF OUR OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES,
23	WE WERE ALLOCATED A TOTAL OF \$8.2 MILLION AND SPENT
24	6.2 MILLION, A SAVINGS OF ABOUT \$2 MILLION. SO
25	OVERALL, THE DEPARTMENT EXPERIENCED A SAVINGS FOR

1	THE 11-12 FISCAL YEAR OF ABOUT \$3.1 MILLION.
2	SO MOVING ON TO THE NEXT SHEET, IT GIVES
3	US A COMPARISON OF THE FINAL EXPENDITURES AGAINST
4	THE BUDGET. SO I'M GOING TO JUST LOOK AT A COUPLE
5	OF THE VARIANCES THAT WE HAD PRETTY SIGNIFICANT
6	SAVINGS. THE FIRST ONE IN IS OUR EMPLOYEE EXPENSES.
7	AND THE REASON THAT WE HAD A MILLION DOLLAR SAVINGS
8	THERE IS THAT WE HAD VARIOUS POSITIONS VACANT,
9	SEVERAL OF THEM HIGH LEVEL POSITIONS THAT WERE
10	VACANT FOR A SIGNIFICANT PART OF THE FISCAL YEAR.
11	FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAD A MEDICAL OFFICER POSITION THAT
12	WAS VACANT THE ENTIRE FISCAL YEAR. OUR DIRECTOR OF
13	PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS POSITION WAS NOT FILLED TILL
14	APRIL OF 2012, AND OUR I.T. DIRECTOR WAS FILLED AT
15	ABOUT THE SAME TIME. AND THEN WE HAD ABOUT FIVE TO
16	SIX OTHER POSITIONS THAT WERE VACANT ANYWHERE FROM
17	TWO TO FOUR MONTHS.
18	SO THE SAVINGS THAT WE'RE SEEING FOR
19	EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION IS REALLY THE SALARIES AND
20	WAGES FOR THOSE POSITIONS AND THE BENEFITS. WE ALSO
21	EXPERIENCED SOME MINOR SAVINGS FOR MERIT SALARY
22	ADJUSTMENTS BECAUSE THESE DID NOT GO INTO EFFECT
23	UNTIL AUGUST 1ST.
24	MOVING ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE, WHICH IS A
25	COMPARISON OF OUR FINAL EXPENDITURES FOR 11-12
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AGAINST THOSE FOR THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR, WHICH WAS
10-11. SO IN LOOKING AT THESE EXPENSES, OUR
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES WENT UP IN 11-12, AND THAT IS
BECAUSE AS OF JUNE 30, 2011, WE HAD 46 POSITIONS
FILLED AND AS OF JUNE 2012 WE HAD 54 POSITIONS.
ANOTHER AREA WHERE WE EXPERIENCED SOME
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE COST WERE IN OUR
SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS. IN THAT AREA, THE REASON THAT
THE COSTS WERE HIGHER WAS BECAUSE WE HAVE A GRANTEE
MEETING EVERY 18 MONTHS, AND THOSE COSTS WERE
INCURRED IN THE 11-12 FISCAL YEAR. AND ALSO WE HAD
COSTS FOR INDIVIDUALS ATTENDING THE WORLD STEM CELL
SUMMI T.
MEMBER KOVACH: COULD YOU COMMENT ON THE
GRANT REVIEW VARIANCE?
MS. SILVA-MARTIN: THE GRANT REVIEW. YES.
THE VARIANCE OR IN OVERALL?
MEMBER KOVACH: JUST THE VARIANCE OF 49
PERCENT.
MS. SILVA-MARTIN: I CAN. I'M SORRY. I
MEANT TO DO THAT. I APOLOGIZE.
SO THE GRANT REVIEW, WHAT HAPPENED FOR THE
GRANT REVIEW IS FOR THE FIRST TIME LAST YEAR, AFTER
DR. FEIGAL HERE JOINED OUR STAFF, WE CONVENED THE
CLINICAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY PANELS. AND SO WHEN
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1	WE SET THE BUDGET FOR 11-12, WE HAD NO EXPERIENCE IN
2	CONDUCTING THESE TYPES OF PANELS. AND SO WHAT WE
3	DID WAS WE BUDGETED FOR THOSE PANELS AT \$125,000
4	BASED ON WHAT WE WERE SPENDING FOR OUR GRANT
5	REVIEWS. WELL, WE ACTUALLY ONLY CONVENED THREE OF
6	THOSE PANELS, AND THE COSTS WERE SIGNIFICANTLY LESS
7	THAN WHAT WE HAD BUDGETED.
8	SIMILARLY, FOR OUR GRANTS REVIEW, OUR
9	STAFF WORKED REALLY HARD, AND ALTHOUGH WE HELD ALL
10	OF OUR MEETINGS, THEY CAME IN LOWER THAN WHAT WAS
11	ACTUALLY BUDGETED. SO THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE SEEING A
12	BIG DIFFERENCE.
13	MEMBER KOVACH: THANK YOU.
14	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: I CAN ALSO PROVIDE SOME
15	INPUT ON THE CONTRACTS AS WELL. WE HAD SAVINGS IN
16	THAT AREA. AND THE SAVINGS THERE WERE REALLY
17	ATTRIBUTED TO COSTS THAT DID NOT MATERIALIZE AT THE
18	LEVEL THAT WE EXPECTED OR THAT THEY DID NOT
19	MATERIALIZE AT ALL. FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAVE AN ANNUAL
20	REPORT. AND IN THAT ANNUAL REPORT WE HAD
21	SIGNIFICANT SAVINGS. WE USUALLY HIRE WRITERS AND
22	PHOTOGRAPHERS, AND WE HAD SAVINGS IN THAT AREA.
23	ALSO AT MANY OF OUR MEETINGS WE HAVE
24	SPOTLIGHTS. AND IN THE PAST WE PAID FOR SOMEBODY TO
25	DO THE VIDEOTAPING OF THOSE SPOTLIGHTS, AND WE

1	BROUGHT THAT IN-HOUSE. SO WE HAD SAVINGS IN THAT
2	AREA.
3	THE MAJORITY OF THE SAVINGS WAS IN OUR
4	CONTRACTING FOR ALLIANCE MANAGEMENT. THAT'S AN
5	INDIVIDUAL WHO PROVIDES SUPPORT FOR OUR
6	COLLABORATIVE FUNDING FUNCTION. AND THE COST JUST
7	DID NOT MATERIALIZE AT THE LEVEL THAT WE HAD
8	ANTICIPATED, AND THAT'S THE SAME THING THAT HAPPENED
9	WITH OUR LEGAL CONTRACTS. WE HAD BUDGETED A CERTAIN
10	AMOUNT, AND THEY JUST DID NOT COME IN AT THE LEVEL
11	THAT WAS BUDGETED.
12	MEMBER LIPSON: EXCUSE ME. I JUST WANTED
13	TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE LEGAL CONTRACTS YOU
14	HAVE. DO YOU NOT HAVE IN-HOUSE COUNSEL?
15	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: WE DO HAVE IN-HOUSE
16	COUNSEL. J.T., WOULD YOU LIKE TO COMMENT ON THAT?
17	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: WE DO HAVE IN-HOUSE
18	COUNSEL, BUT THERE ARE CERTAIN INSTANCES WHERE WE
19	FELT THAT THE EXPERTISE NEEDED IN A PARTICULAR AREA
20	WARRANTED HAVING OUTSIDE COUNSEL IN ADDITION TO
21	IN-HOUSE COUNSEL. AND, OF COURSE, WE HAVE OUR
22	PRINCIPAL EXPENDITURE IN THAT REGARD IS WITH MR.
23	HARRISON, WHO REPRESENTS THE BOARD, BUT IS OUTSIDE
24	OF CIRM. AND IT PERFORMS CRITICAL FUNCTIONS ON A
25	VIRTUALLY HOURLY BASIS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.
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1	MEMBER LIPSON: WHAT DO YOU MEAN HOURLY
2	BASIS, SIR?
3	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: WE TALK TO JAMES ALL THE
4	TIME. I DON'T MEAN THAT HE IT HAD NOTHING TO DO
5	WITH HIS BILLING PRACTICES. THIS IS JUST A
6	REFERENCE TO HOW FREQUENTLY WE CONFER AND HOW MUCH
7	WE DEPEND UPON HIM AS COUNSEL TO THE BOARD.
8	MEMBER LIPSON: AND HOW MUCH IS SPENT ON
9	THE OUTSIDE LEGAL CONTRACTS?
10	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: ABOUT \$500,000.
11	MEMBER LIPSON: HOW MUCH IS SPENT WITH
12	YOUR IN-HOUSE COUNSEL?
13	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: I DON'T HAVE THAT RIGHT
14	OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD, BUT I CAN PROVIDE THAT
15	INFORMATION TO YOU.
16	MEMBER LIPSON: THANK YOU.
17	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: ARE THERE ANY OTHER
18	QUESTIONS ON THE 11-12 BUDGET?
19	MEMBER SADANA: THIS WAS ASKED LAST YEAR,
20	THE SAME QUESTION, AND I DON'T THINK WE GOT A CLEAR
21	ANSWER AT THAT TIME.
22	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: REGARDING THE LEGAL
23	CONTRACTS?
24	MEMBER SADANA: YES.
25	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: WE CAN GO BACK AND TAKE
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1	A LOOK AT THAT INFORMATION, AND WE CAN PROVIDE YOU
2	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO OUR LEGAL
3	CONTRACTS.
4	ANYTHING ELSE ON 11-12?
5	GREAT. SO THEN WHAT I'M GOING TO DO IS
6	MOVE ON TO THE 12-13
7	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: POINT OF CLARIFICATION.
8	FOR EXTERNAL SERVICES, IT SAYS LEGAL 1.3. SO THE
9	\$500,000 WAS TO JIM'S FIRM?
10	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE
11	1.3 IS WHAT WE BUDGETED IN THE CURRENT YEAR, BUT OUR
12	EXPENDITURE RATE AT THIS TIME IS NOWHERE NEAR THAT
13	AMOUNT. SO WE ARE EXPERIENCING SAVINGS. JUST LIKE
14	WE DID LAST YEAR, WE ARE ALSO EXPERIENCING SAVINGS
15	IN THE CURRENT YEAR.
16	YOU HAVE THE LEGAL BUDGET. ACTUALLY I DO
17	HAVE IT. YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. THANK YOU,
18	MARIA.
19	SO WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SET OF CHARTS,
20	AND THAT ACTUALLY GIVES US THE INFORMATION ON OUR
21	LEGAL OFFICE AND OUR COSTS THERE. AND YOU HAVE
22	ASKED SO WE HAVE BUDGETED FOR LEGAL SERVICES.
23	OUR STAFF IS A MILLION DOLLARS, \$1,060,000. AND
24	THAT INCLUDES THE STAFF FOR THE LEGAL OFFICE AND ALL
25	THEIR SALARIES AND WAGES AND THEIR BENEFITS. SO YOU
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1	CAN SEE THAT ON PAGE 9 OF THE 2012-13 BUDGET. THAT
2	IS, I BELIEVE, IN YOUR FOLDER UNDER TAB 6A.
3	AND ACTUALLY I WAS GOING TO IF I CAN
4	MOVE ON TO 12-13, I WAS GOING TO TALK A LITTLE BIT
5	ABOUT THE BUDGET DEVELOPMENT AND THE PROCESS THAT WE
6	WENT THROUGH IN DEVELOPING THE 12-13 BUDGET, IF
7	THAT'S OKAY WITH YOU.
8	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: YES.
9	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: GREAT. SO TO TALK A
10	LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE 2012-13 BUDGET, IN YOUR BINDERS
11	UNDER TAB 6A, YOU WILL SEE THE CURRENT YEAR BUDGET.
12	AND JUST TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE BIT OF BACKGROUND ON
13	THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BUDGET LAST YEAR. WHEN THE
14	ORGANIZATION WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED, WE SET UP FOUR
15	COST CENTERS. AND THEY WERE REALLY BY AREA OF
16	RESPONSIBILITY. WE HAD THE SCIENCE OFFICE, THE
17	OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIR,
18	AND ADMINISTRATION. SO WE ONLY HAD FOUR COST
19	CENTERS.
20	IN THOSE FOUR COST CENTERS, ALL OF OUR
21	I.T. COSTS WERE CAPTURED EITHER UNDER THE SCIENCE
22	OFFICE OR UNDER ADMINISTRATION. SO OUR GRANTS
23	MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, WE CAPTURED COSTS INTO THE
24	SCIENCE OFFICE. AND THEN OUR DESKTOP SUPPORT, OUR
25	WEB SITE, THAT WAS ALL CAPTURED UNDER
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1	ADMINISTRATION.
2	SIMILARLY, OUR LEGAL COSTS WERE CAPTURED
3	UNDER THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OR THE OFFICE OF
4	THE CHAIR, DEPENDING ON WHICH UNIT IT WAS
5	SUPPORTI NG.
6	AND THEN, FINALLY, OUR PUBLIC
7	COMMUNICATIONS COSTS WERE CAPTURED UNDER
8	ADMI NI STRATI ON.
9	SO AS THE AGENCY HAS GROWN, IT MADE MORE
10	SENSE TO REDESIGN THE BUDGET TO CAPTURE OUR COSTS BY
11	FUNCTIONAL AREA. SO THAT'S WHAT WE'VE DONE FOR THE
12	2012-13 FISCAL YEAR. SO WHAT WE DID IS WE TOOK THE
13	SCIENCE OFFICE AND WE SPLIT IT INTO TWO SEPARATE
14	COST CENTERS. WE HAVE THE SCIENCE OFFICE RESEARCH,
15	WHICH IS UNDER DR. OLSON, AND THEY'RE RESPONSIBLE
16	FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE RFA'S, REVIEWS OF THE GRANTS,
17	AND MONITORING OF THE PROGRESS ON THOSE GRANTS. AND
18	THEN WE HAVE THE SCIENCE OFFICE DEVELOPMENT THAT IS
19	UNDER DR. FEIGAL, AND SHE'S RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
20	DISEASE TEAMS AND REVIEW OF THOSE PROJECTS.
21	WE HAVE NOW THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
22	AND IT NO LONGER INCLUDES ANY OF THE LEGAL COSTS.
23	WE HAVE THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIR, AND THAT ALSO DOES
24	NOT INCLUDE LEGAL COSTS.
25	SO WE BASICALLY ADDED THREE UNITS. WE NOW
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1	HAVE AN I.T. UNIT THAT CAPTURES ALL OF OUR
2	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COSTS. WE POOLED ALL THE
3	COSTS THAT WERE IN THE SCIENCE OFFICE AND FINANCE
4	AND PUT THEM UNDER THAT UNIT. WE NOW HAVE A BUDGET
5	AND A SEPARATE COST CENTER FOR THE PUBLIC
6	COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE AS WELL AS FOR THE LEGAL
7	OFFICE. SO HAVING THIS BUDGET REALLY ALLOWS US TO
8	PROVIDE FOR TRANSPARENCY IN THOSE TYPE OF COSTS.
9	AND SO AS YOU FLIP THROUGH THE DIFFERENT
10	PAGES, YOU CAN SEE THE DIFFERENT BUDGETS THAT WERE
11	ESTABLISHED FOR EACH OF THE DIFFERENT UNITS.
12	THERE'S ONE OF NINE PAGES THAT ESTABLISHES
13	THERE'S A SUMMARY AT THE FRONT END, AND THEN THERE'S
14	A PAGE FOR EACH ONE OF THE COST CENTERS.
15	SO I WANTED TO THEN MOVE ON TO THE
16	EXPENDITURES THAT WE'VE RECORDED THROUGH THIS FISCAL
17	YEAR, IF I MAY, AND THEN JUST PROVIDE YOU WITH A
18	BRIEF UPDATE ON OUR FINANCES.
19	SO LOOKING AT THE NEXT POWERPOINT
20	PRESENTATION, I BELIEVE THIS IS UNDER TAB 6C IN YOUR
21	BINDERS. I JUST WANTED TO BRIEFLY PROVIDE YOU WITH
22	SOME INFORMATION ON OUR CURRENT FINANCES. SO GRANT
23	DISBURSEMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER OF THIS FISCAL YEAR
24	HAVE TOTALED \$79 MILLION AS COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS
25	FISCAL YEAR WHERE WE HAD DISBURSED \$109.8 MILLION.

1	WE HAVE \$70.5 MILLION OF CASH AVAILABLE AS OF
2	DECEMBER, AND THE MAJORITY OF THAT MONEY IS MADE UP
3	OF COMMERCIAL PAPER.
4	SO THROUGH 2011-12 WE WERE ACTUALLY FUNDED
5	WITH BOND PROCEEDS. AND DURING THE 11-12 FISCAL
6	YEAR, WE ACTUAL RECEIVED \$50.8 MILLION FROM THE
7	OCTOBER 2011 BOND PROCEEDS. BUT STARTING WITH THE
8	CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BEGAN
9	FUNDING US WITH COMMERCIAL PAPER. SO FOR THE FIRST
10	SIX MONTHS OF THIS FISCAL YEAR, WE RECEIVED \$106
11	MILLION. IN JANUARY WE RECEIVED \$15 MILLION, AND
12	IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT WE WILL BE RECEIVING
13	ABOUT \$27 MILLION AT THE END OF THIS MONTH.
14	SO STAFF IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIR WORKS
15	CONTINUALLY WITH THE STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE AND
16	THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE IN PROVIDING THEM WITH
17	INFORMATION SO THAT THEY CAN PROVIDE US WITH
18	COMMERCIAL PAPER FUNDING SO WE CAN MEET OUR
19	FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS.
20	THE REASON, IT'S OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT
21	THEY WENT TO COMMERCIAL PAPER BECAUSE IT'S
22	SHORT-TERM FUNDING AND WE CAN GET THIS AT A LOWER
23	COST FOR THE STATE, SO THAT'S A GOOD THING.
24	MOVING ON TO OUR ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FOR
25	THE FISCAL YEAR, AND JUST PROVIDING YOU WITH A VERY
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1	HIGH LEVEL OVERVIEW OF OUR EXPENDITURES AS COMPARED,
2	AGAIN, TO THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR. AND I'M JUST
3	GOING TO FOCUS ON SOME OF THE VARIANCES. AS YOU CAN
4	SEE, OUR EMPLOYEE EXPENSES ARE UP IN THIS FISCAL
5	YEAR. AND THAT IS WE SPENT A TOTAL OF \$7.4 MILLION
6	THIS FISCAL YEAR THUS FAR AS COMPARED TO \$6.4
7	MILLION IN THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR.
8	OUR EMPLOYEE EXPENSES ARE UP BECAUSE WE
9	HAVE ACTUALLY GONE FROM 50 POSITIONS THAT WERE
10	FILLED AS OF LAST DECEMBER TO 58 THAT ARE FILLED
11	THIS PAST DECEMBER.
12	ANOTHER AREA WHERE OUR COSTS HAVE GONE UP
13	IS IN OUR REVIEWS MEETING AND WORKSHOPS. NOW, LAST
14	YEAR DURING THE SAME TIME PERIOD, WE HELD TWO
15	REVIEWS AND WE HAD THE GRANTEE MEETING THAT IS HELD
16	EVERY 18 MONTHS. THIS YEAR OUR STAFF HAVE HELD
17	SEVEN DIFFERENT VARIOUS GRANT REVIEW MEETINGS FOR
18	THE FIRST HALF OF THE FISCAL YEAR. SO THAT'S THE
19	FACTOR THAT'S IMPACTING THE INCREASE IN OUR COSTS
20	THERE.
21	AND THE OTHER COST IS THAT WE ALSO ALL
22	THE OTHER COSTS ARE PRETTY STANDARD. OUR TRAVEL
23	COSTS ARE DOWN A LITTLE BIT THIS FISCAL YEAR. AND
24	THAT'S PRETTY MUCH IT IN TERMS OF THE EXPENDITURES
25	FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

1	THE NEXT TWO CHARTS ARE GOING TO COVER OUR
2	6-PERCENT ADMINISTRATIVE CAP. AS YOU MAY RECALL,
3	PROPOSITION 71 PLACES RIGOROUS CAPS ON CIRM'S
4	GENERAL AND GRANT ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES. WE ARE
5	LIMITED TO \$180 MILLION THROUGH THE TERM OF OUR
6	LIFE. AND SO THIS FIRST CHART, THE PIE CHART,
7	REFLECTS WHAT WE'VE ACTUALLY SPENT OF THAT \$180
8	MILLION. SO THROUGH JUNE OF 2012, WE HAVE SPENT
9	\$61.4 MILLION FOR GENERAL AND GRANT ADMINISTRATION,
10	AND THAT'S THE BLUE PIECE OF THE PIE.
11	FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, I'M PROJECTING THAT
12	WE'RE GOING TO SPEND \$14.3 MILLION AS REPRESENTED BY
13	THE ORANGE SLICE, WHICH LEAVES US ABOUT \$104.3
14	MILLION TO CARRY US THROUGH THE REMAINDER OF THE
15	FISCAL YEAR.
16	CIRM RECOGNIZES THAT IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE
17	HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE ORGANIZATION
18	THROUGH THE CLOSEOUT OF OUR LAST AWARD. AS SUCH, WE
19	PUT TOGETHER SOME BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS WHICH ARE
20	REFLECTED IN THE NEXT CHART THAT SHOWS THAT WE
21	WILL OUR LAST AWARDS WILL GO OUT IN 16-17, AND
22	THEN AFTER THAT WE'LL START SCALING DOWN AND BE ABLE
23	TO SUPPORT THE ORGANIZATION THROUGH THE LAST AWARD
24	IN 20-21 FISCAL YEAR.
25	AND THEN THE LAST CHART I WANTED TO SHARE
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1	WITH YOU, WHICH IS UNDER TAB 6B, IS JUST THE
2	CONTROLLER MENTIONED THAT WE HAD ALREADY AWARDED
3	\$1.7 BILLION. AND SO I WANTED TO THIS SHOWS
4	WHERE WE ARE WITH OUR \$3 BILLION. SO AS OF
5	DECEMBER, WE'VE AWARDED ALMOST \$1.8 BILLION IN
6	GRANTS. WE ALSO, AS YOU MAY RECALL, PROPOSITION 71
7	REQUIRED THAT CIRM BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING THE
8	INTEREST ON INTERIM DEBT THROUGH THE FIRST FIVE
9	YEARS AS WELL AS PAYING THE COST OF ISSUING THAT
10	DEBT AND ANY ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH
11	THAT.
12	SO AS OF DECEMBER 2012, THAT AMOUNT EQUALS
13	ALMOST \$50 MILLION. THE MAJORITY OF IT BEING MADE
14	UP OF INTEREST THAT WAS PAID ON THE INTERIM FUNDING.
15	AND THEN WE'VE SPENT ALMOST \$68 MILLION IN
16	GENERAL AND GRANT ADMIN SUPPORT, LEAVING US A
17	BALANCE OF \$1.1 BILLION TO SUPPORT OPERATIONAL COSTS
18	FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR AS WELL AS ANY GRANTS
19	THAT WE WILL AWARD THAT HAVE EITHER BEEN CONCEPT
20	APPROVED OR FOR FUTURE AWARDS.
21	THIS CONCLUDES THE FINANCE REPORT. I'M
22	HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE.
23	MEMBER KOVACH: I HAD A QUESTION. DO YOU
24	FORESEE, AS YOU MOVE FORWARD, SOME OF THE VARIANCES
25	COMING DOWN BECAUSE IT SEEMS NOW YOU'RE RIGHT IN THE

1	MIDDLE KIND OF A HIGH. YOU HAVE A LOT OF ACTIVITIES
2	THAT ARE GOING ON. YOU'RE STILL DOING NEW THINGS.
3	IT'S KIND OF LIKE IS IT FAIR TO DESCRIBE IT AS KIND
4	OF THE PEAK OF THAT PROCESS? AND THE CLOSER YOU
5	GET, THAT MODEL WILL BASICALLY KIND OF
6	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: IT WILL BECAUSE RIGHT
7	NOW WE HOLD GRANTS WORKING GROUP MEETINGS, FOR
8	EXAMPLE, FOR THE REVIEWS AND THOSE WILL NO LONGER
9	HAPPEN AFTER WE MAKE OUR LAST AWARD. WE WILL
10	CONTINUE TO HAVE THE ADVISORY PANELS THAT DR. FEIGAL
11	CHAIRS BECAUSE WE WILL HAVE TO MAKE DECISIONS ON
12	THOSE AWARDS, WHETHER THEY'RE MEETING THEIR
13	MILESTONES, WE'LL BE MAKING GO/NO-GO DECISIONS. SO
14	SOME OF THOSE COSTS WILL CONTINUE, BUT CERTAINLY A
15	LOT OF THOSE COSTS WILL GO AWAY AS WE MOVE FORWARD
16	AND WE'RE BASICALLY JUST MANAGING WHAT'S BEEN
17	AWARDED.
18	ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
19	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: CAN YOU GIVE ME AN
20	UPDATE ON THE CFO POSITION?
21	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: I'LL TAKE THAT ONE. SO
22	AS YOU KNOW, LAST YEAR WE HAD MATT PLUNKETT, WHO WAS
23	HERE AS OUR CFO, AND HE PERFORMED A LOT OF FUNCTIONS
24	FOR THE AGENCY. IN ADDITION TO OVERSEEING ALL OF
25	THE THINGS THAT CHILA HAS REPORTED ON HERE, HE HAD A
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1	PROMINENT ROLE AS WELL IN HELPING OUR GENERAL
2	COUNSEL IN BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. AND HE
3	DECIDED WHAT MONTH DID MATT LEAVE?
4	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: JULY.
5	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: JULY. HE CAME FROM OUT
6	OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR, AND HE DECIDED HE GOT AN
7	OFFER BACK IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR WHICH HE DECIDED TO
8	TAKE. ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT HE HAD NOTED WAS THAT
9	HE DIDN'T THINK THAT THERE WAS REALLY ENOUGH WORK TO
10	FULLY EMPLOY A CFO AT CIRM IN DOING ALL OF THIS, THE
11	BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, AND SO THAT AFFECTED HIS
12	DECI SI ON.
13	WHEN HE LEFT, WE HAD THE TWO DIFFERENT
14	ROLES THAT HE WAS PERFORMING VERY CAPABLY MOVED TO
15	CHILA, WHO HAS NOW TAKEN OVER ALL OF THE INTERNAL
16	FINANCIAL MATTERS THAT YOU HEARD ABOUT TODAY. AND
17	THEN WE HIRED ANOTHER FELLOW TO DIRECTLY ADDRESS
18	BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ISSUES. AND HE STARTED
19	MS. CAMPE: NOVEMBER 27TH.
20	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: ROUGHLY NOVEMBER
21	27TH. SO THE ISSUE, THEN, IS IS THERE A REAL NEED
22	FOR A CFO GOING FORWARD. AND GIVEN THAT WE'VE GOT
23	THOSE TASKS VERY CAPABLY COVERED IN-HOUSE ALREADY
24	AND THE FACT THAT MATT DIDN'T FEEL THERE WAS REALLY
25	AN ADEQUATE AMOUNT TO KEEP HIM FULLY BUSY, THAT'S
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1	SORT OF THE TOPIC THAT'S STILL ONGOING.
2	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: SO YOU ARE GOING TO
3	CONTINUE WITH THE SAME STRUCTURE?
4	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: I THINK WE'RE GOING
5	WE PLAN TO CONTINUE ALONG. ELLEN, FEEL FREE TO
6	COMMENT ON THIS. BUT I THINK WE FEEL RIGHT NOW THAT
7	BETWEEN CHILA AND OUR NEW EMPLOYEE THAT WE HAVE SORT
8	OF THE WATERFRONT FULLY COVERED. AND, OF COURSE,
9	THE OTHER FINANCIAL ISSUE THAT WE DEAL WITH IS THE
10	BOND FINANCING, WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT I HANDLE
11	WITH LYNN HARWELL AND MY STAFF, WHO'S INTERFACED
12	WITH DOF AND WITH THE STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE FOR
13	MANY YEARS.
14	AND I, AS YOU KNOW, COME OUT OF THE BOND
15	BUSINESS. SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I MONITOR VERY
16	CAREFULLY AND DEAL BOTH ON THE FINANCIAL ASPECT OF
17	IT, THE LEGAL ASPECT OF IT. WE HAVE A LOT OF THINGS
18	THAT GO ON AND A LOT OF DISCUSSIONS WITH BOND
19	COUNSEL ON VARIOUS TOPICS RELATED TO OUR FUNDING.
20	AND, OF COURSE, I ALSO DEAL WITH THE POLITICAL
21	OFFICES, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES, THAT OVERSEE THE
22	BOND PROGRAM FOR THE STATE. THAT'S PROCEEDING
23	ALONG, I THINK, WELL AS WELL. I THINK BETWEEN ALL
24	OF US HERE, WE'VE GOT EVERYTHING COVERED.
25	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: ANY QUESTIONS? LET ME
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1	ASK THE QUESTION ABOUT THE TRANSPARENCY ISSUE, ABOUT
2	THE IDENTIFYING THE DONORS AND PLACING IT ON THE WEB
3	SITE. WE HAD A CONVERSATION LAST YEAR ON THAT
4	SUBJECT. CAN YOU GIVE ME AN UPDATE?
5	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: THAT'S CORRECT. WE DID
6	HAVE ONE DONATION DURING THE 11-12 FISCAL YEAR. AND
7	I DID NOT REALIZE THAT WE WERE SUPPOSED TO BE
8	POSTING THAT. I DID NOT REALIZE THAT WE HAD MADE
9	THAT COMMITMENT, SO I APOLOGIZE FOR THAT. BUT I AM
10	NOW FULLY AWARE OF IT AND WE WILL MOVE FORWARD IN
11	DOING THAT.
12	SO WE HAVE THE ONE DONATION THAT'S IN OUR
13	AUDIT AND WAS ABOUT \$21,000. AND IT WAS
14	SPECIFICALLY TO ALLOW SOME OF OUR STAFF TO GO TO THE
15	ANNUAL ISSCR MEETING.
16	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: SO ARE YOU GOING TO
17	DISCLOSE, GOING FORWARD ARE YOU GOING TO DISCLOSE
18	ALL DONORS? ARE YOU GOING TO ASK PRIOR DONORS TO
19	IDENTIFY THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS AND POST THAT?
20	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: WE GENERALLY MAKE AN
21	ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE ICOC BOARD WHENEVER WE HAVE
22	DONATIONS. WE HAVEN'T HAD ANY FOR A WHILE. WHEN I
23	FIRST STARTED, I THINK WE HAD A GROUP OF TWO
24	GROUPS, DIFFERENT GROUPS, THAT HAD DONATED ANYWHERE
25	FROM \$5 TO A \$100, AND WE DID DISCLOSE THAT AT OUR
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1	ICOC BOARD MEETINGS. SO I'M NOT SURE WHETHER
2	THERE'S ANY OTHER DISCLOSURE THAT NEEDS TO BE MADE.
3	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: HOW ABOUT ON THE WEB
4	SITE? YOU DISCLOSED IT IN THE MEETINGS, BUT ARE YOU
5	GOING TO POST IT SO WHOEVER REVIEWS
6	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: SURE. WE'LL BE ABLE TO
7	DO THAT.
8	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: VERY GOOD.
9	MS. SILVA-MARTIN: ANYTHING ELSE? ANY
10	OTHER QUESTIONS?
11	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: CAN YOU GIVE ME MORE
12	DETAIL ABOUT THE LOAN PROGRAM, THE CURRENT THINKING?
13	DR. FEIGAL: WELL, I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU A
14	BRIEF PRESENTATION ON THE STATUS OF THE LOAN PROGRAM
15	TODAY. AND THEN WE HAVE BEEN CONTINUALLY REFINING
16	THE LOAN PROGRAM IN RESPONSE TO INDUSTRY
17	INTERACTIONS WITH US. AND AT THIS POINT IN TIME,
18	WE'RE RECEPTIVE TO CONTINUE TO DO THAT, BUT AT THIS
19	POINT IN TIME, IT SEEMS AS THOUGH THE PROGRAM TO
20	DATE IS BEING ACCEPTED AS IT GOES FORTH. AND WE
21	ALSO AT THIS POINT ALSO ALLOW INDUSTRY TO ACCEPT
22	EITHER A LOAN OR A GRANT. SO WE DO ALLOW THEM THAT
23	OPTION SO THEY CAN STATE THEIR PREFERENCE.
24	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: SO CAN YOU GIVE ME A
25	BETTER SENSE OF WHEN YOU MOVE FORWARD WITH A GRANT
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1	AND WHEN YOU GO FORWARD WITH A LOAN, HOW IT ACTUALLY
2	OPERATES IN PRACTICE? WE READ ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE,
3	WE HEAR ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE.
4	DR. FEIGAL: YOU MEAN WHAT OPTIONS WE LET
5	BE OFFERED? I THINK INITIALLY IN CIRM'S HISTORY WE
6	STARTED WITH TRYING TO PROVIDE LOANS TO INDUSTRY FOR
7	FOR-PROFITS WITH THE THOUGHT THAT THE INTEREST FROM
8	THOSE LOANS MIGHT ACCRUE TO A POINT THAT IT WOULD
9	ADD TO THE SUSTAINABILITY OF THE INSTITUTE. I THINK
10	THAT WE FOUND THAT IN REALITY, GIVEN THE FACT THAT
11	THESE WOULD NOT COME DUE UNTIL THERE ARE ACTUAL
12	REVENUES BEING PRODUCED BY THESE PRODUCTS, WHICH
13	WOULD BE YEARS IN THE MAKING, AND BECAUSE THERE WAS
14	QUITE A BIT OF INITIAL INTERACTIONS AND I WOULD SAY
15	FRICTION IN TERMS OF ACCEPTING SOME OF THE TERMS,
16	WE'VE DECIDED TO BE MORE FLEXIBLE IN TERMS OF
17	OFFERING LOANS OR GRANT AWARDS TO INDUSTRY.
18	AND THIS WAS REALLY DONE IN DISCUSSIONS
19	WITH THEM. SO WE STILL, FOR EXAMPLE, OUR LATEST
20	DISEASE TEAM II AWARD FOR FOR-PROFITS DID HAVE THAT
21	LOAN FOR FOR-PROFITS, AND WE DID ENACT THOSE FOR
22	THAT PARTICULAR INITIATIVE. BUT FOR SUBSEQUENT
23	ONES, WE DO HAVE FLEXIBILITY AT THIS POINT.
24	AND WE'RE CONTINUALLY ASSESSING THAT AND
25	THEN MAKING DETERMINATION WHETHER OR NOT WE NEED TO
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REFINE IT. I DON'T KNOW IF JAMES HAS ANY OTHER
INPUTS HE WANTS TO ADD ON THAT.
CHAIRMAN CHIANG: WATCHING FROM THE
OUTSIDE, WHY WOULDN'T I, JUST IF I'M IN THE PRIVATE
SECTOR, JUST ASK FOR GRANTS? I DON'T WANT A LOAN.
I DON'T WANT IT UNDER ANY CONDITION.
DR. FEIGAL: JUST SO YOU KNOW, IN OUR RFA,
IN OUR CALL FOR SOLICITATIONS, WE CLEARLY STATE WHAT
THE OPTIONS ARE. SO IN OUR INITIATIVE RIGHT OFF THE
BAT WE MAKE IT VERY CLEAR AND TRANSPARENT WHETHER OR
NOT FOR-PROFITS NEED TO TAKE A LOAN OR WHETHER OR
NOT THEY WANT TO TAKE AN AWARD. SO WE MAKE THAT
VERY CLEAR.
YOU MEAN WHY WOULD INDUSTRY PREFER TO TAKE
ONE OVER THE OTHER? IT PROBABLY HAS TO DO WITH THE
IP SHARING ISSUE. AND I CAN LET JAMES COMMENT ON
THAT.
MR. HARRISON: POLICIES GOVERNING GRANTS
AND LOANS ARE DIFFERENT. UNDER PROPOSITION 71 CIRM
HAS ADOPTED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY POLICIES THAT
REQUIRE GRANTEES TO SHARE REVENUES THAT THEY EARN
FROM CIRM-FUNDED INVENTIONS WITH THE STATE GENERAL
FUND. AND CIRM HAS DEVELOPED FORMULAS, SUBSEQUENTLY
ADOPTED BY THE LEGISLATURE AND SB 1064 AND SLIGHTLY
MODIFIED LAST YEAR, THAT REQUIRE ALL GRANTEES TO

1	SHARE REVENUES WITH THE STATE.
2	LOANS, BY CONTRAST, REQUIRE REPAYMENT
3	UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES. WE HAVE TWO TYPES OF
4	LOANS. ONE IS A PRODUCT-BACKED LOAN AND THE OTHER
5	IS A COMPANY-BACKED LOAN. FOR A PRODUCT-BACKED
6	LOAN, REPAYMENT IS CONTINGENT UPON THE SUCCESS OF
7	THE PROJECT AND THAT'S ACCOMPANIED BY INTEREST. AND
8	IN ADDITION, THERE'S A RISK PREMIUM OR WARRANTS
9	WHICH OFFER SOME ADDITIONAL RETURN TO CIRM FOR
10	MAKING THE LOAN. BUT THERE ARE DIFFERENT TERMS THAT
11	APPLY TO EACH.
12	SO IT'S POSSIBLE IN THE FUTURE THAT A
13	COMPANY THAT HAS THE CHOICE OF ACCEPTING A LOAN OR A
14	GRANT MAY PREFER TO ACCEPT A LOAN BECAUSE IT PREFERS
15	THE LOAN TERMS BETTER THAN THE GRANT TERMS. AS
16	ELLEN SAID, WE'VE NOT YET TESTED THAT BECAUSE IN THE
17	PAST ON AN RFA-BY-RFA BASIS, WE SPECIFIED WHETHER A
18	COMPANY WOULD HAVE TO TAKE A GRANT OR A LOAN. WITH
19	OUR FUTURE PROGRAMS, THEY WILL HAVE THE CHOICE.
20	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: SO I'M STILL NOT CLEAR.
21	SO GIVE ME A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A LOAN AND A GRANT.
22	A COMPANY MAKING A CHOICE, WHAT ADDITIONAL HURDLES
23	WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR ONE VERSUS THE OTHER?
24	MR. HARRISON: SO FOR A COMPANY TAKING A
25	GRANT, THERE ARE REVENUE SHARING PROVISIONS THAT
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1	APPLY. AND THEY ARE ONE-TENTH OF ONE PERCENT PER
2	ONE MILLION OF GRANT AWARDS, AND THAT'S A ROYALTY.
3	SO, FOR EXAMPLE, IF YOU HAVE A \$10 MILLION CIRM
4	GRANT, YOU'D HAVE A 1-PERCENT ROYALTY. SO THE
5	COMPANY THAT DEVELOPS THAT PRODUCT WOULD BE REQUIRED
6	TO SHARE WITH THE STATE 1 PERCENT OF THE COMMERCIAL
7	REVENUES THAT IT RECEIVES UP TO NINE TIMES THE
8	AMOUNT OF THE AWARD. AND THEN IF IT'S A
9	BLOCKBUSTER, IF THE REVENUES GENERATED EXCEED \$500
10	MILLION, THEN IT HAS A CONTINUOUS ONGOING 1-PERCENT
11	ROYALTY SHARING OBLIGATION WITH THE STATE.
12	WITH A LOAN, BY CONTRAST, FOR A SUCCESSFUL
13	PRODUCT, THE COMPANY WOULD BE REQUIRED TO REPAY THE
14	LOAN WITH INTEREST AND THEN IT HAS THE CHOICE OF
15	PROVIDING CIRM WITH WARRANT COVERAGE, WHICH IS AN
16	OPTION TO PURCHASE STOCK AT A PARTICULAR PRICE. AND
17	THE WARRANT COVERAGE IS THE RATIO OF CIRM'S
18	CONTRIBUTION TO THE PRODUCT AND THE COMPANY'S OWN
19	FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO IT. OR IT CAN CHOOSE A
20	RISK PREMIUM, WHICH, AGAIN, IS A PAYBACK OPTION BUT
21	AT A LOWER SCALE THAN THAT OFFERED UNDER THE GRANT
22	PROGRAM.
23	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: SO WHEN YOU SAID 1
24	PERCENT OF REVENUES, 1 PERCENT OF WHAT REVENUES?
25	MR. HARRISON: OF COMMERCIAL REVENUES.
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1	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: SO HOW IS COMMERCIAL
2	REVENUES DEFINED? IS THAT A NET OR IS THAT A GROSS?
3	MR. HARRISON: IT'S NET. SO THERE ARE
4	CERTAIN COSTS THAT ARE EXCLUDED.
5	MEMBER LIPSON: WHAT ABOUT THE PROVISO
6	THAT CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS GET SOMETHING OUT OF
7	EITHER THE RESEARCH GRANT OR THE LOAN?
8	MR. HARRISON: WELL, THERE ARE SEVERAL
9	ASPECTS TO THAT. THERE'S THE REVENUE SHARING
10	COMPONENT, WHICH I JUST DESCRIBED, AND THEN THERE
11	ARE TWO ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS THAT APPLY BOTH TO
12	GRANTS AND LOANS. THEY ARE A PREFERENTIAL PRICING
13	PROVISION FOR PUBLICLY FUNDED PROGRAMS, AND THERE'S
14	AN ACCESS PROVISION WHICH REQUIRES EACH SUCCESSFUL
15	CIRM GRANTEE OR LOAN RECIPIENT TO DEVELOP AN ACCESS
16	PLAN TO CALIFORNIANS WHO ARE UNABLE TO OTHERWISE
17	AFFORD INSURANCE SO THAT THEY CAN HAVE ACCESS TO
18	WHATEVER PRODUCT IS DEVELOPED WITH CIRM FUNDS. AND
19	THAT MUST BE ADOPTED ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY STANDARD
20	THEN IN EXISTENCE AT THE TIME.
21	SO THOSE ARE TWO ADDITIONAL WAYS IN WHICH
22	CALIFORNIANS WOULD BENEFIT FROM THEIR TAX DOLLARS
23	BEING SPENT ON THIS RESEARCH.
24	MEMBER LIPSON: WHY DON'T THEY BENEFIT BY
25	GETTING THE INTEREST FROM THE LOANS BACK IN THE
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1	GENERAL FUND?
2	MR. HARRISON: UNDER PROPOSITION 71,
3	INTEREST AND REPAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL ON LOANS GOES
4	BACK TO CIRM TO MAKE NEW AWARDS. SO THAT'S JUST A
5	FEATURE OF THE LAW.
6	MEMBER LIPSON: BUT SUPPOSE IT COMES AFTER
7	THE AWARDING PERIOD.
8	MR. HARRISON: WELL, IF IT COMES AFTER THE
9	AWARDING PERIOD, CIRM WOULD BE ABLE TO USE THE FUNDS
10	AT THAT POINT IN TIME. IF CIRM IS NO LONGER IN
11	EXISTENCE, I GUESS WE'D HAVE TO CROSS THAT BRIDGE
12	WHEN WE GET TO IT. IT IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THE
13	BOARD'S INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND INDUSTRY
14	SUBCOMMITTEE IS CURRENTLY CONSIDERING. THAT IS, HOW
15	THESE REGULATIONS WILL BE ENFORCED IF CIRM IS NO
16	LONGER IN EXISTENCE.
17	MEMBER LIPSON: RIGHT, BECAUSE BASICALLY
18	IT'S A LONG TIME BEFORE YOU GET A PRODUCT DEVELOPED
19	THAT GOES THROUGH ALL PHASES OF TESTING AND THEN
20	GETS OUT SO IT CAN EARN FUNDS. AND THE LENGTH OF
21	TIME CIRM IS SUPPOSED TO BE IN EXISTENCE IS LIMITED.
22	SO THAT I THINK THERE HAS TO BE SOME WAY THAT THINGS
23	ARE WORKED SUCH THAT REPAYMENT GOES TO THE GENERAL
24	FUND IF CIRM IS NO LONGER IN EXISTENCE OR IF CIRM
25	HAS PASSED THE TIME FRAME THAT IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE
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1	IN EXISTENCE.
2	MR. HARRISON: THAT'S CERTAINLY SOMETHING
3	THAT WE WILL CONSIDER. AS I SAID, IT'S A FEATURE OF
4	THE LAW CURRENTLY, BUT THAT'S CERTAINLY A
5	CIRCUMSTANCE THAT WE CAN AND SHOULD PLAN FOR. SO
6	THAT WILL BE TAKEN UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE
7	BOARD'S INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND INDUSTRY
8	SUBCOMMITTEE.
9	MEMBER KOVACH: HOW MANY LOAN APPLICATIONS
10	TOTAL HAVE BEEN MADE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS HAVE
11	BEEN MADE BY COMPANIES?
12	DR. FEIGAL: ACTUALLY THAT SEGUES INTO THE
13	NEXT SET OF SLIDES. WE ACTUALLY HAVE FOUR LOANS.
14	SO I THINK AS YOU CAN IMAGINE, THE VAST PROPORTION
15	OF WHAT WE PUT OUT THERE IS ACTUALLY IN REGARDS TO
16	GRANTS AS OPPOSED TO LOANS.
17	MEMBER KOVACH: HOW MANY APPLICATIONS?
18	YOU MADE FOUR. I WAS JUST WONDERING HOW MANY
19	COMPANIES APPLIED. HOW MANY APPLIED BUT DIDN'T GET
20	A LOAN?
21	DR. FEIGAL: WELL, IT DEPENDS ON WHAT
22	DENOMINATOR YOU'RE LOOKING AT. BUT SINCE 2009
23	THERE'S PROBABLY BEEN MORE APPLICABLE TYPE OF
24	INITIATIVES THAT CIRM HAS PUT OUT THAT DEAL MORE
25	WITH TRANSLATIONAL-TYPE RESEARCH. SO AS PART, I

1	BELIEVE, THERE'S ABOUT TO THE RANGE OF APPROXIMATELY
2	165 MILLION THAT'S GONE OUT TO COMPANIES EITHER
3	THROUGH THEIR PART OF AWARDS, THEY'RE THE VENDORS,
4	AND THEN WE HAVE A MUCH MORE LIMITED NUMBER THAT ARE
5	ACTUALLY THE PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS ON AN AWARD.
6	AND FOR THOSE, THE MAJORITY HAVE BEEN LOANS TO DATE.
7	AND RIGHT NOW WE HAVE FOUR IN EXISTENCE. AND THOSE
8	ARE THE FOUR THAT I'M GOING TO TELL YOU ABOUT RIGHT
9	NOW.
10	MEMBER LIPSON: I GUESS HOW MANY GROUPS
11	APPLIED? THAT WAS THE QUESTION.
12	MEMBER KOVACH: I WAS JUST TRYING TO GET A
13	SENSE OF HOW POPULAR THE TWO TOOLS YOU HAVE, THE
14	GRANT APPLICATION AND THE LOAN PROGRAM, HOW POPULAR
15	ARE THEY AMONG COMPANIES?
16	DR. FEIGAL: I WOULD SAY THAT THE
17	INITIATIVES IT'S EVOLVING OVER TIME. AS I
18	MENTIONED, BACK IN 2005 WE WERE STARTING WITH
19	BUILDING UP THE RESEARCH INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL AND
20	THE PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND THEN THE BASIC
21	BIOLOGY, AND THOSE ARE NOT INITIATIVES, IN GENERAL,
22	THAT COMPANIES WERE INTERESTED IN BEING A PART OF.
23	WE HAD RESEARCH LEADERSHIP, WE HAD FACULTY AWARDS.
24	AND THOSE TRADITIONALLY ARE NOT SOMETHING THAT THE
25	COMPANIES WERE INTERESTED IN. IT WASN'T UNTIL 2009
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THAT WE STARTED TO HAVE MORE COMPANY INTEREST.
I WOULD SAY THE SUCCESS RATE IS SIMILAR
GIVEN THE DENOMINATOR THAT APPLIED. WHAT WE HAVE
DONE MORE RECENTLY IS TO BE MUCH MORE PROACTIVE IN
REACHING OUT TO INDUSTRY. WE ACTUALLY DO HAVE AN
INITIATIVE THAT IS VERY MUCH GEARED AND TAILORED TO
INDUSTRY, THE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE,
WHERE 100 PERCENT OF THE APPLICANTS WERE FROM
INDUSTRY. AND WE HAD OUR FIRST ROUND, AS YOU KNOW,
LATE LAST YEAR. WE HAVE ANOTHER ROUND COMING UP
SOON. AND THEN WE'LL HAVE THESE TWICE A YEAR. AND
THOSE WERE SPECIFICALLY TAILORED FOR INDUSTRY.
SO WE IMAGINE THAT THE NUMBER IS GOING TO
CONTINUE TO RISE AS WE HAVE INITIATIVES THAT ARE
MORE WITHIN THE MIDDLE OF THE RADAR SCREEN OF WHAT
THEY' D BE INTERESTED IN.
MEMBER KOVACH: RIGHT. SO THE POINT
YOU'RE MAKING IS A GOOD ONE. THERE'S TWO ELEMENTS
RELATING TO WHETHER A COMPANY APPLIES. ONE IS KIND
OF THE FINANCIAL ASPECT. BUT THEN A SEPARATE ONE IS
WHETHER THE COMPANY IS QUALIFIED UNDER AN RFA,
WHETHER THEY HAVE THE RIGHT PERSONNEL, WHETHER THEY
CAN ACTUALLY DO THE WORK. SO YOU ARE SAYING THAT
YOU'RE SHIFTING A LITTLE BIT TO MAKE THOSE RFA'S
MORE KIND OF COMMENSURATE OR KIND OF DOVETAIL WITH
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1	THE CAPABILITIES AND INTERESTS THAT A COMPANY HAS.
2	DR. FEIGAL: CERTAINLY IN THE DEVELOPMENT
3	REALM. THE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP WAS ACTUALLY A
4	BROAD INITIATIVE THAT ALLOWED US TO REALLY FOCUS ON
5	THE TRANSLATIONAL ASPECT OF WHAT WE WANT TO DO,
6	ADVANCE THE SCIENCE TOWARDS THE CLINIC AND INTO
7	PATIENTS, WHICH IS WHERE WE WANT TO BE. SO WE THINK
8	THOSE TYPES OF INITIATIVES HAVE SHOWN EVIDENCE THAT
9	THEY'RE MORE ATTRACTIVE TO INDUSTRY, BOTH TO THE
10	THERAPEUTIC COMPANIES, BUT ALSO TO PEOPLE WHO ARE
11	DEVELOPING REAGENTS OR DEVELOPING MANUFACTURING
12	CAPABILITIES. AND THOSE TYPES OF THINGS ARE MUCH
13	MORE ATTRACTIVE TO COMPANIES, AND WE ARE SEEING
14	THAT.
15	MEMBER KOVACH: THANK YOU.
16	MEMBER LIPSON: STILL YOU HAVEN'T ANSWERED
17	THE QUESTION: HOW MANY COMPANIES APPLIED FOR GRANTS
18	AND HOW MANY GOT THEM? HOW MANY COMPANIES APPLIED
19	FOR RESEARCH FOR LOANS AND THE PERCENT THAT GOT
20	THEM?
21	DR. FEIGAL: I THINK WHAT I WAS TRYING TO
22	DO IS SAY THAT OF THE DENOMINATOR THAT ARE COMING
23	IN, THE SUCCESS RATE IS SIMILAR TO THE MUCH LARGER
24	DENOMINATOR. SO I WOULD SAY RIGHT NOW IT'S PROBABLY
25	ANYWHERE FROM 10 TO 15 PERCENT SUCCESS RATE BECAUSE
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1	WE ALSO HAVE A TRIAGE PROCESS. SO WHERE WE HAVE A
2	PREAPPLICATION WHERE A LOT OF PEOPLE COME IN WANTING
3	TO BE A PART OF AN INITIATIVE AND WITH A VERY SMALL
4	AMOUNT OF WORK PUT TOGETHER A DOCUMENT. SO THAT HAS
5	AN EXTERNAL REVIEW TO MAKE AN ASSESSMENT ABOUT
6	WHETHER OR NOT THEY'D BE COMPETITIVE FOR THE FULL
7	AWARD. AND THEN FROM THAT, WE HAVE THE FULL
8	APPLICATIONS COME IN. SO AS I SAID, IT'S AROUND 10
9	TO 15 PERCENT SUCCESS RATE IF YOU START WITH THE
10	LARGE DENOMINATOR.
11	MEMBER LIPSON: WHAT IS THE ACTUAL NUMBER?
12	THAT'S ALL I'M ASKING.
13	DR. FEIGAL: BETWEEN 10 AND 15 PERCENT.
14	MEMBER LIPSON: NO. NO. NUMBER OF
15	APPLI CATI ONS.
16	DR. FEIGAL: I CAN GET YOU THAT NUMBER. I
17	DON'T HAVE IT OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD. I THINK WE'VE
18	HAD ABOUT 14 DIFFERENT COMPANIES AND 24 DIFFERENT
19	RESEARCH AWARDS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE TUNE OF
20	APPROXIMATELY 165, \$166 MILLION.
21	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: SO THE STEPS IN THE
22	PROCESS FOR THE LOANS AND THE GRANTS, WHERE IS IT
23	DIFFERENT? YOU TALKED ABOUT A MORE UNIVERSAL
24	DENOMINATOR AT THE OUTSET. WERE PEOPLE INTERESTED
25	IN BOTH PROCESSES?
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DR. FEIGAL: LOANS ARE ONLY TAKEN BY
FOR-PROFITS. AND AS YOU WILL SEE HERE IN OUR
DISEASE TEAMS, WE HAVE BOTH VIACYTE AND CAPRICOR,
AND THOSE ARE THE FOR-PROFITS AND THEY HAD TO TAKE A
LOAN.
CHAIRMAN CHIANG: SO BACK TO THE PROCESS
BETWEEN THE LOANS AND THE GRANTS, WHERE IN THE
PROCESS ARE THEY DIFFERENT?
DR. FEIGAL: THE PEER REVIEW IS IDENTICAL.
SO THERE'S A GRANT REVIEW GROUP CONSISTING OF
APPROXIMATELY 15 SCIENTISTS WITH THE APPROPRIATE
EXPERTISE AND THEN SEVEN PATIENT ADVOCATES THAT ARE
PART OF THAT GRANT REVIEW GROUP, AND THE PROPOSALS
GO THROUGH THE SAME PROCESS IN TERMS OF THE EXTERNAL
PEER REVIEW AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ARE MADE,
AND THEN THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BROUGHT FORWARD
TO OUR OVERSIGHT BOARD. SO IN TERMS OF THE PROCESS
OF HOW WE ASSESS THEM, WE HAVE A SIMILAR PROCESS.
WHAT WE DO FOR THE DEVELOPMENT
INITIATIVES, THOUGH, IS THAT WE POPULATE THE REVIEW
GROUP WITH THE APPROPRIATE EXPERTISE. SO WE INCLUDE
REPRESENTATIVES FROM INDUSTRY, WE INCLUDE SPECIAL
EXPERTISE IN PRECLINICAL ANIMAL MODELS AND
TOXICOLOGY AND MANUFACTURING AND CLINICAL TRIALS SO
THAT WE MAKE SURE WE HAVE THE APPROPRIATE EXPERTISE
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1	ASSESSING THEM. AND WE HAVE THE FLEXIBILITY TO DO
2	THAT RIGHT NOW AND HAVE UTILIZED THAT. DID THAT
3	ANSWER YOUR QUESTION?
4	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: I'M NOT QUITE CLEAR. I
5	DON'T HAVE BETTER UNDERSTANDING. I THOUGHT YOU SAID
6	THE DENOMINATOR AT THE BEGINNING INCLUDED EVERYBODY
7	AND SO YOU GET TO THE SAME BASIC RATIO. I THOUGHT I
8	HEARD THAT THE PROCESS WAS DIFFERENT, SO SOME WOULD
9	BE FILTERED OUT AT DIFFERENT STAGES OF THE PROCESS.
10	DR. FEIGAL: THEY'RE NOT JUST ISSUED BY
11	WHETHER IT'S A LOAN OR AN AWARD. FOR A PARTICULAR
12	INITIATIVE, LET'S SAY FOR-PROFITS HAVE TO TAKE A
13	LOAN AND THE NON-PROFITS TAKE A GRANT AWARD. THE
14	ACTUAL PROCESS OF HOW THEY'RE REVIEWED IS THE SAME.
15	WHAT I WAS SAYING IS THAT WE DO HAVE A
16	SPECIAL INITIATIVE CALLED THE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP
17	INITIATIVE THAT IS PARTICULARLY TAILORED TO
18	INDUSTRY. AND BY DEFINITION, INDUSTRY IS THE ONE
19	WHO COMES IN FOR THAT PARTICULAR INITIATIVE, BUT THE
20	ACTUAL EXTERNAL REVIEW AND THE DIFFERENT PROCESSES
21	ARE SIMILAR TO WHAT WE WOULD DO FOR A GRANT AWARD.
22	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
23	DR. FEIGAL: AND THIS IS JUST THE STATUS
24	OF OUR LOANS, TALKING ABOUT THE LOAN RECIPIENT, THE
25	LOAN AGREEMENT AMOUNT, THE DISBURSEMENTS AS OF
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1	FEBRUARY 12TH OF THIS YEAR, THE ESTIMATED INTEREST
2	DUE AT THE END OF THE LOAN TERM BASED ON THE AMOUNTS
3	DISBURSED TO DATE, THE INTEREST TERMS, AND I JUST
4	HAVE THE CURRENT STATUS.
5	SO AS YOU CAN SEE, TWO OF THE LOANS HAVE
6	BEEN TERMINATED. THE FIRST ONE I'M SURE YOU'RE VERY
7	WELL AWARE OF. THE LOAN WAS TERMINATED AND IT WAS
8	REPAID IN FULL WITH INTEREST. THE SECOND ONE, THE
9	LOAN WAS TERMINATED. THE LOAN WAS FORGIVEN IN
10	ACCORDANCE WITH OUR REGULATIONS. AND THEN YOU SEE
11	THE CURRENTLY STANDING LOANS WITH VIACYTE AND WITH
12	CAPRICOR. AND THOSE ARE TWO DISEASE TEAMS. THE
13	VIACYTE ONE IS WORKING ON A THERAPEUTIC APPROACH FOR
14	DIABETES, AND THE CAPRICOR IS WORKING ON A
15	THERAPEUTIC APPROACH FOR CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE.
16	MEMBER SADANA: WHAT WAS THE FORGIVEN IN
17	ACCORDANCE TO REGULATION? WHAT DOES THAT COULD
18	YOU CLARIFY THAT?
19	DR. FEIGAL: THAT'S ACTUALLY IF THE
20	PROJECT IS NOT SUCCESSFUL IN GOING FORWARD,
21	BASICALLY IT WAS A PRODUCT-BACKED LOAN AND IT WASN'T
22	ABLE TO CONTINUE ITS PROJECT TO ACTUALLY HAVE THE
23	CHANCE OF GOING INTO A PRODUCT. SO THAT LOAN WAS
24	FORGIVEN AS PER OUR REGULATIONS. THE SCIENCE DIDN'T
25	COOPERATE. IT WASN'T ABLE TO CONTINUE FORWARD.
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1	MEMBER SADANA: ON THE WHOLE, DO WE HAVE
2	ANY IDEA OF HOW MANY OF THESE INSTANCES GRANTS OR
3	LOANS HAVE BEEN TERMINATED?
4	DR. FEIGAL: TWO.
5	MEMBER SADANA: TWO TOTALLY. JUST THESE
6	TWO.
7	DR. FEIGAL: JUST WHAT I'VE SHOWN ON THE
8	SLI DE.
9	MEMBER SADANA: PRIOR TO THAT. THIS IS
10	RECENT, RIGHT?
11	DR. FEIGAL: THIS IS CUMULATIVE. THAT'S
12	THE STATUS OF ALL OF OUR LOANS.
13	MEMBER KOVACH: THE TERMINATION WAS
14	UNDER YOU HAVE A REVIEW PROCESS, CORRECT, THAT
15	LOOKS AT MILESTONES, AS I RECALL?
16	DR. FEIGAL: YES. THE FIRST ONE, AS YOU
17	KNOW, WAS THE COMPANY'S DECISION FOR A BUSINESS
18	REASON, WHICH I THINK EVERYBODY IS PRETTY WELL
19	FAMILIAR WITH. THE SECOND WAS BASED ON, ABSOLUTELY
20	RIGHT, WE'RE ASSESSING IT. THERE WAS A CHANGE IN
21	SCOPE. AND ACTUALLY IT WAS NOT WITHIN THE SCOPE OF
22	WHAT IT WAS ORIGINALLY REVIEWED AND APPROVED FOR.
23	SO ON THE BASIS OF THAT, IT WAS TERMINATED. BUT
24	THERE DEFINITELY WAS INTERACTION WITH THE COMPANY,
25	AND THERE WAS AN ATTEMPT TO LOOK AT IT AND ASSESS
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1	WHETHER OR NOT IT COULD BE IN SCOPE AND IT WAS NOT.
2	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: HAVE YOU CONCLUDED?
3	DR. FEIGAL: I'VE CONCLUDED THIS PART, AND
4	THEN THE NEXT PART WAS GIVING YOU A SCIENCE UPDATE.
5	SO I'M VERY EXCITED TO BRING TO YOU TODAY
6	AN UPDATE ON OUR STATE'S STEM CELL AGENCY'S PROGRESS
7	TOWARDS ITS MISSION TO ADVANCE THE SCIENCE TOWARDS
8	TREATMENT AND POTENTIAL CURES FOR PATIENTS WITH
9	CHRONIC DISEASES AND INJURIES. AND CIRM HAS BEEN
10	AND CONTINUES TO BE REALLY A GRAND EXPERIMENT, AS
11	YOU KNOW, THANKS TO THE WORK OF ALL OF YOU, THE WORK
12	OF OUR INVESTIGATORS, OUR PATIENTS, OUR STAFF, WHO
13	ARE VERY COMMITTED AND HARDWORKING. AND WE'RE
14	REALLY WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO TODAY IS HEAR
15	ABOUT SOME OF THE ADVANCES FROM OUR CORE PROGRAMS
16	AND TRAINING, BASIC BIOLOGY, TOOLS AND TECHNOLOGY,
17	EARLY TRANSLATION, AND DISEASE TEAMS.
18	AND AMONG THE MANY ADVANCES IN PROGRESS, I
19	DID WANT YOU KNOW THAT WE WILL BE BRINGING THIS YEAR
20	CLINICAL TRIALS OF STEM CELL-BASED THERAPIES TO
21	PATIENTS IN CALIFORNIA. SO WE THINK THAT THERE HAS
22	BEEN SIGNIFICANT ADVANCE TO THE POINT THAT WE'RE
23	ACTUALLY BRINGING THERAPIES TO THE PATIENTS HERE IN
24	CALIFORNIA THROUGH A CLINICAL TRIAL.
25	LET ME JUST START WITH THE VISION AND
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1	STRATEGY. THIS IS OUT OF OUR 2012 STRATEGIC PLAN,
2	BUT BASICALLY THE MISSION OF THE INSTITUTE HAS
3	REMAINED THE SAME. AND THAT'S REALLY TO SUPPORT AND
4	ADVANCE THE STEM CELL SCIENCE TOWARDS APPLICATIONS
5	FOR PATIENTS. AND IN THE FIRST SEVERAL YEARS OF
6	CIRM, WE WERE REALLY CULTIVATING THE FIELD. AS YOU
7	REMEMBER, THIS WAS DONE AT A TIME WHEN THERE WAS A
8	PARTICULAR BAN ON A PARTICULAR KIND OF STEM
9	CELL-BASED RESEARCH. IT WAS REALLY PROVIDING A SAFE
10	HAVEN AND A SANCTUARY TO CONDUCT THIS TYPE OF
11	RESEARCH.
12	IN THE EARLY DAYS OF CIRM, WE WERE FUNDING
13	A BROAD NUMBER OF DISEASES AND PROJECTS. WE WERE
14	ESTABLISHING THE INTELLECTUAL INFRASTRUCTURE AS WELL
15	AS THE SEEDS OF INNOVATION AND IDEAS AND BRINGING IN
16	THE LEADERSHIP AS WELL AS BUILDING THE PHYSICAL
17	INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THIS RESEARCH TO GO FORWARD.
18	DURING THESE NEXT FIVE YEARS, WHAT WE'RE
19	CALLING THE FOCUS PERIOD, WE'RE TRYING TO PRIORITIZE
20	THOSE PROJECTS AND INVESTMENTS TO DRIVE THE SCIENCE
21	TOWARDS CLINICAL TRIALS FOR PATIENTS TO GENERATE
22	THAT PRELIMINARY EVIDENCE OF THERAPEUTIC BENEFIT AND
23	ALSO DEVELOP PARTNERSHIPS WITH DIFFERENT SCIENTIFIC
24	DISCIPLINES, BUT ALSO MORE SO WITH PATIENT ADVOCATES
25	AS WELL AS WITH INDUSTRY BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT CIRM

1	IS FILLING A PARTICULAR NICHE IN DOING THE RESEARCH
2	TO REALLY FUND THAT VERY HIGH RISK RESEARCH THAT
3	ISN'T EASILY FUNDED ANYPLACE ELSE AND TRYING TO
4	ESTABLISH THOSE PARTNERSHIPS SO THAT THE RESEARCH IS
5	ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD THROUGH OUR INDUSTRY OR VENTURE
6	CAPITAL COLLABORATIONS. SO THAT BY 2016 WE WILL
7	HAVE FACILITATED THE ABILITY TO MOVE THESE THERAPIES
8	TOWARDS COMMERCIALIZATION TO ADVANCE THESE THERAPIES
9	TO PATIENTS AND ALSO START THINKING ABOUT, NOT START
10	THINKING, WE'RE THINKING ABOUT THEM NOW, THE TYPES
11	OF BUSINESS MODELS THAT WOULD NEED TO BE IN PLACE
12	FOR COMPANIES TO BE ABLE TO BE SUSTAINED IN WORKING
13	IN STEM CELL-BASED THERAPIES.
14	SO THAT'S SORT OF THE LANDSCAPE OF WHERE
15	WE'VE BEEN, WHERE WE ARE RIGHT NOW, AND WHERE WE'RE
16	TRYING TO BE.
17	I WANT TO JUST TOUCH ON WHERE THE DOLLARS
18	HAVE BEEN INVESTED. THIS IS A CHEVRON SHOWING THE
19	DIFFERENT INITIATIVES WE HAVE FROM BASIC RESEARCH
20	THROUGH TO EARLY CLINICAL TRIALS. WE DON'T FEEL
21	THAT IT'S WITHIN CIRM'S NICHE REALLY TO BE FUNDING
22	PHASE III CLINICAL TRIALS. WE FEEL BY THE TIME THE
23	EVIDENCE HAS BEEN GENERATED, BY THE END OF PHASE II,
24	THERE SHOULD BE ENOUGH EVIDENCE TO ATTRACT INDUSTRY
25	OR OTHER PEOPLE TO FUND THE LARGER CLINICAL TRIALS

1	THAT WOULD NEED TO GO ON TO GET REGISTRATIONAL
2	APPROVAL FROM THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION.
3	TO DATE WHAT WE FUNDED IS THE FACILITIES
4	AND INFRASTRUCTURES TO THE TUNE OF ABOUT 20 PERCENT
5	OF WHAT WE SPENT OF THE 1.7 BILLION. THAT'S 343
6	MILLION. ABOUT 22 PERCENT ON INFRASTRUCTURE FOR
7	INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL, BRINGING IN THE RESEARCH
8	LEADERS AND THE LABORATORY RESEARCHERS TO THE TUNE
9	OF APPROXIMATELY 22 PERCENT.
10	WE HAVE A CONTINUED PIPELINE OF
11	FOUNDATIONAL RESEARCH TO REALLY HELP US UNDERSTAND
12	HOW THESE STEM CELLS WORK, WHAT THEIR PROMISE IS,
13	AND WORK ON THEIR MECHANISM OF ACTION. THAT'S ABOUT
14	20 PERCENT.
15	AND THEN WE HAVE THE MORE COMPLEX EXPENSE
16	OF TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR ABOUT
17	38 PERCENT OF OUR FUNDING TODAY. ALTHOUGH THE
18	NUMBERS ARE SMALLER, THE PRICE TAG ON THESE TYPES OF
19	PROJECTS ARE MUCH LARGER. THESE ARE GOING THROUGH
20	NOT JUST THE SCIENTIFIC EXPERIMENTS, BUT REALLY THE
21	DEVELOPMENT STUDIES THAT NEED TO BE DONE TO MEET
22	REGULATORY APPROVAL SO THAT THEY CAN GO INTO HUMANS
23	AND EVENTUALLY GO INTO PATIENTS WITH CHRONIC DISEASE
24	AND INJURY. AND THESE ARE THE MOST EXPENSIVE OF THE
25	PROJECTS THAT WE FUND.

OUR CORE PROGRAMS REALLY PROVIDE A
PATHWAY. WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO AT CIRM IS PROVIDE
A SEAMLESS PATHWAY TOWARDS THE CLINIC. SO WE HAVE
PROGRAMS IN TRAINING, BASIC RESEARCH, TOOLS AND
TECHNOLOGY, THE EARLY TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH, WHAT
WE CALL THE DISEASE TEAMS, AND THEN WHAT I BRIEFLY
MENTIONED, WHICH ARE THE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS.
AND YOU CAN SEE THAT WE ARE TRYING TO PROVIDE A
PATHWAY SO THAT INVESTIGATORS CAN GO SEAMLESSLY FROM
THE EARLY TO THE LATER STAGE.
OUR ACTIVITIES TOWARDS OUR MISSION IS THAT
TO DATE WE'VE FUNDED OVER 560 RESEARCH AND FACILITY
AWARDS TO OVER 60 INSTITUTES AND COMPANIES. WE HAVE
BUILT 12 NEW INSTITUTES AND CENTERS OF REGENERATIVE
MEDICINE. THIS RESEARCH HAS GENERATED MORE THAN
1200 MAJOR SCIENTIFIC PAPERS, AND THIS IS IMPORTANT
TO GET THE KNOWLEDGE OUT TO BE TRANSPARENT ABOUT
WHAT THIS RESEARCH IS FUNDING. SO IT'S VERY
IMPORTANT TO GET THIS OUT INTO THE COMMUNITY.
IN ADDITION TO THE PAPERS, AS I THINK YOU
KNOW, CIRM HAS ESTABLISHED THE PRINCIPLE WHERE WE
WILL PUT PAPERS ON OUR WEB SITE OR MAKE SURE THAT
THEY GET DEPOSITED IN THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF
MEDICINE AT NIH SO THAT THE TAXPAYER DOLLARS, NOT
TAXPAYERS, BUT THE BOND DOLLARS, THE FRUITS OF THOSE
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LABORS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PEOPLE TO VIEW AND TO
READ IF THEY SO CHOOSE.
IN ADDITION, WE'VE BROUGHT OVER 130 NEW
MAJOR STEM CELL RESEARCHERS TO CALIFORNIA. AND OF
THE 560 AWARDS, ABOUT 77 ARE IN THAT CATEGORY OF
WHAT WE CALL TRANSLATIONAL AND DEVELOPMENT. SO WE
HAVE 51 EARLY TRANSLATION PROGRAMS, 24 DISEASE
TEAMS, AND TWO STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS, AND A
LITTLE OVER 1.7 BILLION HAS BEEN AWARDED TO DATE.
THIS IS JUST A BAR GRAPH SHOWING YOU WHERE
THE MONEY HAS BEEN SPENT AND THE CATEGORIES IN WHICH
IT HAS BEEN SPENT. ONCE AGAIN, THE RESEARCH AND
PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE WAS THE PRIMARY FOCUS AS
CIRM WAS JUST BEGINNING. IN THE TEXT, BUT NOT SHOWN
ON THE SLIDE, ARE THE AMOUNT THAT WE INVESTED IN
FACILITIES, 270.9 MILLION THAT WAS ICOC APPROVED IN
2008, AND THEN THERE WAS APPROXIMATELY 518 MILLION
THAT CAME IN IN LEVERAGED FUNDING FROM INSTITUTIONS.
SHARED LABORATORIES WERE APPROVED TO THE TUNE OF 72
MILLION BY THE ICOC. 50.5 MILLION IN 2007 AND 21.5
MILLION FOR A THREE-YEAR EXTENSION THAT BEGAN IN
2011.
YOU SEE THE ORANGE BAR ACROSS THE TOP OF
ALL OF THOSE IS THE AMOUNT THAT'S GOING TO
DEVELOPMENT WORK, DISEASE TEAMS, AND YOU CAN SEE
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1	THAT THEY REALLY JUST STARTED IN 2009.
2	WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS JUST BRIEFLY GO
3	OVER, BECAUSE YOU HAVE ALL OF THIS IN YOUR HANDOUTS,
4	IS GO THROUGH SOME OF THE CORE PROGRAMS. AND THAT
5	STARTS WITH TRAINING AND WHAT WE CALL OUR BRIDGES
6	PROGRAM. SO THIS IS JUST SHOWING YOU THE NUMBER OF
7	AWARDS IN TRAINING, AND THEN THE BRIDGES IS JUST A
8	BRIDGE FROM OUR YOUNG INVESTIGATORS, UNDERGRADUATES,
9	PRE-DOCS, THOSE WITH MASTER'S DEGREE THAT ARE
10	TRAINED TO GET TRAINING IN STEM CELL RESEARCH. THIS
11	IS REALLY TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE THE INTELLECTUAL
12	CAPITAL FOR THE NEXT GENERATION IN CALIFORNIA TO GO
13	FORWARD WITH THIS TYPE OF RESEARCH.
14	TO DATE, WE'VE TRAINED PRE-DOCTORAL
15	CANDIDATES, POSTDOCTORAL, AND CLINICAL FELLOWS.
16	THIS HAS INVOLVED MENTORED LABORATORY STEM CELL
17	RESEARCH. THEIR COURSEWORK HAS INCLUDED WORK IN
18	STEM CELL BIOLOGY AND HOW IT APPLIES TO HEALTH AND
19	TO DISEASE. IT ALSO INVOLVES THE ETHICAL, LEGAL,
20	AND SOCIAL ASPECTS OF STEM CELL RESEARCH. TO DATE,
21	WE HAVE TRAINED OVER 635 CIRM SCHOLARS AT 18
22	INSTITUTIONS IN 300 LABS ACROSS THE STATE.
23	IN TERMS OF TRAINING FOR UNDERGRADUATES OR
24	MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES, ESPECIALLY FROM
25	CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COMMUNITY
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1	COLLEGES, THIS HAS INVOLVED SHARED LABS, A STEM CELL
2	TECHNIQUES COURSE, MENTORED INTERNSHIPS WITH STEM
3	CELL RESEARCH AND LABORATORIES IN RESEARCH INTENSIVE
4	HOST INSTITUTIONS. TO DATE, WE'VE TRAINED 482
5	INTERNS FROM 16 INSTITUTIONS.
6	A SURVEY WAS TAKEN OF THOSE INTERNS, OF A
7	SUBSET OF THEM THAT TURNED IN THEIR SURVEY. 52
8	PERCENT OF 163 INTERNS HAD JOBS, 26 PERCENT HAD
9	ENROLLED OR BEEN ACCEPTED INTO GRADUATE OR
10	PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS. SO THIS IS JUST A SNAPSHOT
11	IN TIME OF WHERE WE ARE WITH OUR TRAINING PROGRAMS
12	TO DATE.
13	MEMBER LIPSON: WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE AN
14	I NTERN?
15	DR. FEIGAL: AN INTERN MEANS THAT YOU'RE
16	MENTORED OR SUPERVISED. YOU HAVEN'T BECOME A
17	FULL-FLEDGED LABORATORY PERSON, OR YOU'RE IN
18	TRAINING BASICALLY AND YOU NEED TO BE SUPERVISED.
19	MEMBER LIPSON: RIGHT. WHAT DOES THAT
20	MEAN? IS IT UNDERGRADUATE?
21	DR. FEIGAL: WELL, THE INTERNS, AS I SAID,
22	WERE UNDERGRADUATES OR COULD ALSO BE MASTER'S DEGREE
23	CANDIDATES AS PART OF THAT PROGRAM.
24	MEMBER LIPSON: SO BASICALLY THIS ISN'T
25	TRAINING GRADUATE STUDENTS WHO MIGHT APPLY THE
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1	INFORMATION READILY?
2	DR. FEIGAL: THE TRAINING ABOVE YOU, THE
3	635 PEOPLE WE HAVE TRAINED ARE DOCTORAL CANDIDATES,
4	GETTING PH. D. 'S, ADVANCED DEGREES.
5	MEMBER SADANA: IN THE 130, GOING BACK, WE
6	HAD NEW MAJOR RESEARCHERS IN CALIFORNIA, WHAT KIND
7	OF LEVEL OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE PH.D.'S OR
8	WHATEVER WERE INVITED AND WHO JOINED?
9	DR. FEIGAL: YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE
10	RESEARCH LEADERS.
11	MEMBER SADANA: YES.
12	DR. FEIGAL: THESE ARE WELL-ESTABLISHED
13	LEADERS IN THEIR FIELD WHO WERE RECRUITED TO
14	CALIFORNIA TO ACTUALLY CONDUCT STEM CELL-BASED
15	RESEARCH IN CALIFORNIA. AND THEY ATTRACTED
16	ADDITIONAL PEOPLE INTO THEIR LABORATORIES TO HAVE
17	REALLY A CRITICAL MASS. SO IT'S REALLY THE
18	LEADERSHIP, THE INTELLECTUAL LEADERSHIP. WHEREAS,
19	THIS IS THINKING ABOUT THE NEXT GENERATION. SO IT'S
20	THINKING ABOUT THE RESEARCH LEADERS EVENTUALLY NEED
21	TO BE REPLACED WITH THE NEW GENERATION OF
22	RESEARCHERS. AND SO THIS IS REALLY TO MAKE SURE
23	THAT WE'RE THINKING ABOUT THE TRAINING OF THE NEXT
24	GENERATION IN CALIFORNIA. SO THESE ARE PEOPLE AT
25	UNIVERSITIES OR CAL STATE UNIVERSITIES OR OTHER
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1	I NSTI TUTI ONS.
2	MEMBER LIPSON: OKAY. AND GOING BACK TO
3	THE UNDERGRADUATE OR MASTER'S DEGREE GROUP, IT SAYS
4	52 PERCENT OF THE 163 INTERNS WHO TURNED IN THEIR
5	THING HAD JOBS. WHAT TYPE OF JOBS?
6	DR. FEIGAL: THESE WERE RESEARCH THESE
7	WERE JOBS IN LABORATORIES. THESE WERE JOBS AS
8	ASSISTANT PROFESSOR. I'LL GIVE YOU A VIGNETTE, AN
9	EXAMPLE. I DON'T HAVE ALL OF THEM, WE HAVE QUITE A
10	NUMBER, BUT WE COULD GET THAT INFORMATION FOR YOU
11	BECAUSE WE DID DO THE SURVEY. I WAS JUST GIVING YOU
12	A HIGH LEVEL. BUT THESE ARE IN STEM CELL-BASED
13	RESEARCH LABS OR JUNIOR FACULTY POSITIONS AT
14	UNI VERSI TI ES.
15	MEMBER LIPSON: EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE
16	UNDERGRADUATE?
17	DR. FEIGAL: NO. THESE ARE FOLLOW-UP
18	SURVEYS. SO THESE ARE PEOPLE WHO HAVE GONE
19	THROUGH THE PROGRAM AND THEN WE DO A SURVEY LATER ON
20	TO SEE WHERE THEY ARE. AND SO WE'LL CONTINUE TO DO
21	THAT TO TRACK WHAT HAPPENS TO THE PEOPLE THAT WE'RE
22	TRAINING TO TRY AND GET A SENSE OF THEIR CAREER
23	DEVELOPMENT PATH.
24	MEMBER LIPSON: OVER WHAT TIME FRAME ARE
25	WE LOOKING, FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE PROGRAM?
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1	DR. FEIGAL: RIGHT NOW THE TRAINING I ARE
2	ALL CLOSED. THE TRAINING II AND THE BRIDGES
3	PROGRAMS ARE STILL OPEN. SO THERE'S STILL
4	APPROXIMATELY HALF THE PROGRAMS ARE STILL ONGOING
5	AND MOVING FORWARD. SO WE'RE STILL EARLY IN MAKING
6	AN ASSESSMENT OF THESE PROGRAMS. I WAS JUST GIVING
7	YOU A SNAPSHOT IN TIME OF WHAT WE HAD SO FAR.
8	ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS?
9	THIS IS JUST AN EXAMPLE OF A PERSON WHO
10	WENT THROUGH THE TRAINING PROGRAM. THIS IS ANN
11	ZOVEIN WHO WENT THROUGH THE PROGRAM AT UCLA. SHE
12	TRAINED AS A CLINICAL FELLOW UNDER HER MENTOR FOR
13	THREE YEARS. SHE HAS A CURRENT POSITION AS
14	ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AT THE PEDIATRICS AND
15	CARDIOVASCULAR RESEARCH INSTITUTE UC SAN FRANCISCO.
16	SHE WAS ALSO AWARDED A BURROUGHS-WELLCOME CAREER
17	AWARD FOR MEDICAL SCIENTISTS. SO I'M JUST GIVING
18	YOU SOME EXAMPLES, BUT WE CAN GIVE YOU MORE DATA
19	RELATED TO THIS IF YOU'RE SO INTERESTED.
20	THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF ONE OF OUR BRIDGES
21	INTERNS, JUST TO PUT A FACE TO SOME OF THESE
22	NUMBERS. THIS IS MRS. LAUGHING BEAR TORREZ, WHO IS
23	FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN BERNARDINO
24	BRIDGES PROGRAM. SHE DID HER INTERNSHIP AT UC
25	RIVERSIDE WITH DR. DUNCAN LIEW. SHE ACTUALLY IS THE
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1	FIRST AUTHOR ON A PAPER WORKING ON WHAT HER PROJECT
2	WAS, WHICH IS THE DERIVATION OF NEURAL PROGENITOR
3	CELLS FROM PLURIPOTENT STEM CELLS. SHE WENT ON TO
4	EARN HER MASTER'S DEGREE. SHE WON DISTINCTION AS
5	THE COLLEGE'S OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT. AND HER
6	CURRENT POSITION IS THAT SHE'S A PREDOCTORAL STUDENT
7	TRYING TO GET HER PH.D. AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY IN
8	THE STEM CELL BIOLOGY AND REGENERATIVE MEDICINE
9	PH. D. PROGRAM.
10	SO I'M JUST GIVING YOU SOME EXAMPLES OF
11	WHAT SOME OF OUR TRAINEES HAVE DONE AND WHERE THEY
12	ARE AT THIS POINT IN TIME BECAUSE I THOUGHT YOU
13	MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN THAT.
14	THIS IS A SNAPSHOT IN TIME OF OUR CIRM
15	BASIC RESEARCH INITIATIVE. WE HAVE WHAT'S CALLED
16	SEED GRANTS, THEN COMPREHENSIVE GRANTS, AND WE'VE
17	BEEN THROUGH NOW FOUR ITERATIONS OF BASIC BIOLOGY.
18	THIS IS THE ENGINE OF DISCOVERY. WE STARTED WITH
19	THIS ENGINE. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RUN A CERTAIN
20	PROPORTION OF OUR FUNDS AS THE ENGINE. AND TO DATE
21	WE HAVE MADE OVER 183 AWARDS AND INVESTED
22	APPROXIMATELY 232 MILLION INTO THIS AREA.
23	THIS IS SHOWING YOU WHERE ON OUR CHEVRON
24	OUR INITIATIVES, THESE TYPES OF RESEARCH FIT. SO
24 25	OUR INITIATIVES, THESE TYPES OF RESEARCH FIT. SO THIS IS REALLY UNDER BASIC RESEARCH UNDER THE

1	CANDIDATE DISCOVERY RESEARCH AND REALLY TRYING TO
2	UNDERSTAND, INCREASE OUR KNOWLEDGE ABOUT HOW THESE
3	CELLS WORK AND HOW IT MIGHT BE APPLIED TO CLINICAL
4	DISEASES AND INJURY.
5	ONCE AGAIN, I'M JUST GOING TO GIVE YOU A
6	VIGNETTE. OUR BASIC RESEARCH PROGRAM FOCUS HAS BEEN
7	ON HUMAN STEM CELLS. WE SUPPORT BASIC RESEARCH ON
8	HUMAN, STEM, AND PROGENITOR CELLS. THERE'S
9	BASICALLY ABOUT 164 PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS. THESE
10	HAVE ATTRACTED RESEARCHERS THAT CAN BE NEW TO HUMAN
11	STEM CELL RESEARCH THROUGH THE SEED PROGRAM. HERE
12	IT REALLY ATTRACTED INVESTIGATORS THAT WERE NEW. WE
13	STARTED THIS PROGRAM VERY EARLY IN CIRM'S
14	DEVELOPMENT, AND THAT PROGRAM IS NOW COMPLETED, BUT
15	IT WAS REALLY TRYING TO ATTRACT INVESTIGATORS INTO A
16	HIGH RISK NEW FIELD.
17	AND WHAT YOU SEE ON THIS SLIDE IS THAT
18	MANY OF THESE INVESTIGATORS WERE QUITE SUCCESSFUL IN
19	GETTING SUBSEQUENT LARGER AMOUNTS OF AWARDS FROM
20	CIRM OR FROM NIH. SO THESE WERE PEOPLE WHO WERE
21	ABLE TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN THEIR RESEARCH ENDEAVORS
22	AND CONTINUE TO GET RESEARCH FUNDING.
23	TWELVE RECEIVED A THIS IS JUST SHOWING
24	YOU THE SEED INVESTIGATORS. THEY RECEIVED 38 OTHER
25	TYPES OF RESEARCH GRANTS. TWELVE RECEIVED A BASIC
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1	BIOLOGY AWARD, NINE RECEIVED A NEW FACULTY OR NEW
2	STEM CELL LINES OR TRANSPLANTATION IMMUNOLOGY. AND
3	THEN IT SHOWS YOU THE VARIETY OF OTHER AWARDS THAT
4	THEY'VE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN GAINING.
5	THIS IS JUST A VIGNETTE. THIS IS DR.
6	ROBERT BLELLOCH FROM UC SAN FRANCISCO WHO WAS REALLY
7	LOOKING INTO THE UNDERLYING REGULATION OF
8	PLURI POTENT CELLS AND THE ROLE THAT GENES PLAY. AND
9	HE PROVIDED SOME NOVEL INSIGHTS INTO THE CELLULAR
10	MECHANISMS THAT ORCHESTRATE STEM CELL SELF-RENEWAL,
11	AND THIS IS JUST THE PUBLICATION THAT HE HAS FROM
12	THAT PARTICULAR WORK.
13	LARRY GOLDSTEIN IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF A
14	PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR FROM OUR COMPREHENSIVE GRANT.
15	HE'S WORKING ON A VERY CHALLENGING AREA OF
16	ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. HE DEVELOPED DISEASE IN A DISH
17	WHERE HE TOOK SKIN FROM A PATIENT, MANY PATIENTS,
18	WITH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE, INDUCED THEM TO GROW INTO
19	PLURI POTENT CELLS, AND THEY EXPRESSED ATTRIBUTES OF
20	PEOPLE WHO HAVE ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. SO THESE CAN
21	BE USED AS A TOOL FOR STUDYING HOW THAT DISEASE
22	EVOLVES AND COULD ALSO EVENTUALLY BE USED AS A TOOL
23	FOR DRUG DI SCOVERY.
24	THE NEXT CORE PROGRAM THAT WE HAVE ARE
25	TOOLS AND TECHNOLOGY. THIS IS SHOWING YOU THE
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1	DIFFERENT ITERATIONS OF INITIATIVES THAT WE'VE PUT
2	FORWARD. WE'VE INVESTED APPROXIMATELY 54.5 MILLION
3	INTO THIS AREA.
4	THIS COVERS A BROAD SPECTRUM REALLY
5	LOOKING AT THE BOTTLENECKS OR THE OBSTACLES ON THE
6	WAY TO TRANSLATION. SO IT'S LOOKING AT TRYING TO
7	DEVELOP BIOMARKERS OR ASSAYS. IT COULD BE LOOKING
8	AT DRUG SCREENING, COULD BE LOOKING AT DISEASE
9	MODELING, CELL LINE DEVELOPMENT AS A RESEARCH
10	RESOURCE, HOW TO DO THE TISSUE ENGINEERING OF THE
11	CELLS ON A SCAFFOLD, IMAGING TO REALLY TRACK THE
12	CELLS, SEE WHERE THEY GO, WHERE THEY MIGRATE, DO
13	THEY INTEGRATE, DO THEY FUNCTIONALLY DO WHAT YOU
14	WANT THEM TO DO IN THE HUMAN. THESE ARE ALL LOOKING
15	AT TOOLS THAT COULD BE APPLIED FOR OUR RESEARCH.
16	THIS IS JUST AN EXAMPLE OF ONE OF THE
17	AWARDS THAT CONTRIBUTED TO TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT OF
18	AN INSTRUMENT THAT ENABLED MEASUREMENT OF THE
19	ELECTRICAL BEHAVIOR OF HEART CELLS IN SUBTYPES, AND
20	THEY COULD ASCERTAIN THEM IN MIXED POPULATIONS OF
21	CELLS. THIS INDIVIDUAL WENT ON TO AND THE COMPANY
22	WENT ON TO WIN A CONTRACT FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL
23	PROTECTION AGENCY TO SCREEN UP TO 10,000 CHEMICALS
24	AS PART OF THEIR TOXICOLOGY PROGRAM TO LOOK AT THE
25	IMPACT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMICALS ON HOW THEY COULD
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1	IMPACT ON THE BODY AND WHAT KIND OF PARTICULARLY
2	ON THE HEART AND TOXICITY ISSUES.
3	SO THIS WAS A COLLABORATION WITH A COMPANY
4	THAT USED THAT PLATFORM IN CONJUNCTION WITH ANOTHER
5	COMPANY'S PLURIPOTENT STEM CELLS TO REALLY SCREEN
6	FOR NEW DRUG CANDIDATES THAT WOULD HAVE A POTENTIAL
7	CARDIOTOXICITY. SO IT WAS TRYING TO GET A PREDICTOR
8	OF POTENTIAL TOXICITIES THAT MIGHT ARISE IN THE
9	HUMAN.
10	THIS IS OUR EARLY TRANSLATION INITIATIVE.
11	SO NOW WE'RE RUNNING DOWN CLOSER TO THE DEVELOPMENT
12	PATHWAY WHERE WE'RE TRYING TO ESTABLISH PROOF OF
13	CONCEPT IN THE ANIMAL MODEL OR IN THE PRECLINICAL
14	SETTING, TRYING TO IDENTIFY A DEVELOPMENT CANDIDATE
15	THAT COULD EVENTUALLY BE USED AS A THERAPEUTIC
16	I NTERVENTI ON.
17	SO THESE ARE SHOWING A SNAPSHOT OF THE
18	THREE ITERATIONS OF THE EARLY TRANSLATION. WE
19	FUNDED ABOUT 58 OF THESE AWARDS TO THE TUNE OF
20	APPROXIMATELY 214 MILLION. THIS IS WHERE IT SITS IN
21	THE CHEVRON OF GOING FROM BASIC TO EARLY CLINICAL
22	TRI ALS.
23	THIS IS JUST SHOWING YOU THE PANOPLY OF
24	DIFFERENT THERAPEUTIC AREAS. AS I SAID, CIRM IN THE
25	EARLY STAGE, WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE WOW, THE
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1	DISCOVERY COULD COME FROM. SO ACTUALLY WE'VE BEEN
2	RATHER ECUMENICAL IN TERMS OF THE TYPES OF
3	THERAPEUTIC AREAS THAT THESE CAN GO INTO. SO THIS
4	IS JUST SHOWING YOU THE RANGE OF BLOOD DISORDERS,
5	HEMATOLOGIC CANCERS, NEURODEGENERATIVE DISORDERS, A
6	VARIETY OF DIFFERENT DISEASES THAT THIS FUNDING IS
7	REALLY TRYING TO IDENTIFY DEVELOPMENT CANDIDATES IN
8	THESE DIFFERENT THERAPEUTIC AREAS.
9	THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN EARLY TRANSLATION
10	TEAM THAT IS WORKING ON A DISEASE AREA OF RETINITIS
11	PIGMENTOSA WHERE THEY BASICALLY HAVE TUNNEL VISION.
12	THEY REALLY CAN'T SEE THE PERIPHERY. IT'S A
13	CONGENITAL DISEASE. THEIR APPROACH IS TO USE A STEM
14	CELL-BASED APPROACH. AND THIS ACTUALLY EARLY
15	TRANSLATION AWARD HAS NOW BEEN TRANSITIONED INTO,
16	THEY ACTUALLY WERE COMPETITIVE IN GETTING A DISEASE
17	TEAM AWARD. SO NOW THEY'RE ON A ROAD TO FILE THAT
18	IND WITH THE FDA AND CONDUCT A CLINICAL TRIAL.
19	SO THIS IS JUST SHOWING THE PIPELINE IS
20	ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD INTO MORE ADVANCED AREAS OF
21	DEVELOPMENT.
22	THIS IS AN EARLY TRANSLATION VIGNETTE FROM
23	A GROUP AT THE PARKINSON'S INSTITUTE WHERE THEY'RE
24	DEVELOPING A MODEL FOR PARKINSON'S DISEASE. ONCE
25	AGAIN, IT'S A DISEASE IN A DISH USING THESE CELLS
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1	FROM PATIENTS WITH PARKINSON'S DISEASE AND THEN
2	USING IT AS A RESOURCE TO REALLY TRY AND UNDERSTAND
3	MORE ABOUT THE DISEASE OF PARKINSON'S AND EVENTUALLY
4	BE ABLE TO USE IT AS A TOOL FOR DRUG DISCOVERY.
5	THIS HAS LED TO MULTIPLE NEW COLLABORATIONS BOTH
6	WITH INDUSTRY, ACADEMIC, AND ALSO PUBLIC AND
7	PRIVATE. IT'S ALSO LEVERAGED NEW FUNDING FROM THE
8	PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR TO THE TUNE OF
9	APPROXIMATELY 700,000 JUST ON THIS ONE AWARD.
10	THE NEXT INITIATIVES ARE DISEASE TEAM
11	AWARDS. THESE ARE REALLY THE AWARDS, THE COMPLEX
12	MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAMS THAT ARE WORKING ON BRINGING
13	THESE THERAPIES TO PATIENTS.
14	WE HAVE FUNDED TWO ITERATIONS OF DISEASE
15	TEAMS. WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY 25 AWARDS AT THIS
16	POINT IN TIME AND ABOUT 440 MILLION IN TOTAL. THESE
17	ARE THE DIFFERENT DISEASE AREAS THAT THESE DISEASE
18	TEAMS ARE WORKING ON. SO YOU CAN SEE IT'S IN
19	HIV/AIDS, IT'S IN BLOOD DISORDERS, IT'S IN
20	CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, IT'S IN CANCER,
21	NEURODEGENERATIVE DISORDERS, ALSO IN SICKLE CELL
22	CANCERS, IN BETA THALASSEMIA. SO A VARIETY OF VERY
23	IMPORTANT DISEASES OF GREAT INTEREST TO THE CITIZENS
24	OF CALIFORNIA AS WELL AS WORLDWIDE.
25	THESE ARE THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF
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1	THERAPEUTIC MODALITIES THAT WE'RE WORKING ON. YOU
2	HAVE THIS IN YOUR PACKET, SO I WON'T GO OVER IT IN
3	ANY DETAIL OTHER THAN JUST TO TELL YOU WE USE A
4	VARIETY OF DIFFERENT THERAPEUTIC APPROACHES, BOTH
5	ALLOGENEIC, THOSE CELLS OBTAINED FROM OTHER PEOPLE,
6	OR AUTOLOGOUS FROM THE SAME PATIENT. IN ADDITION,
7	WE DO HAVE A SMALL AMOUNT THAT ARE WORKING ON SMALL
8	MOLECULES OR BIOLOGICS THAT ARE WORKING AT
9	CATALYZING THE ENDOGENOUS STEM CELL AND MAKING IT
10	MORE FUNCTIONAL OR HELP REPAIR IN SITES OF INJURY OR
11	DI SEASE.
12	AS MENTIONED EARLIER, ALL OF OUR
13	DEVELOPMENT TEAMS HAVE MILESTONES THAT ARE SET
14	BEFORE ANY MONEY GOES OUT THE DOOR. SO PRIOR TO THE
15	AWARD, THERE'S AGREED UPON, MUTUALLY AGREED UPON GO,
16	NO-GO, AND PROGRESS MILESTONES AND SUCCESS CRITERIA.
17	DURING THE CONDUCT OF THE RESEARCH, THERE'S AN
18	INTERACTIVE ONGOING DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE CIRM
19	SCIENTIST AND THE FUNDED RESEARCH TEAM. WE GET
20	UPDATES ON AN INTERVAL BASIS, AND WE ALSO HAVE AN
21	EXTERNAL TEAM OF EXPERTS THAT COME IN ACTUALLY IN
22	PERSON, MEETS WITH THE TEAM IN PERSON. THE TEAM
23	PROVIDES BACKGROUND INFORMATION IN ADVANCE. AND
24	THEN THEY'RE THERE REALLY TO TRY AND HELP POSITION
25	THE TEAMS TO BE MORE LIKELY TO BE SUCCESSFUL.

1	IN ADDITION, WE WORK EXTENSIVELY WITH THE
2	FDA ON PROVIDING WEBINARS, EDUCATIONAL TOOLS, AND
3	ROUNDTABLES TO HELP OUR INVESTIGATOR BE BETTER
4	POSITIONED FOR SUCCESS DOWN THAT REGULATORY PATHWAY
5	INTO THE CLINIC.
6	THIS IS JUST SHOWING YOU A SNAPSHOT OF THE
7	HORSE RACE OF WHERE THE FIRST COHORT OF DISEASE
8	TEAMS ARE AT THIS POINT IN TIME. AS I MENTIONED,
9	ONE HAS ALREADY FILED SUCCESSFULLY THEIR IND.
10	WITHIN 30 DAYS THEY GOT AN APPROVAL AND THEY'RE NOW
11	IN CLINICAL TRIALS. SO WE'LL BE LOOKING AT THEM AND
12	ASSESSING THEM BEFORE THEY GO ON TO THEIR PHASE II.
13	THIS IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF A THERAPEUTIC
14	APPROACH IN HIV/AIDS. THIS IS HEADED TOWARDS THE
15	CLI NI C.
16	I THINK FOR PURPOSES OF TIME, I WON'T GO
17	INTO THE DETAILS HERE. THIS IS A VERY RARE GENETIC
18	DISORDER WHERE WE'RE WORKING ON A THERAPEUTIC
19	APPROACH WITH CELLS OBTAINED FROM THE PATIENT. IT'S
20	A CONGENITAL DISEASE WHERE THE PATIENT BASICALLY AT
21	THE TIME OF BIRTH, THEIR SKIN SLOUGHS DUE TO A
22	DEFECT IN TYPE 7 COLLAGEN. IT'S A VERY MISERABLE
23	EXISTENCE. AND WHAT THEY'RE TRYING TO DO IS CORRECT
24	THIS GENETIC DEFECT WITH THE COLLAGEN 7 THAT'S
25	NORMAL AND GIVE THIS BACK TO THE PATIENT.
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1	MEMBER BRUNNER: CAN I GO BACK FOR A
2	SECOND AND ASK YOU A QUESTION ON MILESTONES? HOW
3	OFTEN IS THERE A LACK OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE
4	MILESTONES THAT HAVE BEEN SET OUT? AND WHAT IS THE
5	REMEDY IN THOSE SITUATIONS?
6	DR. FEIGAL: WELL, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE THESE
7	SET OUT AT THE BEGINNING. AND THEN THERE'S
8	INTERACTIONS BETWEEN THE SCIENCE THERE'S A
9	SCIENCE OFFICER ASSIGNED TO EVERY AWARD, AND THEY'RE
10	RESPONSIBLE AND ACCOUNTABLE TO WORK WITH THAT TEAM.
11	IN ADDITION, WE WORK INTERNALLY AS WELL AS WITH OUR
12	EXTERNAL ADVISORS. BUT IF THE SCIENCE DOESN'T
13	COOPERATE, THEY ACTUALLY GET THE DATA, BUT IT'S NOT
14	IN THE DIRECTION WE WANT, WE CAN EITHER REFINE OR
15	TERMINATE THE AWARD.
16	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: ELLEN, YOU SHOULD
17	DESCRIBE THE ONE INSTANCE IN THE DISEASE TEAM
18	BECAUSE I THINK IT SHOWS THAT OUR SCIENCE STAFF IS
19	REALLY ON TOP OF THIS, AND THE MONEY JUST DOESN'T GO
20	OUT THE DOOR UNMONITORED.
21	DR. FEIGAL: SO IF A NO-GO IS MET, AND
22	THAT IS TO SAY IT'S NO GO, THEN THE AWARD HAS BEEN
23	TERMINATED. SO WE DO FOLLOW THROUGH WITH WHAT WE
24	SAY.
25	MEMBER KOVACH: I THINK THE MILESTONE
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PHILOSOPHY IS A VERY GOOD ONE. I THINK IT ALLOWS
ONE TO MAKE SOME BETS IN AREAS. AND ACTUALLY THE
WAY I VIEW THE TERMINATION OF THAT ONE PROJECT IS AS
A POSITIVE IN THE SENSE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO TRY
YOUR BEST, BUT YOU DON'T KNOW HOW SCIENCE IS GOING
TO WORK OUT, AND SO YOU CAN HAVE A MECHANISM IN
THERE TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE NOT THROWING GOOD MONEY
AFTER BAD, SO TO SPEAK, IF IT DOESN'T HIT A
MILESTONE. SO I THINK IT'S VERY GOOD.
DR. FEIGAL: WE STILL LEARN. THESE ARE
IMPORTANT LEARNINGS THAT WE CAN EXTRAPOLATE TO OTHER
AREAS. SO EVEN IN AN EXPERIMENT THAT DOESN'T GO
FORWARD, WE STILL LEARN QUITE A BIT FROM IT BECAUSE
OF THE QUESTIONS THAT WE'RE ANSWERING. SO I THINK
IT'S MONEY THAT'S WELL CONSIDERED AND WELL SPENT,
AND WE'RE VIGOROUSLY MONITORING PROGRESS ALONG THE
WAY.
THIS LAST ONE IS REALLY JUST SHOWING YOU
THAT WE ALSO HAVE APPROACHES GOING INTO THE CLINIC
IN CANCER. ONCE AGAIN, THESE ARE JUST VIGNETTES.
AND THIS IS JUST SHOWING AN APPROACH USING NEURAL
STEM CELLS AS A HOMING MECHANISM TO DELIVER A
CHEMOTHERAPEUTIC PAYLOAD TO A PARTICULARLY
HARD-TO-TREAT CANCER, GLIOBLASTOMA IN THE BRAIN,
WHERE THERE ARE REALLY VERY MODEST THERAPEUTIC
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1	OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE RIGHT NOW. SO THIS IS A
2	HIGH UNMET NEED.
3	THIS PARTICULAR INVESTIGATOR HAS ALSO SPUN
4	OUT A COMPANY AS HAVE SOME OF OUR OTHER
5	INVESTIGATORS SO THAT THEY ARE THINKING ABOUT HOW TO
6	MOVE FORWARD IN THE FUTURE. CIRM IS FUNDING THIS
7	ASPECT OF IT, BUT THEY'RE TO THINK TO THE FUTURE
8	ABOUT HOW THEY CAN LEVERAGE FUNDING WITH FUNDING
9	THAT'S EXTERNAL TO CIRM IN ORDER TO MOVE FORWARD.
10	SO JUST AS A SUMMARY, OVER HALF OF THE
11	DISEASE TEAM IS, THE FIRST COHORT OF DISEASE TEAMS,
12	HAVE SUCCESSFULLY ADVANCED THROUGH A VERY IMPORTANT
13	REGULATORY MILESTONE, THEIR PRE-IND MEETING WITH THE
14	FDA. THEY NOW HAVE A CLEARER, MORE PREDICTABLE
15	PATHWAY TOWARDS THE IND FILING IN THE CLINIC. WE
16	HAVE ONE CLINICAL TRIAL THAT'S ALREADY STARTED IN
17	2013. WE EXPECT ONE TO TWO MORE THIS YEAR. WE
18	EXPECT TO HAVE FIVE CLINICAL TRIALS BY THE END OF
19	NEXT YEAR. FIVE OF THESE DISEASE TEAMS HAVE
20	COLLABORATIVE FUNDING PARTNERS. ONE HAS A
21	COLLABORATION WITH A DISEASE FOUNDATION, TWO ALREADY
22	HAVE COMPANIES AS THE PI OR THE CO-PI, AND TWO HAVE
23	FOUNDED COMPANIES. THERE'S BEEN 21 INVENTION
24	DISCLOSURES, 24 ACTIVE PENDING PATENT APPLICATIONS.
25	JUST FROM THIS ONE GROUP, THERE'S BEEN 18 SCIENTIFIC

1	PUBLI CATI ONS.
2	SO I HOPE THAT'S BEEN HELPFUL. IT WAS
3	REALLY JUST TO PROVIDE YOU A TASTE OF WHERE WE ARE
4	AT THIS POINT.
5	MEMBER SADANA: THIS IS VERY IMPRESSIVE,
6	AND I'M GLAD TO SEE RESULTS BEING SHOWN THIS TIME.
7	I HAVE TWO QUESTIONS. WHERE WE ARE
8	COMPARED WITH THE OTHER STATES IN THE NATION IN STEM
9	CELL RESEARCH?
10	DR. FEIGAL: I THINK CALIFORNIA IS REALLY
11	LEADING THE NATION IN STEM CELL RESEARCH, AND PEOPLE
12	LOOK TO CALIFORNIA FOR LEADERSHIP IN THIS AREA. I'M
13	NOT SURE DOES THAT ANSWER YOUR QUESTION?
14	MEMBER SADANA: THERE ARE SOME OTHER
15	STATES LIKE GEORGIA, ETC., AND TEXAS DOING A LOT OF
16	RESEARCH ON THIS AND HAVE STARTED. SO ARE WE FAR
17	AHEAD?
18	DR. FEIGAL: I THINK IN TERMS OF WHAT THE
19	MAGNITUDE OF WHAT WE'RE DOING AND THE THERAPEUTIC
20	AREAS AND THE SPECTRUM FROM BASIC BIOLOGY TO
21	CLINICAL TRIALS, I THINK, FAR SURPASSES WHAT OTHER
22	GROUPS ARE DOING IN THE STEM CELL FIELD IN THE
23	UNITED STATES.
24	MEMBER SADANA: SECONDLY, WHEN IS THE LAST
25	GRANT TO BE GIVEN OUT? IS THERE A TIMELINE OF WHEN

1	WE RUN OUT OF MONEY OR CIRM RUNS OUT OF FUNDS?
2	DR. FEIGAL: THE CHAIRMAN MAY WANT TO
3	COMMENT ON THAT. RIGHT NOW WE'RE FORECASTING TO
4	GIVE OUR LAST GRANT IN 2016, 2017. AND THEN THOSE
5	GRANTS CAN HAVE THREE- TO FIVE-YEAR LIFE SPANS. SO
6	THEN THEY WILL NEED TO BE CONTINUED TO BE MONITORED.
7	FOR EXAMPLE, THESE TYPES OF AWARDS NEED TO BE
8	MANAGED QUITE AGGRESSIVELY.
9	I DON'T KNOW IF, JONATHAN, YOU HAVE
10	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS.
11	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: NO. I THINK THAT'S
12	RIGHT. THAT SORT OF SEGUES INTO THE ISSUE OF
13	TRANSITION, WHICH IS BECOMING SORT OF AN
14	INCREASINGLY FRONT-BURNER ISSUE AS TO WHAT WE WILL
15	DO TO TRY TO MOVE PROJECTS ALONG EITHER IF THERE IS
16	NO ADDITIONAL FUNDING OR WHAT HAPPENS IF THERE IS
17	ADDITIONAL FUNDING. SO WE'RE PAYING A LOT OF
18	ATTENTION ON BOTH ACCOUNTS.
19	WITH RESPECT TO SCENARIOS WHERE WE DON'T
20	HAVE ADDITIONAL FUNDING, FOR EXAMPLE, WE SPENT A LOT
21	OF TIME TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET PARTIES THAT
22	ARE DOWN THE ROAD IN THE SPECTRUM, WHICH IS
23	TYPICALLY THE LARGE BIOTECH, THE VENTURE CAPITAL,
24	THE BIG PHARMA, ETC., INTERESTED IN THE PROJECTS
25	THAT WE HAVE. AND I KNOW ELLEN CAN SPEAK TO THIS.
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1	WE'VE INCREASINGLY ENGAGED, FOR EXAMPLE, BIG PHARMA
2	WHO HAS SORT OF COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT A LOT OF
3	R&D MONEY THEY'RE INVESTING IN-HOUSE HASN'T REALLY
4	PAID DIVIDENDS THE LAST TEN YEARS. SO THEY'RE NOW
5	OUT LOOKING FOR THE EARLIER RESEARCH, MORE NIMBLE
6	GUYS WHO ARE AT STAGES THAT THEY TYPICALLY WOULDN'T
7	FUND AT THIS POINT; BUT THEY NOW UNDERSTAND THAT IF
8	THEY WANT TO GENERATE PIPELINE DOWN THE ROAD, THEY
9	NEED TO START CONSIDERING NEW POTENTIAL THERAPIES
10	AND CELLULAR THERAPIES THAT OUR SCIENTISTS ARE
11	WORKING ON ARE ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL AREAS. SO WE
12	HAVE INCREASING NUMBERS OF MEETINGS WITH BIG PHARMA
13	TO TRY TO DEVELOP STRATEGIC ALLIANCES FOR OUR
14	SCIENTISTS WHO ARE WORKING ON VARIOUS DISEASES.
15	ELLEN, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO COMMENT
16	ON THAT.
17	DR. FEIGAL: YEAH. WHAT I CAN COMMENT ON
18	IS THAT ACTUALLY THE RECENT JP MORGAN CONFERENCE
19	THAT WAS UP IN SAN FRANCISCO THE FIRST WEEK IN
20	JANUARY WHERE WE HAD OVER 30 MEETINGS WITH VC'S AND
21	PHARMA AND BIOTECH, AND THEY'RE QUITE INTERESTED.
22	WE'RE INTERESTED IN DOING MATCHMAKING. IN ADDITION,
23	WE HAVE A STEM CELL AND PARTNERING FORUM IN SAN
24	DIEGO EVERY YEAR, WHICH BRINGS TOGETHER TWO TO 300
25	DIFFERENT INVESTIGATORS AND COMPANIES. THAT'S BEEN
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1	AN EXTREMELY EXCELLENT VENUE FOR INTERACTIONS.
2	SO WE'RE DOING WHAT WE CAN REALLY TO
3	ENGAGE THE GROUPS THAT CAN CARRY FORWARD THE TYPE OF
4	RESEARCH THAT WE'RE PUTTING FORWARD BECAUSE AT THE
5	END OF THE DAY, OBVIOUSLY, WE WANT THIS TO GO INTO
6	PRODUCTS FOR PATIENTS. SO WE ARE WORKING RIGHT NOW.
7	IF YOU THINK BACK TO THAT SLIDE TWO OF OUR STRATEGIC
8	PLAN, TO GET THOSE PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS
9	IN PLACE SO THAT BY 2016 AND BEYOND, WE WILL HAVE
10	ESTABLISHED SOME OF THOSE COLLABORATIONS AND
11	PARTNERSHIPS TO ENABLE THAT PROJECT TO BE ABLE TO
12	MOVE FORWARD.
13	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE
14	THAT, AND ELLEN ALLUDED TO THIS A BIT EARLIER, THE
15	PROJECTS AS THEY SORT OF MOVE THEIR LIFE CYCLE
16	STARTING FROM BASIC RESEARCH THROUGH EARLY
17	TRANSLATION INTO ANIMAL STUDIES AND ULTIMATELY TO
18	HUMAN CLINICAL STUDIES BECOME INCREASINGLY MORE
19	APPEALING FOR THOSE THAT ARE THE LIGHTS AT THE END
20	OF THE TUNNEL, WHICH ARE THE GROUPS WE'RE JUST
21	MENTIONING. SO YOU SHOULD EXPECT TO SEE ANNUALLY AT
22	THIS MEETING THAT THERE IS A TREND OF OUR PROJECTS
23	CONTINUING ALONG FURTHER TOWARDS THAT TIME WHEN THEY
24	WILL BE OF INTEREST TO THESE STRATEGIC PARTIES AND
25	THAT THERE WILL BE MORE AND MORE LINKAGES TO HELP
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1	FACILITATE CARRYING THEIR RESEARCH ON DOWN THE ROAD
2	AND HOPEFULLY INTO COMMERCIALIZABLE FORM AND
3	ULTIMATELY TO THERAPIES OR CURES FOR PATIENTS.
4	DR. FEIGAL: THE OTHER AREA AS A
5	NONPROFIT, BECAUSE WE AREN'T A COMPANY, WE'RE ABLE
6	TO WORK VERY EXTENSIVELY WITH THE FOOD AND DRUG
7	ADMINISTRATION WHICH REVIEWS AND APPROVES THE IND'S
8	AND EVENTUALLY THE PRODUCT THAT CAN GO INTO PEOPLE.
9	AND SO THEY ACTUALLY VERY MUCH BENEFIT FROM OUR
10	INTERACTIONS FROM TRYING TO BRING THE SCIENCE TO
11	THEM SO THAT WE CAN WORK TOGETHER BECAUSE THESE ARE
12	VERY PIONEER THERAPIES THAT ARE GOING DOWN A
13	REGULATORY PATH. SO IT'S NOT JUST HELPFUL TO THE
14	PROJECT. WE THINK THAT BY BEING THE PIONEERS, WE
15	ACTUALLY HELP EXPLAIN THE PATHWAY SO THAT SUBSEQUENT
16	PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS CAN MOVE FORWARD HOPEFULLY A
17	LITTLE BIT EASIER AND MORE QUICKER.
18	MEMBER BRUNNER: I KNOW THIS IS HARD TO
19	ASSESS, BUT DO YOU HAVE ANY SENSE AT ALL AT THIS
20	POINT WHAT THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS WILL
21	PRODUCE IN THE WAY OF REVENUE?
22	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: WELL, JAMES, YOU JUST
23	WANT TO TALK ABOUT INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS IN
24	GENERAL, AND THEN I'LL MAKE A COMMENT ON THAT
25	QUESTI ON.
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MR. HARRISON: I BRIEFLY DESCRIBED THE
VARIOUS INTELLECTUAL PROVISIONS THAT ARE IN
EXISTENCE. SO THERE ARE WAYS BY WHICH THE STATE
WILL SHARE BOTH IN LICENSING REVENUES AND ROYALTIES
AS WELL AS PREFERENTIAL PRICING AND ACCESS.
IN TERMS OF WHAT WE ESTIMATE THOSE
REVENUES TO BE, I THINK IT'S PROBABLY PREMATURE AT
THIS POINT GIVEN THE RELATIVELY EARLY STAGE OF THE
RESEARCH EVEN WITH OUR MOST ADVANCED PROGRAMS JUST
GOING INTO CLINICAL TRIAL.
CHAIRMAN THOMAS: I THINK THAT REPHRASING
THE QUESTION IS SORT OF WHICH THINGS ARE GOING TO
PAN OUT IN THE END, AND IT'S A VERY DIFFICULT THING
TO SPECULATE ON. WHAT WE CAN REPORT ON IS EACH YEAR
IS DECIDED PROGRESS, UNDERSTANDING THAT SCIENCE
TAKES TIME. THIS ISN'T AN OVERNIGHT DEAL. AND
WE'RE OPTIMISTIC THAT WE WILL HAVE A NUMBER OF
THINGS PAN OUT AT THE END OF THE DAY. BUT AS WE SIT
HERE, WE COULDN'T TELL YOU WHICH ONES OR THE TIME
FRAME OR ANYTHING ELSE.
KEEP IN MIND THAT TO THE EXTENT THERE ARE
MAJOR SUCCESSES, IT WILL NOT ONLY RESULT IN SOME
DRAMATIC REVENUE TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, BUT ANY
SUCCESS ON THE STUFF WE'RE WORKING ON IS A REAL GAME
CHANGER AND WILL FUNDAMENTALLY ALTER THE MEDICAL
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1	LANDSCAPE, NOT JUST HERE, BUT OBVIOUSLY NATIONALLY
2	AND WORLDWIDE. SO STAY TUNED. LOOK FORWARD TO
3	BEING ABLE TO GIVE YOU UPDATES ON THE PROGRESS OF
4	THE INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS.
5	AND WE CAN GIVE YOU LOTS OF INDIVIDUAL
6	PROJECT DATA TO THE EXTENT THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING
7	THAT WOULD BE OF INTEREST. IT WOULD BE A BIT MUCH
8	TO GET INTO AT A MEETING LIKE THIS, BUT WE HAVE ALL
9	THAT AVAILABLE AND READILY ENCOURAGE EACH AND EVERY
10	ONE OF YOU TO INQUIRE BECAUSE I THINK YOU WILL SEE
11	THAT IT'S TREMENDOUSLY EXCITING WHAT'S GOING ON.
12	MEMBER LIPSON: EXCUSE ME. YOUR CONTRACTS
13	WITH PRIVATE ENTERPRISE, LIKE A TENTH OF A PERCENT
14	OF THEIR NET; IS THAT CORRECT, WHICH WOULD GO BACK
15	TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA?
16	MEMBER KOVACH: JAMES, YOU MENTIONED A
17	FORMULA.
18	MR. HARRISON: RIGHT. BUT THE REVENUE
19	SHARING FORMULA APPLIES TO BOTH FOR-PROFITS AND
20	NOT-FOR-PROFITS. SO NON-PROFITS HAVE A LICENSE
21	REVENUE SHARING OBLIGATION. AND FOR COMPANIES THAT
22	COMMERCIALIZE A PRODUCT, THEY HAVE A ROYALTY SHARING
23	OBLI GATI ON.
24	MEMBER LIPSON: AND WHAT IS ROYALTY
25	SHARI NG OBLI GATI ON?
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1	MR. HARRISON: THE ROYALTY SHARING
2	OBLIGATION IS ONE-TENTH OF 1 PERCENT FOR EACH \$1
3	MILLION OF CIRM FUNDING. SO IF YOU HAD A \$10
4	MILLION CIRM AWARD, IT WOULD BE 1 PERCENT UP TO NINE
5	TIMES THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD.
6	MEMBER LIPSON: SO THAT BASICALLY IF YOU
7	HAVE A PRODUCT THAT MAKES A BILLION DOLLARS A YEAR,
8	AND THEN YOU GO NET AND IT'S LIKE \$10 MILLION OR \$50
9	MILLION A YEAR, YOU'RE REALLY NOT GOING TO BE GIVING
10	HUGE AMOUNTS BACK TO THE GENERAL FUND.
11	MR. HARRISON: ON TOP OF THAT, YOU WOULD
12	HAVE AN ONGOING OBLIGATION FOR REVENUES OVER 500
13	MILLION OF AN ADDITIONAL 1 PERCENT.
14	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: VERY GOOD. WE WILL GO
15	TO THE NEXT ITEM, WHICH IS ITEM NO. 7, DISCUSSION OF
16	2012 CIRM PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND CIRM RESPONSE,
17	INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE REPORT, AND MOSS ADAMS
18	PERFORMANCE AUDIT. I'D LIKE TO INVITE MARK
19	STERANKA, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND POLICY FOR
20	MOSS-ADAMS, TO PRESENT THE FINDINGS FROM THEIR
21	PERFORMANCE AUDIT. THANK YOU.
22	MR. STERANKA: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR,
23	MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME
24	HERE. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE AND BE ABLE TO
25	SHARE A STUDY WHICH IS NOW, I GUESS, ABOUT A YEAR
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1	OLD. SO I'M STILL REFRESHING MY MIND IN A WAY OF
2	WHAT WE HAD TO SAY.
3	I BELIEVE YOU HAVE A COPY IN YOUR PACKET.
4	I THINK YOURS IS ENTITLED BY THE ACRONYM OF YOUR
5	ORGANIZATION, WHICH, IN FACT, MATCHES THE ONE THAT
6	IS PRESENTED. SO IT'S THE SAME PRESENTATION THAT I
7	GAVE TO THE ICOC BACK ON MAY 24TH OF 2012. I'M
8	GOING TO KEEP MY COMMENTS AS BRIEF AS I CAN TO GIVE
9	YOU AS MUCH TIME AS POSSIBLE TO ASK QUESTIONS.
10	SO A FEW INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS. THE FIRST
11	THING IS I'D LIKE YOU TO I'M GOING TO SHARE THE
12	THINGS THAT I WOULD HOPE WOULD BE YOUR TAKE-AWAYS IF
13	I WAS SITTING IN YOUR SEATS AND THE THINGS I WOULD
14	BE INTERESTED IN. I'M SURE YOU'LL ASK ME QUESTIONS
15	ABOUT THINGS I DON'T FOCUS ON, BUT I'M GOING TO TRY
16	TO HIT THINGS THAT I THINK WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO
17	YOU.
18	IT'S IMPORTANT TO KNOW THAT WHEN WE
19	CONDUCTED THIS PERFORMANCE AUDIT, AS IT IS FOR, IN
20	ESSENCE, ALL PERFORMANCE AUDITS, THAT WE HAVE FREE
21	REIN TO GO WHERE WE WANT TO GO WITHIN THE
22	ORGANIZATION TO PURSUE THE TOPICS THAT WE THINK ARE
23	OF MOST INTEREST. CERTAINLY WE HAVE COMPLIANCE
24	ELEMENTS THAT WE HAVE TO ADDRESS; BUT WHEN WE TALK
25	ABOUT ECONOMY, EFFICIENCY, EFFECTIVENESS OF HOW AN
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ORGANIZATION OPERATES, WE KIND OF FOLLOW OUR NOSE.
THERE ARE THINGS THAT WE LOOK FOR. AND THEN AS WE
GET INTO THE PROCESS, WE DISCOVER THINGS. AND IT'S
REALLY IMPORTANT TO KNOW THAT WE HAVE THAT FREE REIN
TO GO WHEREVER WE WANT TO GO THROUGH THIS PROCESS.
WE REALLY FOCUSED ON TWO AND OUR AUDIT
OBJECTIVES REALLY FOCUSED ON TWO PRIMARY COMPONENTS.
ONE WAS COMPLIANCE RELATIVE TO THE CORE FUNCTIONS OF
CIRM, WHICH ARE THE GRANTS, THE LOANS, THE
CONTRACTS, AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY WHICH YOU'VE
BEEN TALKING ABOUT. AND THE SECOND AREA OF FOCUS
WAS ECONOMY, EFFICIENCY, AND EFFECTIVENESS OF
MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS; I.E., ALL THE SUPPORT
FUNCTIONS THAT GO INTO RUNNING THE ORGANIZATION.
IT'S IMPORTANT TO KNOW THAT WE WEREN'T
EVALUATING THE SCIENCE. WE WEREN'T EVALUATING THE
VALIDITY OF SCIENTIFIC DECISIONS. WE'RE TALKING
ABOUT THE PROCESS BY WHICH THE ORGANIZATION CARRIES
OUT THOSE DECISIONS AND FOLLOWS THEIR PROCEDURES AND
POLI CI ES.
IN TERMS OF A PROCESS, WE FOLLOWED
STANDARD PERFORMANCE AUDIT PROCESS, A PROCESS THAT'S
OVERSEEN AND GUIDED BY WHAT'S CALLED GAGAS, THE
GENERALLY ACCEPTED GOVERNMENT AUDIT STANDARDS, WHICH
JUST MEANS THAT WE HAVE TO BE OBJECTIVE, WE HAVE TO
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1	HAVE SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE FOR OUR FINDINGS, THAT WE
2	NEED TO CHECK THE VALIDITY OF FACTS RELATIVE TO
3	THOSE FINDINGS WITH THE CLIENT, THE CLIENT HAS THE
4	OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT COMMENTS ON OUR
5	FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. A VERY LOGICAL, VERY
6	STANDARD APPROACH.
7	IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THIS PARTICULAR
8	AUDIT WAS CONDUCTED AT A POINT IN TIME, NOW, AGAIN,
9	ABOUT A YEAR AGO. FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE, IT
10	WAS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010 AND 2011, SO LOOKING AT A
11	SPECIFIC WINDOW IN TIME. FROM A PERFORMANCE
12	STANDPOINT, IT WAS THAT POINT IN TIME. AND SO, IN
13	FACT, ONE OF THE CHALLENGES OF DOING STUDIES LIKE
14	THIS ARE THINGS DON'T STOP FOR A CLIENT. THEY DON'T
15	STOP EVERYTHING AND SAY WE'RE GOING TO LET YOU DO
16	WHAT WE LIKE TO CALL POKE AND PROD US. THEY'RE
17	DOING THINGS. SO THEY'RE IN THE MIDST OF WORKING ON
18	THINGS THAT WE'RE FINDING AS WE'RE CONDUCTING OUR
19	AUDI T.
20	STANDARD PROCESS, DO A LOT OF INTERVIEWS
21	VERTICALLY, HORIZONTALLY ACROSS THE ORGANIZATION,
22	INCORPORATING BOARD MEMBERS, GRANTS WORKING GROUP
23	MEMBERS. REVIEWING DOCUMENTS, IN THIS CASE
24	LITERALLY OVER A HUNDRED DOCUMENTS. I APOLOGIZE TO
25	CIRM FOR THAT. PROCESS WALK-THROUGHS, SITTING DOWN
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WITH EMPLOYEES AND MANAGEMENT AND ACTUALLY
UNDERSTANDING AND SEE HOW THEY DO, HOW THEY PROCESS
A GRANT, HOW THEY TRACK INFORMATION, HOW THEY REPORT
TO THE SCO, ETC. AND THEN TESTING, DOING
STATISTICALLY VALID SAMPLING AND TESTING RELATIVE TO
COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES.
OUR DELIVERABLES WERE FOURFOLD. ONE IS
OUR AUDIT PLAN AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PROJECT.
THAT STIPULATES WHAT WE'RE GOING TO AUDIT, HOW WE'RE
GOING TO AUDIT, WHAT OUR OBJECTIVES ARE. AND THEN
THREE VERSIONS OF THE REPORT, A DRAFT REPORT, A
DRAFT FINAL REPORT. AND FINAL REPORT WITH TWO ITEMS
I WOULD JUST ADD TO THAT LIST IS, AS WE DEVELOP OUR
FINDINGS, WE MEET WITH MANAGEMENT. WE REVIEW THOSE
FINDINGS TO VALIDATE FACTS. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE
GOT THINGS RIGHT. WE DIDN'T MISS THINGS THAT ONE
SHOULD KNOW ABOUT.
ONCE WE HAVE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
IN PLACE, WE AGAIN MEET WITH MANAGEMENT, REVIEW
FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BECAUSE WE'RE TRYING TO
TEST THE PRACTICALITY OF RECOMMENDATIONS.
WE MIGHT BRING WHAT WE THINK IS A BEST
PRACTICE FROM ANOTHER ORGANIZATION, AND THE CLIENT
MAY SAY THAT'S GREAT, BUT YOU KNOW WHAT, THAT WON'T
WORK HERE. HERE'S WHY. SO THAT'S OUR CHANCE TO

1	TEST BECAUSE WE'RE TRYING TO DELIVER VALUE. WE
2	DON'T WANT THINGS THAT ARE THEORETICALLY BENEFICIAL.
3	WE WANT THINGS THAT ARE PRACTICALLY BENEFICIAL.
4	SO BEFORE I TALK ABOUT FINDINGS AND
5	RECOMMENDATIONS, I WANT TO SHARE OBSERVATIONS. AND
6	WE COMMONLY DO THIS. AND WE DON'T USE THESE WORDS
7	LIGHTLY, WHETHER IT'S POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE. AND WE
8	CONDUCT, I CONDUCT HUNDREDS OF THESE WITH
9	GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES, WITH NOT-FOR-PROFIT ENTITIES.
10	AND WE CAN SAY THAT CIRM IS A HIGH PERFORMING
11	ORGANIZATION. WE WERE VERY IMPRESSED WITH THEM. WE
12	WERE IMPRESSED WITH THEIR PROFESSIONALISM. WE WERE
13	IMPRESSED WITH THEIR INTELLIGENCE. AND WE WERE
14	WORKING ALONGSIDE A LOT OF PH.D.'S, SO WE SORT OF
15	HAD TO BE ON OUR TOES, WHICH WAS GREAT.
16	IT WAS CLEAR THAT THE ORGANIZATION IS VERY
17	MISSION DRIVEN. THEY WERE DEDICATED TO BEING
18	TRANSPARENT IN THEIR INFORMATION. THEY'RE DEDICATED
19	TO SPENDING PUBLIC DOLLARS WISELY. THESE ARE ALL
20	THINGS THAT WE LOOK FOR WHEN WE WORK WITH GOVERNMENT
21	ENTITIES, WHETHER OR NOT WE ARE BEING CALLED ON TO
22	COMMENT ON THOSE SPECIFICALLY OR NOT.
23	AND THEN I WOULD JUST SHARE THAT WHILE WE
24	HAVE FREE REIN, THAT IS THEORETICAL. OUR ABILITY TO
25	DRIVE VALUE FOR OUR CLIENTS WHEN WE DO THIS TYPE OF
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1	WORK IS PARTIALLY DEPENDENT ON THEIR COOPERATION.
2	THEIR ABILITY TO HELP US NAVIGATE AN ORGANIZATION,
3	THEIR ABILITY TO SHARE INFORMATION, WHAT LEVEL OF
4	DETAIL, HOW TIMELY, ALL THAT MATTERS. AND WE CAN
5	SAY UNEQUIVOCALLY THAT CIRM WAS INCREDIBLY HELPFUL
6	IN THAT PROCESS. THEY MADE OUR JOB EASY.
7	NOW, THEY ARE STUDIED A LOT, SO THEY ARE
8	USED TO THIS. SO IT WASN'T LIKE WE HAD TO TEACH
9	THEM HOW TO DO THIS, BUT THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS
10	THEY DID HELP MAKE US EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT IN
11	WHAT WE WERE DOING AND, THEREFORE, WE'RE ABLE TO
12	SHARE MORE IN TERMS OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.
13	ANOTHER OBSERVATION AND REALLY CONTEXT FOR
14	STUDY IS ONE OF THE REAL UNIQUE FACETS OF CIRM.
15	THERE ARE MANY THINGS THAT ARE UNIQUE ABOUT
16	ORGANIZATIONS, CIRM. THEIR PARTICULAR MISSION AND
17	HOW THEY'RE FUNDED IS UNIQUE, BUT ONE OTHER VERY
18	UNIQUE ELEMENT AND CHALLENGE, HONESTLY, AND, J.T.,
19	IT WAS A GOOD SEGUE TALKING ABOUT TRANSITION, IS WE
20	WORK WITH START-UPS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR. WE WORK
21	WITH GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES WHO ARE SUNSETTING
22	PROGRAMS. WE DON'T TYPICALLY WORK WITH
23	ORGANIZATIONS THAT COULD BE SUNSETTED. AND IN
24	REALITY I WOULD CHARACTERIZE CIRM AS BOTH RAMPING UP
25	AND HAVING TO THINK ABOUT RAMPING DOWN ALL AT THE
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1	SAME TIME, WHICH IS VERY UNIQUE. AND IT'S A VERY
2	UNIQUE CHALLENGE AND AFFECTS THE ORGANIZATION AND
3	NEEDS TO BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION IN DIFFERENT
4	WAYS. SO THAT WAS UNIQUE.
5	AND I WOULD CHARACTERIZE, ALTHOUGH WE WERE
6	DOING AN ASSESSMENT AT A POINT IN TIME, IS THAT THE
7	YEARS, SORT OF SEVEN YEARS PREVIOUS OF CIRM'S
8	EXISTENCE WAS REALLY ALL ABOUT BECOMING AN EFFECTIVE
9	ORGANIZATION. HOW DO WE EFFECTIVELY UTILIZE THE
10	DOLLARS THAT WERE BEING PROVIDED TO ACHIEVE OUR
11	MI SSI ON?
12	AND WHERE WE HIT THEM WAS REALLY THAT'S
13	WHERE THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES TO BECOME MORE
14	EFFICIENT. WE GOT GOOD AT WHAT WE'RE DOING. HOW
15	CAN WE DO THAT MORE EFFICIENTLY? HOW CAN WE SPEND
16	MORE TIME ON THE THINGS THAT WE WANT TO? HOW CAN WE
17	FREE UP TIME TO SPEND MORE TIME ON REVIEWING THE
18	PROGRESS OF THE PROJECTS? AND SO KIND OF WORKING ON
19	EFFECTIVENESS WAS LOOKING BACK, WORKING ON
20	EFFICIENCY LOOKING FORWARD. BUT, AGAIN, THE
21	CHALLENGE OF YOU HAVE TO BALANCE IN THERE THAT THE
22	ORGANIZATION COULD THEORETICALLY NOT EXIST IN A
23	PERIOD OF TIME. AND SO AS THE ORGANIZATION
24	CONSIDERS OUR FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, HOW DO
25	YOU BALANCE WHAT YOU DO ABOUT THEM GIVEN THAT OUR
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1	FUTURE IS TENUOUS, COULD TAKE DIFFERENT PATHS.
2	SO FINDINGS, SO WHAT DID WE LEARN? WHAT
3	WOULD I WANT TO BE TAKE-AWAYS FROM THIS? FIRST, I
4	WOULD START WITH THIS IS A VERY FAVORABLE REPORT IN
5	TERMS OF WHAT WE FOUND. CLIENTS ARE OFTEN VERY
6	SENSITIVE TO RECOMMENDATIONS AND FINDINGS ASSOCIATED
7	WITH HOW TO IMPROVE, BUT THAT'S WHAT WE'RE HIRED TO
8	DO. AND OUR JOB IS TO DELIVER AS MUCH VALUE IN THAT
9	PROCESS. EVERY ORGANIZATION CAN BE BETTER. OUR JOB
10	IS TO FIND AS MUCH AS WE CAN, WHATEVER IT IS, TO
11	HELP THE ORGANIZATION BE MORE, OPERATE BETTER IN THE
12	FUTURE.
13	SO I'M GOING TO TALK BRIEFLY ABOUT FIVE
14	CATEGORIES, WHICH IS HOW WE GROUPED OUR FINDINGS AND
15	RECOMMENDATIONS. THE FIRST IS RELATIVE TO
16	COMPLIANCE. SO WE WERE TASKED WITH LOOKING AT IS
17	CIRM COMPLIANT WITH ITS POLICIES RELATIVE TO ITS
18	CORE BUSINESS, GRANTS, LOANS, CONTRACTS, AND
19	INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY? WHAT WE FOUND IS THROUGH
20	INTERNAL CONTROLS TESTING, ETC., YES, THEY'RE
21	COMPLIANT. THAT WAS VERY CLEAR.
22	THE ONE AREA WHERE CIRM HAS AN OPPORTUNITY
23	TO IMPROVE, AND YOU'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT, IS
24	INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY. THE ORGANIZATION IS STILL
25	VERY EARLY IN REALITY ON THIS TOPIC, AND THEY HAVE
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1	BEEN WORKING TOWARDS LEARNING HOW TO GATHER THAT
2	INFORMATION FROM THE BASE OF INSTITUTIONS AND
3	RECIPIENTS OF GRANTS AND LOANS AND HAVE MADE GREAT
4	PROGRESS IN THAT AND WERE MAKING PROGRESS ON THAT AS
5	WE WERE CONDUCTING OUR AUDIT. THAT'S AN AREA THAT
6	WE WILL CONTINUE, I'M SURE, TO WORK ON AS THAT
7	BECOMES MORE AND MORE RELEVANT TO ITS ONGOING
8	OPERATI ONS.
9	PERFORMANCE AND OUTCOMES. CIRM, AS YOU'VE
10	SEEN FROM THE VERY INSIGHTFUL INFORMATION SHARED,
11	AND LET ME SAY I'M TALKING IN NONSCIENTIFIC TERMS,
12	HOPEFULLY THAT'S A BENEFIT, THERE IS A LOT OF
13	INFORMATION AND DATA THAT'S EXTREMELY IMPORTANT
14	THAT'S BEING GENERATED AS A RESULT OF THE MONEY
15	THAT'S BEING SPENT. THERE'S NO SHORTAGE OF
16	I NFORMATI ON.
17	WHAT WE FOUND IS, WE THINK, AN ABILITY TO
18	BE ABLE TO UTILIZE THAT INFORMATION MORE READILY,
19	MORE EFFICIENTLY, MORE EFFECTIVELY. WHEN WE WORK IN
20	THE PRIVATE SECTOR, WE TALK ABOUT THINGS LIKE
21	DIGITAL DASHBOARDS AND GIVING EXECUTIVE TEAMS READY
22	ACCESS TO KEY INFORMATION SORT OF AT A FINGERTIP OF
23	HOW ARE WE DOING, NOT JUST WHAT HAVE WE BEEN DOING,
24	DID WE DO WHAT WE SAY WE DO, WHAT ARE THE OUTCOMES
25	OF THOSE AND BEING ABLE TO LOOK AT THOSE KEY
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1	PERFORMANCE METRICS REAL-TIME ON AN ONGOING BASIS
2	AND THEN MAKING THAT INFORMATION A CORE ELEMENT OF
3	OUR TIME TO OUR STRATEGIC PLAN, COMMUNICATING TO OUR
4	VARIOUS AUDIENCES LIKE YOURSELVES, TO STAKEHOLDERS,
5	AND THAT THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MAKING THAT
6	INFORMATION MORE READILY ACCESSIBLE ON AN ONGOING
7	BASIS AND USING THAT IN DECISION MAKING ON AN
8	ONGOING BASIS.
9	THAT'S WHAT THE SECOND AREA TALKS ABOUT.
10	THAT TIES TO COMMUNICATION, TIES TO DECISION-MAKING,
11	TIES TO STAKEHOLDER REPORTING, THAT THERE'S AN
12	ABILITY THERE TO UP-LEVEL THAT A LITTLE BIT.
13	EFFICIENCY-EFFECTIVENESS. MUCH OF WHAT
14	I'M TALKING ABOUT REALLY IS ABOUT THAT, BUT THERE
15	ARE SOME KEY AREAS. RELATIVE TO FINANCE AND WORKING
16	WITH THE SCO AND DGS AND HAVING YOUR CORE FINANCIAL
17	INFORMATION SOMEWHERE ELSE CREATES ALL SORTS OF
18	CHALLENGES, EXTRA WORK, PARALLEL WORK THAT COULD
19	MAKE LIFE A LOT EASIER IF YOU HAD CLEAR AND DIRECT
20	ACCESS, THAT CIRM MADE SOME PROGRESS IN THAT REALM
21	OF BOTH, GETTING ACCESS TO THAT INFORMATION, BUT
22	THERE'S OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE STATE'S HELP TO BE
23	ABLE TO BE MORE EFFICIENT IN THAT REGARD.
24	REGARDING EFFECTIVENESS, ANOTHER TOPIC
25	THAT WAS DISCUSSED TODAY WAS BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT
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1	AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR. AND CIRM HAS UP-LEVELED ITS
2	ABILITY TO OPERATE IN THAT REALM. ONE OF OUR
3	RECOMMENDATIONS IS TO DEVELOP A SPECIFIC BUSINESS
4	DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THAT. GET EVERYONE ON THE SAME
5	PAGE, KNOW WHAT WE'RE STRIVING TOWARDS TO ACHIEVE
6	FIVE YEARS FROM TODAY.
7	HUMAN CAPITAL. ONE I MENTIONED. IN ITS
8	VERY UNIQUE ENVIRONMENT OF, I WOULD SAY, RAMPING UP
9	AND POTENTIALLY RAMPING DOWN, RETENTION OF KEY
10	EMPLOYEES IS A BIG ISSUE. THIS ORGANIZATION IS
11	BUILT AROUND ITS ABILITY TO MAKE DECISIONS AND
12	IMPLEMENT THESE GRANTS AND LOANS AND HAVE A VERY
13	HIGH CALIBER STAFF WITH A TENUOUS FUTURE. THAT'S A
14	CHALLENGE TO RETAIN THOSE FOLKS. THAT CONTINUES
15	IT'S GOING TO CONTINUE TO NEED TO BE A VERY
16	IMPORTANT FOCUS OF THE TRANSITION PLAN. CLEAR AND
17	TRANSPARENT COMMUNICATION WITH THE EMPLOYEES OF WHAT
18	IS HAPPENING SO THAT THEY CAN MAKE THEIR DECISIONS.
19	AND AT SOME POINT YOU MAY NEED TO UTILIZE SOME TOOLS
20	TO RETAIN EMPLOYEES LIKE THE PRIVATE SECTOR DOES
21	DEPENDING ON WHAT PATHWAY THE ORGANIZATION IS GOING
22	TO TAKE IN THE FUTURE.
23	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. WHAT I WOULD SAY
24	IS A COUPLE COMMENTS. THE ORGANIZATION IS
25	DEFINITELY ON THE RIGHT TRACK. THEY'VE MADE GREAT
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1	PROGRESS WITH THE GRANTS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
2	IMPLEMENTATION. SOME OF OUR FINDINGS AND
3	RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT SEEING THAT ALL THE WAY
4	THROUGH, MAKING SURE IT'S SEEN ALL THE WAY THROUGH
5	THE WAY IT'S ENVISIONED.
6	I WOULD SAY TECHNOLOGY HAS BEEN AN AREA OF
7	UNDERSPEND AT CIRM. THE ORGANIZATION,
8	UNDERSTANDABLY, HAS BEEN VERY FOCUSED ON THE SCIENCE
9	AND NOT WANTING TO DISTRACT OR DETRACT FROM THAT IN
10	TERMS OF INVESTING MONEY, BUT ACCESS TO ALL THIS
11	INFORMATION IS CRITICAL FOR PLANNING, FOR
12	DECISION-MAKING. AND I THINK THAT THE ORGANIZATION
13	IS CATCHING UP, BUT THAT'S ONE OF THOSE PLACES WHERE
14	THE RAMP-UP ON EFFECTIVENESS NOW CAN HAVE SOME HELP
15	ON THE EFFICIENCY SIDE WITH UTILIZING AUTOMATION AND
16	TOOLS TO FURTHER ENHANCE THEIR ABILITY TO CONDUCT
17	THEIR BUSINESS.
18	AND, FINALLY, OF COURSE, YOU CAN'T EVEN
19	READ WHAT'S ON THE SCREEN THERE BECAUSE IT'S TOO
20	SMALL. RELATIVE TO RECOMMENDATIONS, SO I'M JUST
21	GOING TO GIVE YOU SOME OVERVIEW COMMENTS AND THEN
22	ENTERTAIN QUESTIONS IF THERE ARE SPECIFIC
23	RECOMMENDATIONS YOU'D LIKE TO ASK ABOUT INSTEAD OF
24	GOING THROUGH THEM IN DETAIL BESIDES THE FACT THAT
25	WE DON'T HAVE TIME.
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1	SO WE GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS INTO THREE
2	TIERS. THE BASIS FOR THOSE TIERS WAS CONSIDERING
3	FACTORS LIKE IMPACT ON THE ORGANIZATION, COST TO
4	IMPLEMENTATION, LIFE SPAN OF THE ORGANIZATION. AND
5	THAT HELPED US TO, I'LL SAY, PRIORITIZE. WE USE THE
6	WORD "TIER" BECAUSE WE DIDN'T WANT ONE TO SEEM LESS
7	IMPORTANT THAN THE OTHER, BUT YOU ALWAYS END UP
8	PRIORITIZING IN A SITUATION LIKE THAT.
9	RECOMMENDATIONS FOCUS ON PROCESS AND
10	PROCEDURES, USE OF TECHNOLOGY, BUT COMMON THEMES
11	WOULD BE WHAT I WAS REFERRING TO. BEING ABLE TO
12	LEVERAGE AND UTILIZE KEY INFORMATION ABOUT THE
13	CHARTER, THE VISION, THE OBJECTIVES OF THE
14	ORGANIZATION, BEING ABLE TO COMMUNICATE THAT
15	EFFECTIVELY WITH THE VARIOUS AND SUNDRY AUDIENCES
16	THAT THE ORGANIZATION HAS. AND A LOT OF THESE YOU
17	WILL FIND HAVE LINKAGES TO THAT THEME.
18	I THINK WITH THAT, I WILL TURN IT OVER FOR
19	QUESTI ONS.
20	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: ARE THERE QUESTIONS?
21	MEMBER LIPSON: ANOTHER QUESTION, BUT NOT
22	FOR YOU. THANK YOU. JUST AGAIN WITH CONTRACTS WITH
23	INDUSTRY, IS IT 1 PERCENT OR ONE-TENTH OF A PERCENT
24	OF THE NET?
25	MR. HARRISON: IT'S ONE-TENTH OF 1 PERCENT
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1	FOR EACH \$1 MILLION OF CIRM FUNDING. IN OTHER
2	WORDS, IF YOU HAD A \$10 MILLION CIRM LOAN, IT WOULD
3	BE 1 PERCENT.
4	MR. STERANKA: IF YOU HAD 20 MILLION, IT
5	WOULD BE 2 PERCENT.
6	MR. HARRI SON: CORRECT.
7	MEMBER LIPSON: THAT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE.
8	SAY THAT AGAIN PLEASE.
9	MR. HARRISON: ONE-TENTH OF 1 PERCENT FOR
10	EACH \$1 MILLION OF CIRM FUNDING THAT THE GRANTEE
11	RECEI VES.
12	MEMBER LIPSON: OKAY. I UNDERSTAND. SO
13	IF THEY GET A TOTAL OF 10 MILLION, THEY GET 1
14	PERCENT BACK.
15	MR. HARRI SON: CORRECT.
16	MEMBER LIPSON: BUT IF THEY GET ONE
17	MILLION, THEY GET LIKE \$10,000 BACK.
18	MR. HARRISON: WELL, MOST OF THE AWARDS
19	THAT ARE BEING MADE FOR PROJECTS THAT WOULD LIKELY
20	RETURN REVENUES TO THE STATE ARE OF THE LARGER
21	SCALE. AND IF THERE ARE MULTIPLE AWARDS INVOLVED,
22	WHICH IS OFTEN THE CASE, AS DR. FEIGAL ILLUSTRATED
23	IN THE PIPELINE WHEN CIRM BEGINS FUNDING SOMETHING
24	AT THE BASIC BIOLOGY LEVEL, CARRIES IT THROUGH TO A
25	DISEASE TEAM ROUND, FOR EXAMPLE, THERE ARE OFTEN
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1	MULTIPLE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS INVOLVED.
2	MEMBER KOVACH: JUST AS AN EXAMPLE, IF,
3	SAY, WITH A COMPANY, THEY TOOK MONEY AND SAY IT WAS
4	A BLOCKBUSTER, A BILLION AND A HALF DOLLARS, THAT
5	WOULD BE ON A YEARLY, RIGHT, SO OVER THE 500 MILLION
6	IS NOT CAPPED. SO OF THAT ON A PER-YEAR BASIS,
7	THAT'D BE \$10 MILLION A YEAR. PATENT LIFE IS 15
8	YEARS OR SO. IT'S 20 YEARS FROM THE DATE OF FILING,
9	SO YOU HAVE EXTENSIONS FOR DRUGS AND THINGS LIKE.
10	SO JUST SAY 15 YEARS, \$150 MILLION FOR ONE
11	BLOCKBUSTER. SO TO ME THAT'S A VERY REASONABLE
12	PAYBACK. I HOPE YOU GET IT.
13	MEMBER LIPSON: THE OTHER POINT, THOUGH,
14	IT'S OF THE NET, NOT OF THE GROSS.
15	MEMBER KOVACH: NET SALES IS BASICALLY
16	LESS DISCOUNTS, LESS RETURNS. THERE'S I'M SURE
17	YOU ARE USING THE VERY STANDARD DEFINITION THAT IS
18	USED IN BIOTECHNOLOGY. SO IT'S A VERY, VERY HIGH
19	FRACTION OF GROSS SALES JUST DISCOUNTING FOR KIND OF
20	DISCOUNTS AND RETURNS ESSENTIALLY.
21	MR. HARRISON: THAT'S RIGHT. WE USE AN
22	INDUSTRY STANDARD DEFINITION FOR NET COMMERCIAL
23	REVENUE.
24	MEMBER KOVACH: I HAD A QUESTION. THIS
25	WORK YOU DID LOOKS VERY COMPREHENSIVE AND VERY

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1	HELPFUL. I JUST HAVE A QUESTION RELATED TO WHAT
2	HAPPENS NOW. AND LET'S JUST TAKE AN EXAMPLE OF,
3	SAY, A TIER II RECOMMENDATION. AND I WAS GOING
4	TO LET'S JUST SAY 7A, DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE
5	I.T. PLAN TO GUIDE INFORMATION SYSTEM DECISIONS AND
6	DESIGNATE SOMEONE TO PROVIDE ONGOING L.T. DIRECTION
7	FOR THE INSTITUTE. SO HERE IS AN AREA THAT, BECAUSE
8	OF THE DIVERSITY OF PROGRAMS, ONE WOULD BELIEVE IS A
9	VERY DYNAMIC, DIFFICULT AREA TO KIND OF DESIGN THE
10	PERFECT I.T. SYSTEM. SO I THINK AT A GENERAL LEVEL,
11	I UNDERSTAND THE ISSUE.
12	BUT SPECIFICALLY, WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP IN
13	TERMS OF YOUR ADVICE TO GIVE TO CIRM TO ACTUALLY
14	KIND OF GET MORE CONCRETE ABOUT THINGS THEY MIGHT
15	TRY? THAT WOULD BE VERY INTERESTING TO ME TO KNOW.
16	MR. STERANKA: WHAT I WOULD SUGGEST, IF
17	YOU HOLD THAT QUESTION, I BELIEVE CIRM IS GOING TO
18	GIVE A PRESENTATION ON WHERE THEY ARE RELATIVE TO
19	IMPLEMENTING EACH RECOMMENDATION. SO MAYBE IF WE
20	SEE IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FOR ME, THEN I
21	WILL TURN IT OVER TO CIRM, AND I THINK THEY'LL BE
22	ABLE TO DO A BETTER JOB THEY'LL BE ABLE TO DO A
23	JOB OF ANSWERING THAT BECAUSE I CAN'T TELL YOU WHAT
24	THEY' VE DONE.
25	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: I WAS GOING TO POSE A
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1	QUESTION ON THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM, BUT YOU'RE GOING
2	TO RESPOND TO WHAT YOU'RE DOING.
3	DR. FEIGAL: WE ACTUALLY HAVE A
4	PRESENTATION, AND YOU HAVE THE DECK. MAYBE WE COULD
5	HAVE ALEX GIVE THAT PRESENTATION, AND THEN WE CAN
6	ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT YOU HAVE.
7	MR. STERANKA: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FOR ME?
8	NOW IS YOUR CHANCE.
9	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: I THINK YOU SET IT UP.
10	THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
11	MR. STERANKA: THANK YOU. MY PLEASURE.
12	YOU' RE A GOOD AUDI ENCE.
13	MS. CAMPE: THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MARK,
14	FOR PRESENTING THE REVIEW YOU DID LAST YEAR. MY
15	NAME IS ALEXANDRA. AND I'M GOING TO WALK YOU
16	THROUGH THE 24 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE RECEIVED FROM
17	MOSS-ADAMS. AS MARK MENTIONED, TIER I'S WERE THE
18	ONES THAT WERE CONSIDERED HIGHER PRIORITY. I'M
19	GOING TO FOCUS A LITTLE BIT MORE ON THOSE, AND THEN
20	I WILL MOVE THROUGH TIER II AND III. IF YOU HAVE
21	QUESTIONS, FEEL FREE TO ASK ALONG THE WAY.
22	SO THE FIRST SLIDE IS PRETTY MUCH
23	REITERATING WHAT MARK HAS ALREADY SAID. OF COURSE,
24	OUR GOAL AND THESE GOALS HAVE BEEN TO ACHIEVE
25	EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS AND ECONOMY, AND THAT'S
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1	VERY MUCH WHAT WE'VE HAD IN MIND THROUGHOUT THE
2	PROCESS OF REVIEWING AND WORKING ON ALL OF THESE
3	RECOMMENDATIONS.
4	OUR GOAL AT CIRM IS TO ACTUALLY COMPLETE
5	ALL THESE RECOMMENDATIONS BY JUNE 30TH OF THIS YEAR.
6	CURRENTLY WE HAVE COMPLETED 13 OF THE 24. AND I'M
7	GOING TO START WITH TIER I, AS I MENTIONED, WHICH
8	ARE THE MOST PRESSING NEEDS. AND THIS HAS ALREADY
9	BEEN BROUGHT UP. IT'S THE GRANTS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.
10	WE CALL IT THE GMS. IT'S AN IP MODULE THAT ACTUALLY
11	WAS ROLLED OUT IN OCTOBER OF 2012. IT ADDRESSED TWO
12	RECOMMENDATIONS THAT MOSS-ADAMS HAD. ONE WAS
13	RELATED TO REQUIRING INVENTION DISCLOSURE FORMS AND
14	INVENTION UTILIZATION REPORTS. THIS WAS ACTUALLY
15	COMING FROM THE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER OFFICES.
16	WHAT WE WERE FINDING IS THAT WE WEREN'T
17	GETTING ALL THE INFORMATION WE NEEDED, AND WE FOUND
18	THAT ROLLING THIS PART OF THE MODULE OUT DIRECTLY TO
19	THE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER OFFICES ALLOWED US TO GET
20	MORE ACCURATE INFORMATION FROM THEM. AND SO THIS
21	HELPED US ADDRESS THE FIRST ISSUE OR RECOMMENDATION
22	THAT THEY HAD. AND WE HAVE ROLLED THAT OUT, AS I
23	MENTI ONED.
24	THE OTHER ONE WAS REGARDING INCLUDING
25	SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ABOUT COMMERCIALIZATION ACTIVITY.
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1	WE HAVE THREE SEPARATE FIELDS NOW IN OUR IP MODULE
2	THAT OUR GRANTEES ACTUALLY HAVE TO SPECIFICALLY
3	ADDRESS THE QUESTIONS AROUND COMMERCIALIZATION SO
4	THAT WE'RE ENSURED THAT WE'RE NOW GETTING THE
5	INFORMATION THAT WE NEED IN THOSE TWO SPECIFIC
6	AREAS. AS I SAID, THIS HAS BEEN ROLLED OUT, AND WE
7	ARE GATHERING INFORMATION AS THE REPORTS COME IN.
8	ANOTHER TIER I IS DEVELOPING A
9	COMMUNICATIONS PLAN. THIS WAS COMPLETED THIS MONTH.
10	IT DID SET PRIORITIES, AS MOSS-ADAMS HAD
11	RECOMMENDED, TO PROVIDE BETTER USE OF STAFF
12	RESOURCES, TO FOCUS STRONGER, MORE DIRECT TIES TO
13	THE COMMUNITY.
14	WE ALSO DESIGNED THE ANNUAL REPORT TO
15	ADDRESS COST AND VIEWER AND READER ACCESSIBILITY,
16	READABILITY. AND WE'RE VERY HAPPY WITH THE NEW
17	PAMPHLET THAT WE HAVE ROLLED OUT.
18	AS I MENTIONED, THIS PLAN DOES ADDRESS
19	MORE ATTENTION TO TRADITIONAL MEDIA. SOCIAL MEDIA,
20	AS YOU KNOW, HAS GROWN SIGNIFICANTLY. PUBLIC EVENTS
21	LIKE PATIENT ADVOCACY GROUPS, WHICH WE'VE NOW
22	BROUGHT IN HOUSE BECAUSE WE HAVE A NEW
23	COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER THAT'S IN HOUSE. WE'RE
24	ATTENDING MORE HEALTH FAIRS. AND, AGAIN, WE'VE
25	ADDRESSED THE ANNUAL REPORT. AND, OF COURSE, WE'LL
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CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE ANNUAL REPORT, BUT WE MADE
GREAT STRIDES LAST YEAR.
ANOTHER TIER I ITEM IS THE MANDATORY GRANT
OUTCOME CLOSEOUT SURVEY. THIS WAS SOMETHING THAT
WAS RELATIVELY EASY TO IMPLEMENT. THIS WAS
SOMETHING THAT WAS AN OPTIONAL THING FOR OUR
GRANTEES TO COMPLETE. WE'VE WORKED WITH THE OFFICE
OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW, AND THEY'VE APPROVED CHANGE
TO OUR GRANTS ADMINISTRATION POLICY TO REQUIRE THE
GRANT OUTCOME SURVEYS. NOW THAT HAS BEEN
IMPLEMENTED SINCE LAST NOVEMBER, AND ALL GRANTEES
ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THAT SO THAT WE CAN GET THE
NECESSARY DATA FROM OUR GRANTEES.
THE ADDITIONAL ONE IS A GRANTS MANAGEMENT
SYSTEM. THIS HAS BEEN BROUGHT UP ALREADY AS WELL.
THIS GRANTS MANAGEMENT PLAN WAS TO INCORPORATE
MILESTONES AND REQUIREMENTS AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT
SOFTWARE WHICH WE USE IS MINGLE. PART OF THIS
RECOMMENDATION WAS WORKING WITH OUR GRANTS REVIEW
AND OUR GRANTS MANAGEMENT TEAM TO ENSURE THAT WE
WERE INCORPORATING INFORMATION TOGETHER AND WORKING
WELL TOGETHER. SO THAT'S ACTUALLY BEEN ROLLED OUT.
THE OVERSIGHT OF THE MILESTONES IS
CONTINUING. OUR I.T. DIRECTOR THAT WAS HIRED LAST
YEAR, HE WORKS VERY CLOSELY WITH BOTH GRANTS
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1	MANAGEMENT AND GRANTS REVIEW. HE HOLDS WEEKLY
2	MEETINGS TO ENSURE THAT EVERYONE IS ON THE SAME PAGE
3	AND ADJUSTS THINGS AS NEEDED. THEY REALLY ARE VERY
4	MUCH INTO ALSO ASSESSING THE INTERNAL FINANCIAL
5	ASSESSMENT OF WHAT'S BEEN DONE AND THE I.T. BUDGET
6	AS WELL AS PROJECTS TO ENSURE THAT EVERYTHING IS IN
7	LINE, ALIGNED.
8	AN ADDITIONAL TIER I IS A BOND FORECASTING
9	PROCEDURE. J.T. CAN CERTAINLY COMMENT FURTHER, IF
10	NECESSARY, ON THIS. ONE OF THE EFFICIENCIES THAT'S
11	BEEN EVOLVED HERE IS CREATING ONE SINGLE REFERENCE
12	FILE THAT'S NOW ON OUR D DRIVE. AND THIS IS
13	SOMETHING THAT'S BEING USED BY OUR BOND FINANCE UNIT
14	AND OUR SCIENCE OFFICE TO ENSURE THAT THE NUMBERS
15	ARE ALL USED IN ONE LOCAL SPREADSHEET AND ONLY
16	CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS GIVEN ACCESS TO IT TO ENSURE
17	THAT OUR BOND FORECASTING AND OUR REPORTING IS
18	CONSISTENT AND ACCURATE AND THAT WE'RE ALLOWING THE
19	RIGHT INDIVIDUALS TO HAVE ACCESS TO IT AND WE'RE
20	BEING AS EFFICIENT AS POSSIBLE WITH THAT
21	I NFORMATI ON.
22	AN ADDITIONAL ONE IS A CENTRAL LOCATION
23	FOR PROCUREMENT. THIS WAS AN ITEM WHERE A
24	SITUATION WHERE A CONTRACT THAT WE HAD, THERE WAS A
25	FILE THAT WASN'T ACTUALLY RECEIVED OR HADN'T BEEN
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1	RECEIVED BY THE CONTRACTS ADMINISTRATOR. WE'VE NOW
2	ENSURED THAT WILL NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN. OUR CONTRACTS
3	ADMINISTRATOR HAS A CHECK-OFF LIST, AND NOW GOING
4	FORWARD ANY DOCUMENT THAT IS NEEDED FOR ANY CONTRACT
5	IS ENSURED AND REQUIRED TO BE RETAINED BY THE
6	CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR.
7	SO THERE ARE A COUPLE TIER II AND TIER
8	III'S. QUICKLY, THERE'S A STATE CONTROL ACCESS
9	SYSTEM THAT WE HAVE LIMITED ACCESS TO. THERE'S A
10	BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PLAN THAT WAS PUT INTO PLACE.
11	I'LL MOVE THROUGH THESE. THERE'S A WEB
12	SITE PLAN THAT WE JUST ROLLED OUT AND WE'RE VERY
13	EXCITED ABOUT THAT DOES INCORPORATE INFORMATION FROM
14	THE GRANTS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM TO ENSURE THAT WE'RE
15	GETTING PROPER REPORTING AND IS MUCH MORE AUTOMATED
16	NOW. AND WE'RE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THAT, AND THAT'S
17	REDUCING SOME STAFF TIME ON INPUTTING INFORMATION.
18	AND THEN, ALSO, THERE WAS A FORMAL
19	ONBOARDING PROGRAM THAT I WAS INVOLVED IN WITH
20	REGARDS TO ENSURING THAT NEW EMPLOYEES ARE
21	ACCLIMATED AND ASSIMILATED INTO THE OFFICE AS
22	QUICKLY AND EFFECTIVELY AS POSSIBLE.
23	SO TIER III, A COUPLE TIER III'S WERE A
24	BOARD CODE OF CONDUCT THAT'S ALREADY BEEN
25	IMPLEMENTED, AND CHECKING ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST
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1	REDUNDANCIES HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED AS WELL.
2	SO THE TIER I ISSUES THAT ARE ACTUALLY IN
3	PROCESS STILL, WE HAVE 11 TOTAL THAT ARE STILL IN
4	PROCESS. THE ONES THAT ARE TIER I ARE THE DIGITAL
5	DASHBOARD. THIS WAS BROUGHT UP EARLIER. WE
6	RECOGNIZE HOW IMPORTANT THIS IS. AND OUR GRANTS
7	MANAGEMENT SYSTEM NOW CONTAINS DATA THAT IS RELATED
8	TO THE SCIENTIFIC DISEASE AND OUTCOME CODING THAT WE
9	NEED. THEY JUST COMPLETED THAT. RIGHT NOW WE'RE AT
10	THE STAGE WHERE WE'RE GOING TO BE WORKING WITH J.T.
11	AND ELLEN AND ALAN AND OTHERS TO ASSESS AND HELP US
12	FIGURE OUT WHAT KIND OF REPORTING THEY WANT AND WHAT
13	KIND OF DATA WILL BE NECESSARY SO THAT WE CAN GET
14	THAT CRITICAL REPORTING TO THE NECESSARY
15	STAKEHOLDERS WITHIN THE ORGANIZATION AND OUTSIDE THE
16	ORGANIZATION, SUCH AS DATA LIKE THE BREAKDOWN OF
17	GRANTS THAT WE HAVE, THE CURRENT NUMBER OF
18	COLLABORATI VE FUNDI NG PARTNERS, ETC.
19	ANOTHER TIER I IN PROCESS IS THE DOCUMENT
20	MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE'RE
21	WORKING ON. WE'RE ACTUALLY IN CONTRACT TO PURCHASE
22	A DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FROM AN EXTERNAL
23	ORGANIZATION TO HELP US BE MORE EFFICIENT WITH THE
24	DOCUMENTS THAT WE HAVE.
25	TIER I, WE'RE NOW AT HR FORECASTING MODEL.
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1	WE'RE ACTUALLY WORKING CLOSELY WITH AN OUTSIDE
2	CONSULTING COMPANY TO HELP US CREATE A PROJECT
3	STAFFING MODELING-TYPE THING. AND THIS RELATES ALSO
4	TO OUR SUSTAINABILITY PROJECTS, ON TRANSITION PLANS
5	TO HELP THEM ASSESS WHAT TYPE OF WORKLOAD WE HAVE,
6	WHAT TYPE OF RFA SCHEDULES AND APPLICATION APPROVALS
7	AND PACK THE WORKLOAD AND, THEREFORE, THE NUMBER OF
8	SCIENTIFIC OFFICERS WE NEED TO HAVE.
9	THIS PROJECT IMPACTS A LOT OF DIFFERENT
10	THINGS AND OTHER TIER I ISSUES THAT WE'RE STILL IN
11	PROCESS WITH AS WELL BECAUSE IT IS ADDRESSING
12	EFFICIENCIES AND SUCH. SO WE'RE VERY EXCITED ABOUT
13	THIS PROJECT, AND WE CONTINUE TO WORK ON THIS.
14	MONITORING THE USE OF THE 6 PERCENT.
15	WE'VE ALREADY TALKED ABOUT THIS. THIS IS ONGOING
16	AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE, AND WE REALIZE HOW
17	INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT IT IS.
18	ANOTHER TIER I IS ACCELERATING PROGRESS
19	REPORT REVIEW. THIS IS OBVIOUSLY A WORKLOAD ISSUE
20	IN THE SCIENCE OFFICE, AND IT'S AN IMPORTANT ONE.
21	THERE'S BEEN THINGS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN ADDRESSED
22	REGARDING THAT, INCLUDING IMPLEMENTING ONLINE
23	PROGRESS REPORTS, REVIEW CHECKLISTS. WE'VE ADDED
24	SCIENTIFIC STAFF TO ADDRESS THE WORKLOAD, AND WE
25	CONTINUE TO REDIRECT STAFF ACTIVITIES WHERE
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1	NECESSARY. AGAIN, THE FORECASTING MODEL WILL HELP
2	US ADDRESS THIS ISSUE AS WELL AS TIME GOES ON.
3	FINANCE WORKFLOW DATABASE, THIS IS A TIER
4	II ISSUE. WE'RE WORKING ON THIS. WE'RE GOING TO
5	PURCHASE ONE TO HELP CHILA.
6	AND OFFICE OF THE CHAIR, OFFICE OF THE
7	PRESIDENT IN COOPERATION, THEY'RE CONTINUING TO WORK
8	WELL TOGETHER ON POLICY ISSUES AND SUCH.
9	STREAMLINING STANDING MEETINGS IS SOMETHING WE ARE
10	GOING TO ADDRESS, AS I SPEAK.
11	SCIENCE OFFICE PRIORITIZATION, AGAIN, THIS
12	RELATES TO THE HR PLANNING MODEL THAT WE WILL WORK
13	ON. I.T. PLAN, THIS IS IN PROCESS. THIS HAS BEEN
14	BROUGHT UP JUST RECENTLY. WE WILL TAKE CERTAINLY
15	ANY ADVICE WE CAN FROM MOSS-ADAMS IF THEY HAVE IT
16	WHILE WE START ACTIVELY WORKING ON THIS. THIS IS AN
17	IMPORTANT THING. WE CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND THAT IT
18	NEEDS TO BE COMPREHENSIVE. IT NEEDS TO ADDRESS
19	ESTABLISHMENT OF A CLEAR VISION FOR US FROM AN I.T.
20	POINT OF VIEW AND ENSURING THAT IT'S CONSISTENT WITH
21	OUR GOALS AND ALIGNMENT WITH OUR PROJECTS AND SUCH.
22	SO IF ANYBODY HAD ANY SUGGESTIONS, WE'RE
23	CERTAINLY OPEN TO IDEAS THERE, BUT WE WILL BE
24	WORKING ON THAT VERY SOON.
25	AND THEN THE LAST ONE REITERATES WHAT WE
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1	TALKED ABOUT AS WELL, WHICH IS ADDRESSING
2	RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION IN THE TRANSITION PLAN.
3	WE ALL KNOW THAT THIS IS A UNIQUE SITUATION. WE
4	RAMPED UP. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO RAMP DOWN. WE'VE
5	GOT TO DEAL WITH RETAINING VERY KEY PEOPLE, AND
6	WE'RE LOOKING AT WAYS IN WHICH WE CAN FIND UNIQUE
7	POLICIES TO ADDRESS THOSE TYPES OF THINGS.
8	THAT ACTUALLY ENDS MY OVERVIEW OF WHERE WE
9	ARE AT WITH REGARDS TO THE 24 RECOMMENDATIONS. I'M
10	HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.
11	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?
12	OKAY. THEN WE'LL GO ON AND INVITE PROFESSOR
13	EISENBERG WHO SERVED ON THE IOM CIRM REVIEW
14	COMMITTEE AND WILL BE JOINING US BY PHONE.
15	PROFESSOR EI SENBERG: HELLO. THANK YOU
16	VERY MUCH. CAN YOU ALL HEAR ME?
17	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: YES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
18	PATI ENCE.
19	PROFESSOR EISENBERG: OKAY. I AM, AS I
20	WAS INTRODUCED, I'M A PROFESSOR OF LAW AT THE
21	UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LAW SCHOOL. AND I RECENTLY
22	HAD THE HONOR OF SERVING AS A MEMBER OF THE IOM
23	COMMITTEE ON A REVIEW OF THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE
24	FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE. SO I'M VERY PLEASED TO
25	HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO THIS GROUP ABOUT
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1	THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE REPORT OF THAT COMMITTEE.
2	I WANT TO PREFACE MY REMARKS BY REMINDING
3	YOU THAT I AM, OF COURSE, ONLY ONE MEMBER OF THAT
4	13-MEMBER COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE IS NOW
5	DISBANDED, BUT THE VIEWS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
6	COMMITTEE ARE THOSE SET FORTH IN THE REPORT ITSELF.
7	AND THAT BEYOND THAT, I CAN ONLY SPEAK FOR MYSELF.
8	SO THE REPORT, THEN THE RECOMMENDATIONS REPRESENT
9	THE FINAL STATEMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON OUR VIEWS
10	AS A COMMITTEE.
11	WE WERE GIVEN A VERY SPECIFIC CHARGE TO
12	ADDRESS A SERIES OF QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE
13	INITIAL PROCESSES THAT CREATED CIRM, CIRM'S
14	PROGRAMMATIC AND SCIENTIFIC SCOPE, CIRM'S
15	ORGANIZATIONAL AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, CIRM'S FUNDING
16	MODEL, AND CIRM'S INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY POLICIES.
17	AND OUR REPORT SPEAKS TO EACH OF THOSE THINGS.
18	MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THIS GROUP IS
19	PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE COMMITTEE'S
20	EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAINING TO
21	GOVERNANCE OF CIRM AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST ISSUES.
22	AND SO I HAVE PREPARED BRIEF REMARKS THAT ARE
23	FOCUSED SPECIFICALLY ON THAT.
24	OUR STATEMENT OF TASK ASKED US
25	SPECIFICALLY ARE THE INTERNAL ORGANIZATIONAL AND
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1	MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, IN PARTICULAR THE BOARD AND
2	WORKING GROUP STRUCTURES AND OPERATIONS, THE PEER
3	REVIEW SYSTEM, THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST GUIDELINES,
4	AND THE GRANTS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, EFFECTIVE IN
5	WORKING TOWARDS THE INSTITUTE'S SCIENTIFIC GOALS?
6	ARE THE SYSTEMS THAT ARE IN PLACE SCIENTIFICALLY AND
7	ETHICALLY VALID AND RIGOROUS? AND DO THEY ACHIEVE
8	THE LEVEL OF TRANSPARENCY AND THE LEVEL OF
9	STAKEHOLDER AND SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
10	NEEDED TO MEET THE INSTITUTE'S PUBLIC
11	RESPONSIBILITIES AND SCIENTIFIC GOALS?
12	I HEARD ONE OF THE EARLIER SPEAKERS IN
13	THIS MEETING MENTION THAT CIRM HAS BEEN MUCH
14	STUDIED. WE WERE NOT THE FIRST GROUP ASKED TO
15	REVIEW THE CIRM GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE. SO WE HAVE
16	THE BENEFIT OF SOME PRIOR REPORTS FROM AN EXTERNAL
17	ADVISORY PANEL, FROM THE LITTLE HOOVER COMMISSION,
18	AND TOWARDS THE END OF OUR WORK THE MORE RECENT
19	AUDIT BY MOSS-ADAMS AVAILABLE TO US.
20	WE ALSO BENEFITED FROM THE FULL
21	COOPERATION OF CIRM STAFF IN RESPONDING TO MANY,
22	MANY REQUESTS FOR DATA, REPORTS, ANALYSES, ACCESS TO
23	PEOPLE, AND THEY WERE QUITE FORTHCOMING AND HELPFUL.
24	OUR INVESTIGATION WAS SOMEWHAT LIMITED BY
25	THE CAPACITIES OF AN IOM COMMITTEE. WE HELD THREE
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1	PUBLIC MEETINGS. WE INVITED SPEAKERS. WE HELD OPEN
2	FORUMS AT WHICH MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WERE FREE TO
3	STEP FORWARD AND TAKE THE MIKE. WE CONDUCTED SOME
4	SITE VISITS AND SOME INTERVIEWS. WE CIRCULATED
5	QUESTIONNAIRES. WE STUDIED FURTHER INFORMATION FROM
6	THE FILES OF CIRM THAT I MENTIONED EARLIER. WE
7	STUDIED VERY CLOSELY THE TEXT OF PROPOSITION 71 AND
8	SB 1064, BUT WE DID NOT FEEL CONSTRAINED IN OUR
9	DELIBERATIONS AND OUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO LIMIT
10	OURSELVES TO THE CONFINES OF PROP 71 AND SB 1064.
11	WE UNDERSTOOD OUR CHARGE AND THE VALUE
12	ADDED THAT WE COULD APPLY AS YET ANOTHER REVIEWING
13	GROUP AS CALLING FOR STEPPING OUTSIDE OF THE
14	STRICTURES OF CURRENT LAW AND CONSIDERING HOW CIRM'S
15	GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE MIGHT BE IMPROVED EVEN WHILE
16	RECOGNIZING IN SOME CASES THAT THE CHANGES THAT WE
17	WERE CONSIDERING WOULD REQUIRE COOPERATION FROM THE
18	LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR TO BRING ABOUT CERTAIN
19	DEPARTURES FROM THE INITIAL GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE PUT
20	IN PLACE BY PROP 71.
21	AND AS WE DESCRIBE IN OUR REPORT,
22	PROPOSITION 71 CREATED A SOMEWHAT UNUSUAL GOVERNANCE
23	STRUCTURE FOR CIRM AND LOCKED THAT AT LEAST
24	INITIALLY. THE STRUCTURE COULD NOT MODIFIED FOR A
25	INITIAL PERIOD OF YEARS THAT HAS NOW PASSED. SO AT
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1	THIS POINT CHANGES CAN BE MADE WITH THE COOPERATION
2	OF THE LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR. AND, IN FACT,
3	SOME CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE IN SB 1064.
4	THE STRUCTURE THAT WAS PUT IN PLACE BY
5	PROPOSITION 71 VESTS CONSIDERABLE AUTHORITY IN THE
6	29-MEMBER INDEPENDENT CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
7	OR ICOC. AND THE DUTIES ASSIGNED TO THE ICOC GO
8	BEYOND THE USUAL DUTIES OF A BOARD CHARGED WITH
9	OVERSIGHT OF AN ORGANIZATION. THE ICOC IS ALSO
10	CHARGED WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATIONAL TASKS
11	THAT IN MANY ORGANIZATIONS WOULD BE PERFORMED BY
12	STAFF REPORTING TO MANAGEMENT.
13	PROPOSITION 71 FURTHER CALLS FOR THE
14	CREATION OF THREE LARGE WORKING GROUPS, LARGE
15	RELATIVE BOTH TO THE SIZE OF THE ICOC AND RELATIVE
16	TO THE SIZE OF THE CIRM STAFF ORGANIZATION. THESE
17	WORKING GROUPS REPORT DIRECTLY TO THE ICOC AND
18	INCLUDE ICOC MEMBERS AS WELL AS OUTSIDE MEMBERS.
19	AND THEY HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDING THINGS LIKE
20	GRANT REVIEW.
21	PROPOSITION 71 ALSO HAS DETAILED
22	SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE COMPOSITION OF THE ICOC,
23	ALLOCATING MEMBERSHIP TO REPRESENTATIVES OF VARIOUS
24	INSTITUTIONS THAT HAVE A STAKE IN THE WORK OF CIRM,
25	INCLUDING THE UNIVERSITIES THAT RECEIVE THE FUNDING
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AND THE PATIENT ADVOCACY GROUPS THAT HOPE TO BENEFIT
FROM THE WORK THAT CIRM IS FUNDING.
NOW, IN THE VIEW OF THE COMMITTEE, WE
THOUGHT GOOD POINTS AND BAD POINTS TO THESE
STRUCTURAL FEATURES PUT IN PLACE BY PROP 71. ON THE
POSITIVE SIDE, THESE FEATURES, INCLUDING ASSIGNING
OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE BOARD AND
FILLING THE BOARD I USE THE BOARD HERE TO MEAN
THE ICOC AND FILLING THE BOARD WITH
REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE A
PALPABLE STAKE IN CIRM AND HOW IT SPENDS ITS MONEY,
THERE ARE REAL BENEFITS TO A STRUCTURE LIKE THAT IN
THE START-UP PHASE OF AN ORGANIZATION LIKE CIRM
GIVEN ITS ASPIRATIONS AND TIMELINES.
THIS STRUCTURE BROUGHT HIGHLY MOTIVATED
AND WELL-INFORMED INDIVIDUALS TO THE TABLE WHO WERE
READY TO DEVOTE THEMSELVES TO THE MISSION OF CIRM
AND WHO WERE EXTRAORDINARILY SUCCESSFUL IN GETTING
THINGS OFF THE GROUND. AND THE COMMITTEE FELT THAT
THIS IS AN IMPORTANT REASON WHY CIRM WAS ABLE TO
ACCOMPLISH AS MUCH AS IT HAS DONE IN ITS EARLY
YEARS, WHICH IS TRULY IMPRESSIVE.
BUT THE COMMITTEE ALSO THOUGHT THAT AS
CIRM HAS BECOME A MORE MATURE ORGANIZATION, THE SAME
ORGANIZATIONAL FEATURES HAVE SOME DRAWBACKS WHICH
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1	MAY BE WHY THEY ARE SO UNUSUAL. WE THOUGHT THAT AT
2	THIS POINT IN ITS EXISTENCE CIRM AND THE PEOPLE OF
3	CALIFORNIA WOULD BE BETTER SERVED BY A MORE
4	INDEPENDENT BOARD THAT EXERCISES OVERSIGHT OVER
5	MANAGEMENT RATHER THAN SHARING MANAGERIAL
6	RESPONSIBILITY IN A DAY-TO-DAY SENSE. A BOARD THAT
7	IS DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN MANAGEMENT OF THE OPERATIONS
8	OF AN ORGANIZATION CANNOT PROVIDE INDEPENDENT
9	OVERSIGHT OF THAT ORGANIZATION. AND THE COMMITTEE
10	THOUGHT THAT INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT IS PARTICULARLY
11	IMPORTANT FOR A PUBLIC INSTITUTION THAT IS SPENDING
12	MONEY THAT THE TAXPAYERS WILL HAVE TO REPAY IN THE
13	FUTURE. SO WE, THEREFORE, RECOMMENDED THAT CIRM
14	SEPARATE OPERATIONS FROM OVERSIGHT MORE SHARPLY THAN
15	IS CURRENTLY PROVIDED WITH THE CIRM MANAGEMENT AND
16	STAFF FOCUSING ON OPERATIONS AND THE ICOC FOCUSING
17	ON OVERSIGHT.
18	AND WE ELABORATE ON THIS IN OUR REPORT,
19	BUT SPECIFICALLY OUR RECOMMENDATION IS THAT, AND I'M
20	READING HERE FROM RECOMMENDATION 3-1 IN THE REPORT.
21	OUR RECOMMENDATION IS THAT THE BOARD SHOULD FOCUS ON
22	STRATEGIC PLANNING, OVERSEE FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
23	AND LEGAL COMPLIANCE, ASSESS THE PERFORMANCE OF THE
24	PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD, AND DEVELOP A PLAN FOR
25	TRANSITIONING CIRM TO SUSTAINABILITY. THE BOARD
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1	SHOULD OVERSEE SENIOR MANAGEMENT, BUT SHOULD NOT BE
2	INVOLVED IN DAY-TO-DAY MANAGEMENT. THE CHAIR AND
3	THE BOARD SHOULD DELEGATE DAY-TO-DAY MANAGEMENT
4	RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE PRESIDENT. EACH OF THE
5	THREE WORKING GROUPS SHOULD REPORT TO MANAGEMENT
6	RATHER THAN TO THE ICOC. THAT WAS OUR FIRST
7	RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING MANAGEMENT, CONCERNING
8	GOVERNANCE, WHICH IS TO SEPARATE OVERSIGHT FROM
9	MANAGEMENT WHILE THE CURRENT STRUCTURE BLURS THOSE
10	BOUNDARI ES.
11	THE COMMITTEE ALSO THOUGHT THAT THE
12	CURRENT ICOC COMPOSITION HAS TOO GREAT A
13	PREPONDERANCE OF INDIVIDUALS WITH A DIRECT STAKE IN
14	THE PROCESSES AND OUTCOMES OF CIRM'S ACTIVITIES
15	ARISING FROM THEIR AFFILIATIONS OUTSIDE OF CIRM. SO
16	THIS COMPOSITION COMPROMISES THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE
17	BOARD IN ANOTHER SENSE, NOT INDEPENDENCE FROM
18	MANAGEMENT, BUT INDEPENDENCE IN THE SENSE OF A BIAS.
19	THE COMPOSITION OF SO MANY INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS ON
20	THE BOARD INTRODUCES BLAS TO THE BOARD'S DECISIONS,
21	THAT IT COMPROMISES ITS STEWARDSHIP OVER CIRM AS A
22	PUBLIC INSTITUTION.
23	SO WE PROPOSE THAT THIS SHOULD BE CHANGED
24	SO THAT A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD MEMBERS SHOULD BE
25	INDEPENDENT IN THE SENSE OF HAVING NO DIRECT
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1	PERSONAL OR PROFESSIONAL OR INSTITUTIONAL INTEREST
2	THAT MIGHT COMPETE OR CONFLICT WITH THE INTEREST OF
3	CIRM AND THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA IN WAYS THAT
4	EITHER BIAS THEIR DECISIONS OR MIGHT APPEAR TO BIAS
5	THEIR DECISIONS.
6	WE WERE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE
7	WAY THAT PROPOSITION 71 ALLOCATES SEATS ON THE BOARD
8	TO PEOPLE FROM PARTICULAR INSTITUTIONS, SUCH AS
9	UNIVERSITIES THAT ARE BENEFICIARIES OF CIRM FUNDING.
10	WE ALSO THOUGHT THAT, AT THIS STAGE IN THE
11	DEVELOPMENT OF STEM CELL RESEARCH, THE ICOC COULD
12	BENEFIT FROM MORE INDUSTRY REPRESENTATION.
13	FINALLY, CONSISTENT WITH OUR GOAL OF
14	SEPARATING OPERATIONS FROM OVERSIGHT, WE THOUGHT
15	THAT THE CURRENT WORKING GROUPS SHOULD REPORT TO
16	CIRM MANAGEMENT RATHER THAN TO THE ICOC AND THAT THE
17	MEMBERSHIP OF THE WORKING GROUPS SHOULD NOT INCLUDE
18	I COC MEMBERS.
19	SO THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE SET FORTH IN
20	OUR RECOMMENDATION 3-2. AND I THOUGHT I HAD THE
21	TEXT OF THAT IN FRONT OF ME, BUT I AM NOW NEEDING TO
22	BRIEFLY FIND THAT. 3-2, CIRM SHOULD PUT SYSTEMS IN
23	PLACE TO RESTRUCTURE THE BOARD TO HAVE A MAJORITY OF
24	INDEPENDENT MEMBERS WITHOUT INCREASING THE SIZE OF
25	THE BOARD. IT SHOULD INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
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1	DIVERSE CONSTITUENCIES WITH INTEREST IN STEM CELL
2	RESEARCH, BUT NO INSTITUTION OR ORGANIZATION SHOULD
3	BE GUARANTEED A SEAT ON THE BOARD. CONSIDERATION
4	SHOULD BE GIVEN TO ADDING MEMBERS FROM THE BUSINESS
5	COMMUNITY. THE TERMS OF BOARD MEMBERS SHOULD BE
6	STAGGERED TO BALANCE FRESH PERSPECTIVES AND
7	CONTI NUI TY.
8	THE CHAIR AND OTHER ICOC MEMBERS SHOULD BE
9	PROHIBITED FROM SERVING ON THE WORKING GROUPS.
10	DURING THE RECONSTITUTION OF THE WORKING GROUPS, THE
11	CURRENT LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION OF DISEASE ADVOCATES
12	SHOULD BE MAINTAINED, SUCH BOARD MEMBERS BEING
13	REPLACED WITH OTHER DISEASE ADVOCATES WHO ARE NOT
14	BOARD MEMBERS.
15	FINALLY, THE COMMITTEE WAS CONCERNED THAT
16	THE COMPOSITION OF THE ICOC WITH SO MANY
17	REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT RECEIVE
18	FUNDING FROM CIRM AND REPRESENTATIVES OF DISEASE
19	ADVOCACY COMMUNITIES WITH A STAKE IN THE DIRECTIONS
20	OF STEM CELL RESEARCH RAISES QUESTIONS ABOUT
21	CONFLICT OF INTEREST. AND SO WE SPENT SOME TIME ON
22	THAT.
23	PROPOSITION 71 HANDLES THIS BY STATING
24	THAT THESE APPARENT ALLEGIANCES ARE NOT UNLAWFUL,
25	BUT THAT WAS NOT THEN SUFFICIENT TO SOLVE PERSISTENT
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1	CONCERNS THAT WHETHER IT'S LAWFUL OR UNLAWFUL,
2	THERE'S A CONFLICT OF INTEREST PRESENT ON THE BOARD.
3	PROPERLY UNDERSTOOD NOT AS MISCONDUCT, BUT AS BIAS,
4	THERE'S A CONFLICT OF INTEREST PRESENT.
5	AND THE PRIMARY MECHANISM THAT CIRM AND
6	THE ICOC HAVE USED TO MANAGE CONFLICT OF INTEREST
7	HAS BEEN TO CALL FOR RECUSAL OF INDIVIDUAL BOARD
8	MEMBERS FROM PARTICIPATION IN DECISIONS IN WHICH
9	THAT MEMBER'S INSTITUTION HAS AN INTEREST, BUT THIS
10	IS FAR FROM IDEAL. THE APPARENT CONFLICTS MIGHT BE
11	MITIGATED BY THE PRESENCE OF MORE DISINTERESTED
12	MEMBERS ON THE BOARD, BUT WE THINK MAYBE CIRM ALSO
13	NEEDS A MORE SENSITIVE AND FLEXIBLE SET OF TOOLS
14	THAN IT CURRENTLY USES FOR FINANCIAL CONFLICTS TO
15	ADDRESS THE POTENTIAL FOR BLAS ARISING FROM
16	NONFINANCIAL INTERESTS.
17	AND THE VIEW OF THE COMMITTEE IS THAT
18	THESE PERSONAL CONFLICTS SHOULD NOT BE IGNORED, AND
19	THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT CIRM REVISIT ITS
20	CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICIES TO RECOGNIZE THESE
21	CONFLICTS AND TO FIGURE OUT STRATEGIES FOR MANAGING
22	THEM.
23	SPECIFICALLY OUR RECOMMENDATION 3-3 STATES
24	CIRM SHOULD REVISE ITS DEFINITIONS OF CONFLICT OF
25	INTEREST TO RECOGNIZE CONFLICTS ARISING FROM
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1	NONFINANCIAL INTERESTS SUCH AS THE POTENTIAL FOR
2	CONFLICTS ARISING FROM AN INDIVIDUAL'S INTEREST IN A
3	SPECIFIC DISEASE AND SHOULD REASSESS ITS POLICIES
4	FOR MANAGING CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN LIGHT OF THIS
5	BROADER DEFINITION.
6	THE COMMITTEE RECOGNIZED THAT SOME OF
7	THESE RECOMMENDATIONS CALL FOR STEPS THAT CIRM
8	CANNOT TAKE UNILATERALLY BECAUSE OF THE PROVISIONS
9	OF PROPOSITION 71, WHICH REQUIRES THAT CIRM WORK
10	WITH THE LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR IN ORDER TO
11	CHANGE CERTAIN FEATURES THAT WERE PUT IN PLACE BY
12	PROPOSITION 71. BUT CIRM HAS SHOWN ITS ABILITY TO
13	DO THAT SUCCESSFULLY IN THE PAST WITH THE PASSAGE OF
14	SB 1064. SO THE COMMITTEE HAS NOT CONFINED ITSELF
15	TO RECOMMENDATIONS THAT CIRM COULD IMPLEMENT ON ITS
16	OWN, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE OFFERED SOME SUGGESTIONS THAT
17	MIGHT ALLOW SOME CHANGES TO BE IMPLEMENTED MORE
18	QUICKLY WITHOUT AWAITING LEGISLATURE APPROVAL, SUCH
19	AS THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THE LCOC COULD DELEGATE
20	TO CIRM MANAGEMENT SOME OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES THAT
21	PROPOSITION 71 HAS ASSIGNED TO THE ICOC.
22	SO I WANT TO STOP THERE AND GIVE YOU ALL
23	AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK ME QUESTIONS, RECOGNIZING THAT
24	I AM NOW STANDING BETWEEN YOU AND LUNCH.
25	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: ANY QUESTIONS FROM THE
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1	MEMBERS?
2	MS. HOLTON-HODSON: THANK YOU, REBECCA. I
3	THINK J.T. IS GOING TO BE GIVING US SOME RESPONSE TO
4	THAT.
5	PROFESSOR EI SENBERG: OKAY.
6	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: HI, REBECCA. IT'S JON
7	THOMAS HERE. AND I WANTED TO FIRST AND FOREMOST
8	THANK YOU AND YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS OF THE IOM FOR
9	YOUR LENGTHY AND VERY CONSIDERED REVIEW OF CIRM AND
10	THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF IT THAT YOU DESCRIBED AT THE
11	BEGINNING OF YOUR TALK. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE ALL
12	THE WORK AND THE MANY SUGGESTIONS THAT YOU HAVE
13	BROUGHT, SOME OF WHICH YOU MENTIONED HERE, OTHERS
14	THAT ARE ALSO INCLUDED IN THE REPORT AND NOT
15	REFERENCED TODAY FOR PURPOSES OF TODAY'S DISCUSSION.
16	ALSO WOULD LIKE TO SAY HELLO TO MY FRIEND
17	RICH FRIEDMAN WHEN YOU GET A CHANCE.
18	PROFESSOR EISENBERG: HE'S RIGHT ACROSS
19	THE HALL. THAT WILL BE QUITE EASY.
20	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: HE'S A GRADUATE SCHOOL
21	VERY CLOSE FRIEND, SO PLEASE GIVE HIM MY REGARDS.
22	I'D LIKE TO SAY AT THE OUTSET WHEN DR.
23	SHAPIRO PRESENTED THE IOM REPORT AT OUR DECEMBER
24	BOARD MEETING, HE GAVE THE REPORT TO OUR BOARD,
25	WHICH WAS SORT OF HEARING IT AS A MATTER OF FIRST
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1	INSTANCE. THE REPORT HAS, OF COURSE, MANY
2	RECOMMENDED CHANGES THAT DEVIATE FROM CURRENT
3	STRUCTURE AND PRACTICE AT CIRM. AND SO WE WERE
4	HEARING THOSE THERE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A PUBLIC
5	SETTI NG.
6	I HAD SUGGESTED TO DR. SHAPIRO AT THE END
7	OF HIS PRESENTATION THAT, AMONG OTHER THINGS, WE
8	WERE GOING TO TAKE ALL OF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS VERY
9	SERIOUSLY AND THAT I WANTED TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH
10	HIM IF THAT WAS OKAY TO SORT OF GAUGE HOW WE WERE
11	DOING IN OUR RESPONSE.
12	WE THEN WENT FROM THAT DECEMBER BOARD
13	MEETING, WE IN ADVANCE OF THAT SCHEDULED A BOARD
14	WORKSHOP WHICH TOOK PLACE JANUARY 23D AT WHICH WE
15	HAD CONTEMPLATED DISCUSSING THE IOM REPORT. I THINK
16	SORT OF CONVENTIONAL WISDOM WAS THE BOARD, SINCE IT
17	WOULD BE THE FIRST CHANCE IT WOULD HAVE TO GO IN AND
18	ACTUALLY DISCUSS IT, WOULD REVIEW DIFFERENT ASPECTS
19	OF IT AND START DEVELOPING A GAME PLAN FOR HOW TO
20	PROCEED GOING FORWARD TO IMPLEMENT THE
21	RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE IOM.
22	IT WAS MY TAKE THAT JUST GOING IN AND
23	DISCUSSING IT AT THAT MEETING WAS NOT GOING TO BE AN
24	ADEQUATE RESPONSE BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN CRITICIZED AS
25	AN ORGANIZATION IN THE FACE OF LITTLE HOOVER
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1	COMMISSION AND EXTRAORDINARY ADVISORY PANEL REPORTS
2	FOR NOT REALLY ACTING ON RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE'VE
3	HAD, AND I FELT WE NEEDED TO, AS OPPOSED TO GO INTO
4	THAT MEETING JUST SORT OF DISCUSSING THINGS, WE
5	NEEDED TO ACTUALLY COME OUT OF THAT MEETING WITH A
6	THOROUGH, WELL-CONSIDERED PLAN FOR HOW TO MOVE
7	FORWARD. AND SO WE SPENT, MEMBERS OF CIRM SPENT THE
8	NEXT MONTH GIVING VERY CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF
9	ATTENTION TO EXACTLY HOW WE COULD GO ABOUT DOING
10	THAT AND WHAT THAT PLAN WOULD BE.
11	AND MY CHARGE TO EVERYBODY WAS TO TAKE
12	INTO ACCOUNT ALL RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE IOM HAD
13	GIVEN. THERE WERE CERTAIN THINGS THAT IN MY OPINION
14	WE COULD ADDRESS IMMEDIATELY THAT WERE A HUNDRED
15	PERCENT CONSISTENT WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
16	REPORT. THERE WERE OTHER THINGS THAT WE DEALT WITH
17	IN A DIFFERENT WAY THAN THE REPORT SUGGESTED, BUT IN
18	MY OPINION GOT TO A RESULT THAT WAS CONSISTENT WITH
19	THE SPIRIT OF THE IOM REPORT AND CAME UP WITH SORT
20	OF ALL TOLL A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WHICH HAS MANY
21	INTERWOVEN ASPECTS THAT I DO BELIEVE IS RESPONSIVE.
22	AND ONE THING I WANTED TO POINT OUT WAS IN
23	THE PAST, WHEN WE'VE BEEN GIVEN A CHARGE BY THE
24	EARLIER REVIEWING GROUPS, WE HAD BEEN SAID TO
25	COMMENT THAT WE REALLY COULDN'T ADDRESS THESE THINGS
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1	BECAUSE THEY WERE EITHER REQUIRING LEGISLATION OR
2	REQUIRING ADDITIONAL VOTES BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
3	IN A SUBSEQUENT BALLOT MEASURE. TO ME I WAS NOT
4	GOING TO SETTLE FOR THAT RESULT. I FELT WE NEEDED
5	TO RESPOND DECISIVELY AND IMMEDIATELY AND TO DO SO
6	IN A WAY THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO IMPLEMENT THE
7	CHANGES WITHOUT HAVING TO GO TO ANYBODY BECAUSE IF
8	WE REQUIRE LEGISLATION OR WE REQUIRE ADDITIONAL
9	OUTSIDE VALIDATION BY THE VOTERS, THAT WAS GOING TO
10	PUSH THE ACTUAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE CHANGES DOWN
11	MANY MONTHS. AND IN THAT TIME FRAME, WE WOULD HAVE
12	MANY MORE GRANT REVIEWS AND GRANT AWARDS AND WOULD
13	NOT HAVE THE AMENDED PROTOCOLS IN PLACE THAT COULD
14	ADDRESS THOSE IN A WAY THAT WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH
15	WHAT THE IOM WAS ASKING.
16	SO MY CHARGE TO EVERYBODY WAS LET'S FIGURE
17	OUT HOW TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN AS IMMEDIATELY AS
18	POSSIBLE AND AVOID JUST THAT RESULT. JUST AS AN
19	EXAMPLE, SHOULD WE REQUIRE LEGISLATION FOR THINGS,
20	MOST LIKELY THAT LEGISLATION WOULDN'T BE EFFECTIVE
21	UNTIL JANUARY 1 OF 2014. AND WE HAVE EIGHT GRANT
22	REVIEW SESSIONS AND HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS
23	THAT ARE GOING TO BE AWARDED IN CALENDAR 2013. SO
24	IF WE DON'T HAVE THOSE IN PLACE, WE WOULD NOT HAVE
25	THE PROTOCOLS, FOLLOWING THE SPIRIT OF THE IOM
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1	REPORT, FOR THAT CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF ADDITIONAL
2	GRANT FUNDING.
3	SO WITH THAT AS SORT OF A BASIC PRIMER TO
4	THE PLAN THAT WE ADOPTED, AND I DON'T KNOW, REBECCA,
5	IF YOU HAVE A COPY OF THIS.
6	PROFESSOR EISENBERG: I HAVE SEEN IT.
7	YES, I HAVE SEEN IT AND I HAVE REVIEWED IT.
8	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: OKAY. I SHOULD POINT
9	OUT BEFORE I START HERE THAT I TALKED TO A LOT OF
10	PEOPLE ABOUT THIS IN PUTTING IT TOGETHER. WE
11	OBVIOUSLY TALKED EXTENSIVELY WITH STAFF. I HAD SOME
12	CONVERSATIONS WITH OUR BOARD. WE WERE HAMSTRUNG BY
13	BAGLEY-KEENE PUBLIC MEETING DISCLOSURE LAWS SO THAT
14	BASICALLY THE MAJORITY OF MY BOARD NEVER HEARD THIS
15	UNTIL THEY ACTUALLY HEARD IT AT THE JANUARY 23D
16	WORKSHOP.
17	I TALKED TO PATIENT ADVOCATE GROUPS. I
18	TALKED TO INDUSTRY GROUPS. I TALKED TO FORMER CHAIR
19	BOB KLEIN. AND SIGNIFICANTLY, AS I SAID I WOULD, I
20	TALKED TO DR. SHAPIRO TO GET HIS INPUT. AND I
21	SUMMARIZE HIS RESPONSE BY SAYING THAT HE THOUGHT
22	THIS WAS A STEP VERY MUCH IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.
23	CERTAIN THINGS HE THOUGHT MIGHT GO BEYOND WHAT WE
24	DID; OTHER THINGS HE THOUGHT WE HIT SQUARELY. AND
25	INVITE YOU, YOU HAVE THE E-MAIL THAT HE SENT TO ME
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1	THE NIGHT BEFORE OUR WORKSHOP. YOU HAVE DR.
2	SHAPIRO'S E-MAIL AND SENTIMENT IN YOUR PACKAGE THERE
3	AT THE CONCLUSION OF MY REPORT.
4	SO IF WE COULD PROCEED. SO NOW, BECAUSE
5	THERE ARE ONLY CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THIS WHICH THIS
6	BODY IS FOCUSING ON, I'M NOT SURE HOW MUCH OF THIS
7	YOU WANT ME TO GO THROUGH, BUT THE RECOMMENDATIONS
8	THAT I ADDRESSED IN MY PLAN DEALT WITH CONFLICTS,
9	INCREASED INDUSTRY INVOLVEMENT, THE APPELLATE
10	PROCESS AND GRANT REVIEW PROCESS, PROGRAMMATIC
11	REVIEW, WHICH IS SOMETHING I'LL DEFINE WHEN WE GET
12	INTO IT, AND THE ROLE OF PATIENT ADVOCATES, CHAIR
13	AND PRESIDENT DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITIES,
14	INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ISSUES, AND SUSTAINABILITY,
15	COUPLE OTHERS.
16	THERE WERE SORT OF A
17	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: ARE THERE ANY PARTICULAR
18	ITEMS THAT THE MEMBERS WANT TO HEAR ABOUT?
19	MEMBER LIPSON: YES. ONE SPECIFIC ITEM
20	BASI CALLY.
21	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: CONFLICTS.
22	MEMBER LIPSON: YES. AS I NOTED THREE
23	YEARS AGO OR MORE WHEN I CAME ON THE BOARD, HAVING
24	DEANS OF ALL THE MEDICAL SCHOOLS IN CALIFORNIA AS
25	BOARD MEMBERS IS A REAL PROBLEM BECAUSE I WAS TOLD
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1	AT THE TIME EACH MEDICAL SCHOOL IS GETTING AWARDS, I
2	THINK, BETWEEN TEN AND \$80 MILLION FOR THAT YEAR,
3	WHICH MEANS NO ONE IS GOING TO VOTE AGAINST ANYTHING
4	FOR ANYONE ELSE BECAUSE THEY'RE ALL GETTING GOODIES.
5	EVEN ABSTAINING FROM YOUR OWN INSTITUTION, THERE'S A
6	BUILT-IN SORT OF BIAS ON THE PART OF EACH DEAN.
7	THE SECOND ISSUE IS DEANS ARE NOT
8	NECESSARILY KNOWLEDGEABLE IN STEM RESEARCH. IN
9	FACT, THEY USUALLY AREN'T. WE HAVE A DEAN WHO'S AN
10	OPHTHALMOLOGIST AT USC. SO THE QUESTION IS HAVING
11	MEMBERS, IF YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE ONE FROM EACH
12	INSTITUTION WHO IS THEIR LEADER IN THE AREA OF STEM
13	CELL RESEARCH OR ONE OF THEIR TOP PEOPLE RATHER THAN
14	AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS THERE FOR SHOW REALLY MORE THAN
15	ANYTHING ELSE. AND THE IDEA OF, I THINK, HAVING,
16	THEREFORE, PEOPLE VOTING WHEN THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE
17	COLLEAGUES GETTING THINGS WHICH THEY FIGURE WILL
18	COME BACK ONTO THEM IS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST.
19	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: ANYBODY ELSE WANT ANY
20	ITEMS? ONE AND FIVE FOR ME. ITEMS ONE AND FIVE.
21	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: SO WE'LL START WITH THE
22	CONFLICTS. SO WE'VE HEARD THIS FROM YOU, DR.
23	LIPSON, BEFORE. WE'VE HEARD IT FROM LITTLE HOOVER,
24	WE HEARD IT FROM EXTRAORDINARY ADVISORY PANEL, AND
25	WE HEARD IT FROM THE IOM. SO CLEARLY WE NEEDED TO
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1	DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.
2	JUST TWO SECONDS OF BACKGROUND ON HOW
3	THINGS CURRENTLY WORK. AS YOU KNOW, OUR PEER REVIEW
4	GROUP IS MADE UP OF STEM CELL EXPERTS FROM AROUND
5	THE WORLD LITERALLY WHO ARE CONVENED AND COME IN
6	NONE OF WHICH HAVE ANY CONNECTION WITH CALIFORNIA
7	WHATSOEVER. SO THE INITIAL PEER REVIEW CUT DONE BY
8	THE SCIENTISTS IS ENTIRELY CONFLICT FREE.
9	MEMBER LIPSON: I DISAGREE WITH THAT.
10	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: OKAY. I'D BE VERY HAPPY
11	TO HEAR WHAT YOU THINK WE SHOULD DO TO IMPROVE THAT
12	AS WELL, BUT THEY ARE ALL OUT OF CALIFORNIA
13	SCIENTISTS. SO THEY GO THROUGH THE PEER REVIEW,
14	THEY GO THROUGH THE SCORING. CURRENTLY IS THEN
15	SUBJECT TO WHAT WE CALL PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW, WHICH
16	TYPICALLY DEALS WITH NONSCIENCE ASPECTS OF THE
17	PARTICULAR PROPOSALS. A VOTE IS TAKEN ON ADVANCING
18	THE SLATE OF PROJECTS TO THE BOARD.
19	THE BOARD SEES THESE PROJECTS BLINDLY,
20	WHICH MEANS AS THEY SIT THERE AND LOOK AT THE
21	PROPOSALS THAT ARE UP ON THE SCREEN, THEY DON'T KNOW
22	WHICH INSTITUTIONS ARE THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE
23	INDIVIDUAL PROPOSALS. SO THEY'RE, AS BEST THEY CAN,
24	EVALUATING THEM ON MERIT DIVORCED FROM ANY SORT OF
25	INSTITUTIONAL BIAS.
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1	THEN FOLLOWING THAT THEY THEN PUT ASIDE
2	THE ISSUE OF APPEALS, WHICH I DON'T THINK YOU'RE
3	INTERESTED IN. BUT AT THE END OF THE DISCUSSION BY
4	THE BOARD, THE BOARD THEN VOTES. EACH MEMBER OF THE
5	BOARD HAS IN FRONT OF HIM OR HER A LIST OF GRANT
6	PROPOSALS THAT ARE CONFLICTS FOR THEM INDIVIDUALLY.
7	AND BECAUSE THEY'RE CONFLICTS, THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED
8	TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSION OF A PARTICULAR
9	AWARD THAT PERTAINS TO THEM AND THAT THEY ARE
10	CONFLICTED WITH. THEY GO THROUGH THE WHOLE
11	DISCUSSION. AGAIN, THE ENTIRE THING IS BLIND WITH
12	RESPECT TO WHICH INSTITUTIONS YOU'RE VOTING ON.
13	THEN THE BOARD VOTES. AND THAT'S HOW IT ULTIMATELY
14	ARRIVES AT THE SLATE OF AWARDS THAT IT GIVES.
15	I SHOULD NOTE WE DID A STUDY WHICH SHOWED
16	THAT SOME 98 PERCENT OF THE TIME THE BOARD APPROVES
17	THE PEER REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS. WE'VE HAD ROUGHLY
18	2 PERCENT OF THE TIME THAT THAT HAS NOT BEEN THE
19	CASE FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. SO THAT'S HOW IT IS
20	AT THE MOMENT.
21	AS I THINK REBECCA POINTED OUT, YOU HAVE
22	THE SITUATION WHERE YOU HAVE RECUSALS AND THAT SORT
23	OF THING. WHEN THE VOTES ACTUALLY COME UP, THEY
24	CAN'T VOTE ON THEIR OWN PROJECTS, ETC. UNDERSTAND
25	THAT THAT HAS BEEN DEEMED NOT SUFFICIENT BECAUSE
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1	THERE'S STILL, AS YOU POINT OUT, THIS PERCEPTION
2	THAT YOU'RE VOTING YOURSELF MONEY. AND THAT IS AT A
3	MINIMUM A PERCEPTION OF CONFLICT. I THINK WE'VE
4	GONE BACK OVER OUR EIGHT YEARS AND 1300 PLUS AWARDS
5	THAT WE'VE MADE, AND WE HAVEN'T ACTUALLY FOUND A
6	SINGLE VOTE TO AWARD THAT INVOLVED SOMEBODY WHO WAS
7	CONFLICTED IN MAKING THAT VOTE. PUTTING ALL THAT
8	ASIDE, THERE STILL IS THE PERCEPTION, AND PERCEPTION
9	CAN BECOME REALITY FOR THE PUBLIC AND THAT SORT OF
10	THI NG.
11	SO I FIGURED WE NEEDED TO DO SOMETHING
12	VERY DRAMATIC TO ADDRESS THIS PERCEPTION ISSUE.
13	THERE WERE A NUMBER OF OPTIONS THAT ONE COULD
14	CONSIDER. YOU COULD START REMOVING MEMBERS FROM
15	THOSE INSTITUTIONS FROM THE BOARD AND REPLACING THEM
16	WITH OTHER PEOPLE FROM DIFFERENT WALKS. IT WAS MY
17	OPINION THAT DOING THAT, NO. 1, WOULD ABSOLUTELY
18	REQUIRE AT LEAST LEGISLATION, MAYBE EVEN AN
19	ADDITIONAL BALLOT MEASURE. NO. 2, WOULD PULL THEM
20	OUT OF THE MANY DISCUSSIONS THAT WE HAVE AT THE
21	BOARD LEVEL THAT DEAL WITH VERY IMPORTANT THINGS
22	BEYOND VOTING ON GRANTS, SUCH AS THE STRATEGIC PLAN,
23	TRANSITION, ALL THAT SORT OF THING, AND THEY DO
24	HAVE THEY ARE FROM THE INSTITUTION THAT IS DOING
25	THE RESEARCH. SO WHILE THEY MAY NOT BE EXPERTS
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THEMSELVES, THEY CERTAINLY HAVE INPUT THAT IS
RELEVANT TO THE FIELD AND THE STRATEGY AND HOW THIS
WHOLE THING CONTINUES TO EVOLVE.
SO I DIDN'T WANT TO PULL THEM OFF. I JUST
DIDN'T THINK THAT WAS A GOOD IDEA AND WOULD TAKE
AWAY PEOPLE WHO WOULD GIVE THE BOARD AND, THEREFORE,
THE TAXPAYERS THE BEST CHANCE TO ACTUALLY MAKE THE
MOST INFORMED DECISIONS.
BUT KEEPING IN MIND YOU HAVE THIS CONFLICT
ISSUE, WHAT I PUT IN PLACE WAS, INSTEAD OF HAVING
THEM DO WHAT THEY DO, FROM THE TIME THAT OUR PLAN IS
FORMALLY ADOPTED, GOING FORWARD NO MEMBER FROM ANY
INSTITUTION CAN VOTE ON ANY GRANT, PERIOD. THEY'RE
GOING TO ABSTAIN FROM EVERY VOTE HEREAFTER. AND AS
A RESULT, THEY CAN'T BE VOTING ON MONEY GOING TO
THEMSELVES. THERE'S BEEN TALK THAT, HEY, IF I
SCRATCH YOUR BACK, YOU'LL SCRATCH MINE. SO IF X
VOTES FOR SOMETHING FOR Y, Y WILL VOTE FOR SOMETHING
FOR X. CAN'T DO THAT ANYMORE BECAUSE THEY CAN'T
VOTE ON ANYTHING GOING FORWARD.
SO WHAT WE'VE DONE IS WE'VE NOW KEPT THEM
THERE FOR PURPOSES OF DISCUSSION AND STRATEGY AND
OVERALL FEEL FOR WHAT WE'RE ABOUT GOING FORWARD AND
DECISIONS THAT DIRECTLY AFFECT THE DIRECTION OF THE
AGENCY, ETC., BUT THEY CAN'T VOTE ON ANYTHING. SO
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1	WE'VE DEALT WITH THAT CONFLICT ISSUE, WHICH I THINK
2	IS EXACTLY, THAT'S NOT NECESSARILY WHAT YOU
3	RECOMMENDED AS THE WAY TO DO IT, BUT I THINK IS IN
4	FULL CONFORMITY WITH WHAT YOU'VE BEEN SUGGESTING WE
5	SHOULD DO FOR MANY YEARS.
6	MEMBER LIPSON: RIGHT. BUT IN ADDITION,
7	THEY SHOULDN'T BE PRESENT DURING THE VOTE SO THEY
8	CAN'T SEE WHO VOTED FOR WHAT.
9	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: REMEMBER, OTHER THAN
10	THEIR PARTICULAR PROJECT, THEY DON'T KNOW WHO'S
11	VOTING FOR ANYTHING. IT'S ALL BLIND. ALL THEY SEE
12	ARE NUMBERS UP THERE.
13	MEMBER LIPSON: NO ONE SEES HOW ANYONE
14	VOTES; IS THAT CORRECT?
15	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: WELL, YOU SEE THEM VOTE,
16	BUT YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT PROJECTS THEY'RE VOTING ON
17	BECAUSE THERE'S NO LIST UP THERE THAT IDENTIFIES THE
18	PROJECTS BY INSTITUTION.
19	MEMBER LIPSON: SOMETIMES, THOUGH, HAVING
20	PEOPLE THERE FROM THE INSTITUTIONS MAY INFLUENCE HOW
21	PEOPLE VOTE. AND SOMETIMES PEOPLE KNOW WHERE
22	INSTITUTIONS WHAT GRANTS COME FROM WHICH
23	INSTITUTIONS BECAUSE THE STEM CELL AREA IS A VERY
24	TI GHT AREA.
25	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: IT'S NOT EASY TO TELL
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1	BECAUSE MULTIPLE INSTITUTIONS WORK ON THE SAME
2	DISEASE AND MULTIPLE MANY TIMES YOU'LL HAVE
3	APPLICATIONS THAT INVOLVE A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT
4	BODIES. FOR EXAMPLE, OUR DISEASE TEAMS COULD HAVE
5	REPRESENTATIVES FROM VARIOUS PLACES. IT'S VERY
6	TOUGH. IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT UP
7	THERE, YOU CAN'T SAY, OH, WELL, THAT'S A UC DAVIS
8	PROJECT, FOR EXAMPLE. IT'S JUST VERY DIFFICULT TO
9	DO.
10	MEMBER LIPSON: BUT IS THERE ANYTHING
11	HARMFUL IN HAVING THAT GROUP TOTALLY EXCUSED FROM
12	THE ROOM WHILE THE VOTING IS TAKING PLACE? IT WON'T
13	MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE.
14	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: WELL, WE COULD LET ME
15	TALK TO OUR COUNSEL HERE. IT GETS INTO QUORUM
16	ISSUES AND EVERYTHING ELSE.
17	MR. HARRISON: WE DO HAVE A POLICY IN
18	PLACE WHEN AN APPLICATION OR APPLICANT INSTITUTION
19	IS IDENTIFIED BECAUSE THEY'VE, FOR EXAMPLE, SENT A
20	LETTER TO THE BOARD IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES AS THE
21	PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR AND IDENTIFYING THEIR
22	INSTITUTION. UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN THERE'S
23	A DISCUSSION OF THAT APPLICATION, THE MEMBER FROM
24	THAT INSTITUTION HAS TO LEAVE THE ROOM. SO WHERE
25	IT'S KNOWN WHERE THE PROVENANCE OF THE APPLICATION
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1	IS KNOWN AND THAT APPLICATION IS DISCUSSED, WE DO
2	ASK THE MEMBERS TO LEAVE THE ROOM.
3	MEMBER LIPSON: RIGHT. BUT THEN EVERYONE
4	ELSE KNOWS WHERE THE INSTITUTION THAT'S PUTTING IT
5	IN IS. SO WHAT I'M SAYING IS IF YOU REALLY WANT TO
6	HAVE CONFLICT FREE, JUST DON'T HAVE THEM INVOLVED
7	WITH DISCUSSION OR VOTING.
8	MR. HARRISON: SO THAT RAISES CHALLENGES
9	FOR US IN TERMS OF MAINTAINING A QUORUM. THESE
10	MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE. WE'RE ASKING THEM TO
11	RECUSE THEMSELVES. SO IF THEY WERE TO LEAVE THE
12	ROOM, THEN WE WOULD LOSE OUR QUORUM AND WE WOULD BE
13	UNABLE TO TAKE ACTION. SO WE HAVE A LEGAL CHALLENGE
14	THERE THAT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO OVERCOME.
15	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: I'D ALSO LIKE TO POINT
16	OUT THAT THE INSTANCES WHERE THE INSTITUTION WILL BE
17	IDENTIFIED PRINCIPALLY WOULD ARISE, AS IT CURRENTLY
18	STANDS, THROUGH OUR APPEALS PROCESS WHERE YOU WOULD
19	HAVE SOMEBODY COME FROM SOME INSTITUTION THAT WAS
20	TURNED DOWN, AND THEY'D SAY I'M SO-AND-SO FROM X AND
21	HERE'S WHY THEY MADE A MISTAKE IN NOT APPROVING ME.
22	THAT WOULD GET THE NAME OUT IN PUBLIC.
23	ONE OF THE THINGS WE'RE DOING IS WE'VE NOW
24	TAKEN AWAY THE APPELLATE PROCESS THAT FORMERLY WENT
25	TO THE BOARD AND WE'RE NOW PUTTING IT DIRECTLY TO
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1	STAFF, WHO WILL EVALUATE AND DECIDE WHETHER THERE
2	SHOULD BE ADDITIONAL REVIEW BY THE SCIENTISTS ON THE
3	PEER REVIEW GROUP. AND BECAUSE WE'VE DONE AWAY WITH
4	THAT NOW, YOU DON'T HAVE THE SAME AVENUE WHERE THEY
5	CAN SELF-IDENTIFY AND THE REST OF THE BOARD KNOWS
6	WHICH INSTITUTION YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. SO IT'S
7	ANOTHER WAY OF DEALING WITH THE CONFLICTS ISSUE.
8	MEMBER LIPSON: RIGHT. BUT IF SOMEONE
9	WALKS OUT OF THE ROOM WHEN THE GRANT IS GOING TO BE
10	VOTED ON, THAT AUTOMATICALLY TELEGRAPHS THAT IT'S
11	FROM THAT INSTITUTION.
12	MEMBER KOVACH: THAT'S WHY YOU WOULDN'T
13	WANT THEM TO LEAVE THE ROOM. YOU KEEP THE QUORUM,
14	PLUS YOU'RE NOT SIGNALING THAT YOU'RE DRAWING
15	KIND OF A SIGNAL TO THE FACT THAT THIS IS FROM THEIR
16	INSTITUTION. IT SEEMS TO ME WHAT YOU'VE DONE IS, AT
17	LEAST IN MY EYES, REALLY KIND OF GETTING RIGHT AT
18	ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT HAS BEEN RAISED BEFORE IN
19	TERMS OF CONFLICT.
20	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: WE THINK SO. ANY OTHER
21	THOUGHTS ON THE CONFLICT ISSUE? JOHN, WE SORT OF
22	ADDRESSED THAT ISSUE. YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS
23	ON THAT?
24	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: CAN YOU ELABORATE MORE
25	ON FIVE?
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1	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: SURE. WE'VE HAD THIS
2	SORT OF CONCEPT OUT FLOATING AROUND OUT THERE FOR
3	QUITE SOME TIME OF DUAL EXECUTIVES AND OVERLAPPING
4	RESPONSIBILITIES AND ALL THAT SORT OF THING. AND SO
5	IN TAKING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE IOM, IT WAS MY
6	OPINION THAT WHAT WE SHOULD BE DOING WITH RESPECT TO
7	THE FULL SPECTRUM OF TASKS THAT ONE HAS TO ATTEND TO
8	TO MAKE THE AGENCY WORK, THAT WE SHOULD FOCUS THOSE
9	TASKS OR LINK THOSE TASKS WITH THE PEOPLE WHO ARE
10	BEST SUITED TO UNDERTAKE THEM TO MAKE THEM DONE
11	EFFICIENTLY AND DONE IN THE BEST MANNER POSSIBLE.
12	SO IT WAS MY OPINION THAT, WITH RESPECT TO
13	ANYTHING THAT HAS TO DO WITH THE SCIENTIFIC
14	OPERATIONS OF THE AGENCY, WHICH WOULD INCLUDE ALL
15	THE SORTS OF THINGS WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT TODAY,
16	THE REVIEW GROUPS, THE GRANTS MANAGEMENT, THE
17	DEALING WITH THE REGULATORY AGENCIES, DEALING WITH
18	THE NIH, DEALING WITH OUR COLLABORATIVE FUNDING
19	PARTNERS, WHICH WE DIDN'T REALLY DEFINE VERY WELL,
20	BUT IS THAT UNIVERSE OF CONNECTIONS AND NETWORKING
21	WE HAVE WITH THE WORLD WHERE WE HAVE 22
22	COLLABORATIVE FUNDING AGREEMENTS WITH EITHER
23	DIFFERENT COUNTRIES OR WITH NIH OR WITH STATES OR
24	WITH STATES WITHIN COUNTRIES OR WITH DISEASE
25	FOUNDATIONS. ALL THAT STUFF HAS TO DO WITH THE
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SCIENTIFIC OPERATIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION. AND ALL
OF THAT YOU WOULD EXPECT TO BE SOMETHING THAT A
SCIENTIST PRESIDENT WOULD BE ABLE TO ADDRESS RIGHT
WITHIN HIS OR HER WHEELHOUSE. AND SO I WOULD SAY
ALL OF THAT STUFF, WHICH IS A LOT, WOULD BE IN THE
PROVINCE OF THE PRESIDENT.
THERE'S A LOT OF THE OTHER STUFF THE
AGENCY NEEDS TO WORK THAT YOU WOULDN'T EXPECT A
SCIENTIST PRESIDENT TO HAVE AS SKILL SETS, AND THIS
IS THINGS LIKE GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, BOND FINANCING,
PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE LAY PUBLIC AS OPPOSED
TO THE SCIENCE MEDIA, THINGS OF THAT SORT OF ILK.
AND MY SENSE IS THAT THOSE THINGS ARE NOT SOMETHING
YOU WANT THE PRESIDENT TO BE ATTENDING TO. JUST
LIKE THE SCIENCE STUFF ISN'T SOMETHING YOU WANT THE
CHAIR TO BE ATTENDING TO. SO THE CHAIR, WHICH ALAN
WILL READILY BACK ME UP, DOESN'T MEDDLE IN THE
SCIENTIFIC OPERATIONS. IS THAT FAIR? CURRENT CHAIR
AT ANY RATE. BUT THESE OTHER THINGS, WHICH ARE NOT
IN THAT SAME SET OF SKILL SETS, I THINK, SHOULD BE
ATTENDED TO BY THE PERSON BEST SET UP TO DO THAT.
THE OTHER BIG ISSUE, OF COURSE, IS
SUSTAINABILITY, RAISING FUNDS. IF WE'RE GOING TO
TRY TO PERPETUATE CIRM, WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT'S A
VERY FRONT-BURNER ISSUE FOR ME BECAUSE WE HAVE ALL
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1	THIS GREAT SCIENCE OUT THERE, IT'S GOING TO BE
2	MIDSTREAM LARGELY BY THE TIME WE RUN OUT OF MONEY TO
3	AWARD, SO WHAT CAN WE DO TO PERPETUATE THAT. AND
4	VERY HONORED THAT THE LOW THOUGHT ENOUGH OF CLRM AND
5	WHAT IT IS TO LIST SUSTAINABILITY AS ONE OF THE
6	HIGHEST PRIORITIES. ALL OF THESE THINGS SHOULD BE,
7	IN MY OPINION, DONE BY THE PERSON WHO'S BEST SUITED
8	TO DO THAT.
9	SO FAR FROM OVERLAPPING RESPONSIBILITIES,
10	WHAT YOU'VE DONE UNDER THE WAY I'VE DEFINED IT IS
11	GIVE THE ORGANIZATION THE BEST CHANCE TO ADDRESS
12	EVERYTHING IT NEEDS TO COMPREHENSIVELY BY THE RIGHT
13	PEOPLE. AND IN SO DOING, GIVE YOURSELF THE BEST
14	SHOT OF SUCCESS. SO THAT'S HOW I WOULD ADDRESS THAT
15	I SSUE.
16	MEMBER KOVACH: COULD YOU TALK MORE ABOUT
17	THE APPEALS PROCESS? YOU TOUCHED ON IT BRIEFLY, BUT
18	HOW WOULD IT WORK AGAIN?
19	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: SO CURRENTLY IF WE HAVE
20	APPLICANTS WHO HAVE BEEN TURNED DOWN, THERE ARE
21	DIFFERENT WAYS TO APPEAL. I MIGHT JUST LOOK TO
22	JAMES TO LIST THEM BECAUSE IT INFORMS MY ANSWER.
23	MAKE SURE I DON'T LEAVE ANYTHING OUT.
24	MR. HARRISON: CURRENTLY THERE'S ONLY A
25	SINGLE AVENUE FOR WHAT WE CALL AN APPEAL, AND THAT'S
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1	AN APPEAL BASED ON A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. HOWEVER,
2	BECAUSE CIRM IS A PUBLIC BODY, MEMBERS OF THE
3	PUBLIC, INCLUDING APPLICANTS, OF COURSE, ARE FREE TO
4	CONTACT THE BOARD AND TO APPEAR AT BOARD MEETINGS
5	AND OFFER PUBLIC COMMENT. WHEN APPLICANTS BEGAN TO
6	SEND LETTERS TO THE BOARD OR TO APPEAR AT PUBLIC
7	MEETINGS, WE DEVELOPED WHAT WE CALL THE
8	EXTRAORDINARY PETITION POLICY, WHICH REQUIRED THAT
9	THEY DO SO IN WRITING, SUBMIT IT TO CIRM STAFF AT
10	LEAST FIVE DAYS BEFORE A BOARD MEETING SO THAT STAFF
11	WOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EVALUATE THESE ISSUES
12	BEFORE THE BOARD WOULD ACTUALLY BE PRESENTED WITH
13	THEM. SO WE HAVE THESE TWO DIFFERENT AVENUES UNDER
14	THE EXISTING PROTOCOL.
15	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: SO WHAT SORT OF GOT THE
16	ATTENTION OF THE IOM WAS THIS EXTRAORDINARY PETITION
17	POLICY BECAUSE YOU'VE STARTED TO SEE INCREASINGLY
18	MORE APPLICANTS WHO HAD BEEN TURNED DOWN COMING TO
19	PRESENT. AND IN THE PAST THE BOARD HAD HEARD THESE
20	APPEALS, AND IN SOME INSTANCES IT ACTUALLY ACTED ON
21	THEM AS THEY WERE HAPPENING.
22	NOW, BECAUSE MOST OF WHAT GETS APPEALED IS
23	SCIENTIFIC IN NATURE, LAST JULY I SAID AT THE BOARD
24	MEETING I DON'T GET THIS. WE'RE NOT AS A BOARD
25	EQUIPPED TO BE ABLE TO FIGURE OUT WHETHER WHAT YOU

ARE SAYING IS VALID OR NOT, SO WE SHOULD START
SENDING THESE THINGS BACK TO THE PEER REVIEW GROUP
TO ANALYZE THESE SCIENTIFIC APPEALS. AND SO WE DID
THAT.
AND WE WERE SORT OF IN THE MIDDLE OF THE
PROCESS OF REFINING THAT POLICY WHEN THE IOM REPORT
CAME OUT AND HIGHLIGHTED THIS EXTRAORDINARY PETITION
PRACTICE AS A PROBLEM. AND SO WHEN I WAS GOING
THROUGH HOW TO PUT THIS WHOLE PLAN TOGETHER, I TOOK
THE IOM ADVICE TO HEART. AND I SAID WE NEED TO DEAL
WITH THIS IN A WAY THAT DOESN'T HAVE BUSINESS AS
USUAL ON EXTRAORDINARY PETITIONS BECAUSE IT'S JUST
CREATING TOO MUCH CONTROVERSY AND DRAMA, ETC.
SO WHAT WE'VE NOW DONE IS, INSTEAD OF ANY
APPEALS COMING TO THE BOARD, THEY NOW GO TO STAFF.
STAFF EVALUATES THESE PETITIONS, DECIDES WHETHER OR
NOT THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT MERIT TO WARRANT REVIEW BY
THE PEER REVIEW GROUP AGAIN OR SOME SUBSET THEREOF.
AND THESE ARE ISSUES WE'RE DEFINING WHAT THE
CRITERIA WOULD BE, BUT IT'S THINGS LIKE, WELL, THEY
DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT I ACTUALLY SAID IN MY
PROPOSAL. HERE'S WHAT IT REALLY MEANS. IS THAT
ADEQUATE TO GET ANOTHER REVIEW? OR WE HAVE HAD IN
THE PAST MATERIAL NEW DEVELOPMENTS. WE HAD ONE, FOR
EXAMPLE, THAT WAS TURNED DOWN BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T
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1	THINK THEY'D EVER GET AN IND. WELL, IN BETWEEN THAT
2	MEETING AND THE BOARD, THEY GOT AN IND. SO THAT
3	AFFECTED THEIR PARTICULAR PROPOSAL OBVIOUSLY.
4	BUT WHAT WE WANTED TO DO WAS TO GIVE IT TO
5	STAFF AND THE SCIENTISTS, WHICH IS WHERE THE APPEALS
6	PROPERLY ARE. SO IF YOU HAVE THE APPEALS COME IN,
7	YOU'VE ALREADY HAD THE PEER REVIEW GROUP HAVE ITS
8	LIST AND SCORES AND EVERYTHING ELSE. IF THEY DECIDE
9	SOMETHING ELSE SHOULD BE SCORED HIGHER, THEY'LL
10	ACCORDINGLY SO NOTE. AND THAT WILL BE PART OF THE
11	SLATE THAT COMES BACK TO THE BOARD.
12	NOW, THERE'S OTHER ASPECTS OF THAT DEALING
13	WITH PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW, WHICH I'M HAPPY TO
14	DESCRIBE IF ANYBODY IS INTERESTED, BUT THAT'S HOW WE
15	TOOK CARE OF THAT ISSUE. AND WE'VE NOW TAKEN
16	EXTRAORDINARY PETITIONS COMPLETELY AWAY FROM THE
17	BOARD.
18	NOW, HAVING SAID THAT, AT THE END OF EVERY
19	MEETING, WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. WE'RE A PUBLIC
20	AGENCY. SOMEBODY CAN STILL STAND UP, BUT THE
21	LIKELIHOOD OF THAT, HAVING GONE THROUGH RE-REVIEW,
22	WE'RE NOT RE-REVIEWING EVERYTHING ELSE, THE
23	LIKELIHOOD OF THAT EVER GETTING ANYWHERE IS DE
24	MINIMIS. SO THAT'S HOW WE'VE DEALT WITH THE APPEAL
25	PROCESS.
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1	MEMBER KOVACH: THANK YOU.
2	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: VERY GOOD. NEXT ITEM,
3	PUBLIC COMMENT.
4	CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU, REBECCA.
5	CHAIRMAN CHIANG: THERE'S NOBODY HERE TO
6	MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT. BOARD MEMBER TIME. SO WE ARE
7	NOW ADJOURNED. THANK YOU.
8	(THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED AT
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