| 1 | Tuesday, 10 November 2015 | 1 | ended up with the worst of both worlds. He wouldn't |
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| 2 | (10.30 am) | 2 | sured certainty and finality, because there would |
| 3 | MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Good morning | 3 | be the whole construction exercise. If "funding' |
| 4 | Opening submissions by MR DICKER (continued) | 4 | doesn't mean funding but means borrowing, what doe |
| 5 | MR DICKER: My Lord, I wanted to start just by picking up | 5 | "borrowing" mean, what are the limits of borrowing, |
| 6 | a few points arising out of the discussion yesterday, | 6 | arguments about arbitrary results and things of that |
| 7 | try to draw a few strands together. | 7 | sort. But, at the same time, he would have accepted, |
| 8 | The first point I am sure your Lordship has, but | 8 | once you have resolved all those construction issues: |
| 9 | just concerns the meaning of the phrase "cos | 9 | evertheless within that envelope I am still quite |
| 10 | funding". We say it has its natural meaning: "Funding" | 10 | happy to have the relevant payee determine the question |
| 11 | means funding, not some narrower concept like borrowing, | 11 | rationally and in good faith, and provided he does so, |
| 12 | and "cost" means cost, not some narrower concept like | 12 | that is conclusive.' |
| 13 | lowest cost. | 13 | say that is essentially Wentworth's |
| 14 | There is then a separate question, we say, as to the | 14 | case, as we now understand it, and we say that is an |
| 15 | extent to which the relevant payee's determination can | 15 | incoherent mixing of approaches. |
| 16 | be challenged. Now, there were a number of possible | 16 | As I say, the draftsman chose rationality and good |
| 17 | approaches the draftsman could have taken, and just | 17 | faith. There were alternative approaches he could have |
| 18 | identifying those: firstly, there is obviously the bon | 18 | taken: an objective test for the court or some specific |
| 19 | fid | 19 | mechanism. He didn't take either of those, and that, we |
| 20 | "Well, it should be an objective question ultimately to | 20 | say, was for good reason |
| 21 | be decided by the court"; | 21 | My Lord, the next point is this, again picking up |
| 22 | provided some more specific mechanism test or p | 22 | a point I made yesterday, but just to add a couple more |
| 23 | mon ground between the partie | 23 | submissions in relation to it. We do say the |
| 24 | that what he did among those three mechanisms was adopt | 24 | relationship with the concept of loss and with the |
| 25 | the first. He wasn't concerned with the consequences of Page 1 | 25 | closeout amount in the 1992 and 2002 agreements is Page 3 |
| 1 | that, in the sense that such conce | 1 | instructive. Again, the test is essentially one based |
| 2 | say: | 2 | rationality and good faith. It is not an objective |
| 3 | "Well, rationality and good faith is not enough of | 3 | question for the court. That is clear from the |
| 4 | a standard or hurdle. I need to give the court power to | 4 | authorities |
| 5 | determine what the right cost of funding | 5 | Your Lordship I think yesterday said, "Well, at |
| 6 | Nor did he say: | 6 | least in that context, you have suffered a loss". |
| 7 | "It is too open-textured, I need to find some | 7 | My Lord, two responses to that. |
| 8 | way of dealing with this." | 8 | ne, the definition of "loss", itself, includes, as |
| 9 | Your Lordship has seen examples of the latter | 9 | your Lordship saw, cost of funding. |
| 10 | obviously in another context. The non-default rate, i | 10 | Secondly, cost of funding is intended to compensate |
| 11 | the context of the 2002 master agreement, where the | 11 | a party for a real loss, namely, the time value of |
| 12 | draftsman shifted from a test based on cost of funding | 12 | money. |
| 13 | to simply asking, "Well, what would you have received | 13 | We are not dealing with one situation in which there |
| 14 | from a bank if you deposited the funds overnight?" | 14 | is a loss, and effectively it can define itself in that |
| 15 | Which is obviously a much more specific question. | 15 | way, and another situation in which there isn't. It is |
| 16 | The one thing we submit is clear is that what th | 16 | simply a question in both cases of measuring what we are |
| 17 | draftsman didn't do, didn't intend to do, was to combine | 17 | talking about. Loss which may, itself, include cost of |
| 18 | the use of broad words, like "funding" and "cost", | 18 | funding requires to be measured. Similarly, in the |
| 19 | require the court essentially to construe those words, | 19 | context of default rate, cost of funding requires to be |
| 20 | and then say, "Well, within the constraints of whatever | 20 | measured. |
| 21 | construction the court comes up with, within that | 21 | Calculation of loss, again, we say may be difficult, |
| 22 | envelope, any determination by the relevant payee is | 22 | ay be very difficult. It will often be prospective, |
| 23 | conclusive, provided it is rational and in good faith". | 23 | and it may depend on hypotheticals. What would have |
| 24 | My Lord, we would say there would be no sensible | 24 | happened if the derivative had not been terminated and |
| 25 | reason for him to do that. He essentially would have | 25 | the obligations of the parties had been performed? |
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| 1 | Your Lordship, in our submission, does get some | 1 | terminated transactions." |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | assistance in relation to this from the expanded | 2 | So an express recognition in the context of closeout |
| 3 | approach which the draftsman took in the context of | 3 | amounts that the party is entitled to -- not necessarily |
| 4 | definition of "closeout amount" in the 2002 agreement. | 4 | required to -- use pricing or valuation models that it |
| 5 | If your Lordship goes to the core bundle, tab 8, it is | 5 | uses in the regular course of business. The implication |
| 6 | page 193, just by the first hole punch on 193. The | 6 | of that is that, subject obviously to the overriding |
| 7 | draftsman identifies some of the information which the | 7 | constraint of rationality and good faith, that is |
| 8 | determining party may take into account. He says, just | 8 | something it is entitled to do. |
| 9 | by the hole punch: | 9 | MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: In the certification of default rate, |
| 10 | "In determining a closeout amount, the determining | 10 | these techniques which |
| 11 | party may consider any relevant information including | 11 | port commercially reasonable procedures in order to |
| 12 | without limitation one or more of the following types of | 12 | produce a commercially reasonable result are imported? |
| 13 | information ..." | 13 | MR DICKER: Not directly into the definition of "default |
| 14 | Then three paragraphs, just focusin | 14 | te". The way we would submit it works is, what the |
| 15 | (iii). (ii) refers to: | 15 | raftsman has done in the context of closeout amount |
| 16 | "Information consisting of relevant market data in | 16 | ere is spell out in a little more detail essentially |
| 17 | the relevant market supplied by one or more third | 17 | hat a rational and good faith approach may involve, may |
| 18 | parties, including without limitation relevant rates, | 18 | permitted or may be required. Now, he hasn't |
| 19 | prices, yields, yield curves, volatilities, spreads | 19 | fault rate, |
| 20 | correlations or other relevant market data in the | 20 | y beca |
| 21 | relevant ma | 21 | interest |
| 22 | chanisms or all ingredients of an attempt | 22 | accruing on a termination amount -- |
| 23 | to measure what is ultimately often a hypothetical sum | 23 | MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Remind me, and I am sorry to be vagu |
| 24 | which can only be estimated: | 24 | cation for closeout amount? |
| 25 | (iii): | 25 | MR DICKER: Yes. |
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| 1 | "Information of the types described in (i) or (ii) | 1 | MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: That certification would be reviewabl |
| 2 | above from internal sources, if that information is of | 2 | as regards whether the procedu |
| 3 | the same type used by the determining party in the | 3 | ere commercially reasonable or as to whether the result |
| 4 | regular course of its business for the valuation of | 4 | as commercially reasonable, or do you say foreclosed by |
| 5 | similar transactions." | 5 | certification, in the closeout case |
| 6 | Again, if the party has internal models of rates, | 6 | MR DICKER: We say the same test applies in both contexts. |
| 7 | prices, yields, yield curves, volatilities, et cetera, | 7 | ltimately, on the authorities, the constraints are |
| 8 | then that is something it can use to determine loss, | 8 | tionality and good faith. Rationality, in the sense |
| 9 | including in that context cost of funding. | 9 | ess. Neither agreeme |
| 10 | Then, if one just goes down to the last two | 10 | is is common ground -- requires the determining party |
| 11 | paragraphs on the page, the draftsman identifies | 11 | reach what the court considers to be the objectively |
| 12 | procedures, having dealt with information he says: | 12 | correct result. |
| 13 | "Commercially reasonable procedures used in | 13 | MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Not objectively correct, but having |
| 14 | determining a closeout amount may include the | 14 | ported a specific mechanism of commercial |
| 15 | following ..." | 15 | asonability by reference to and with a view to the |
| 16 | Focusing on paragraph (i) | 16 | duction of a commercially reasonable result, you say |
| 17 | "Application to relevant market data from third | 17 | hat the assessment of what is commercially reasonable |
| 18 | parties pursuant to clause (ii) above, or information | 18 | d what is a commercially reasonable result is subject |
| 19 | from internal sources pursuant to clause (iii) above, of | 19 | only to the controls of good faith and irrationality? |
| 20 | pricing or other valuation models that are, at the time | 20 | MR DICKER: Yes, that is what we say one finds from the |
| 21 | of determination of the closeout amount, used by the | 21 | thorities in relation to loss and the closeout amount. |
| 22 | determining party in the regular course of its business | 22 | We say the same equally goes in relation to |
| 23 | in pricing or valuing transactions between the | 23 | certification of the default rate. |
| 24 | ermining party and the unrelated third parties that | 24 | MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Why import these mechanisms if the |
| 25 | are similar to the terminated transaction or group of Page 6 | 25 | only test is going to be irrationality and good faith; Page 8 |

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why spell it out?
MR DICKER: The draftsman didn't spell it out in the context
    of loss in the context of the }1992\mathrm{ agreement. He did go
    further in the context of the 2002 agreement, and one
    can speculate as to why.
        The first point is, these are not -- it makes it
    clear, these are not the only mechanisms you can use,
    "Commercially reasonable procedures in determining may
    include the following ..."
        It may well be that what the draftsman was seeking
        to do was simply to make it plain that, if you did this,
        this is, as it were, presumptively, absent, no doubt,
        some extraordinary factors, would normally be a rational
        and good faith approach to take.
    MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: One is bound to wonder, quite apart
        from the question of certification and the circumstances
        in which the certificate might be challenged, which
        I know is the point we are on, but floating around
        a bit, with apologies, one is bound to wonder whether
        the draftsman, at least in 2002, didn't by then consider
        that if you were to import not an objective test, ie,
        borrowing rate, but a model which was one of many
        models, might be useful, might be accurate, might not
        be, you had to have an express warrant for that.
        Put another way, you wouldn't have an exercise which
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        depended on a model without warrant for it.
MR DICKER: My Lord, we would say -- no-one is suggesting
        the result is different depending on the 1992 and the
        2002 agreement --
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: No.
MR DICKER: -- we say, effectively, whatever one can read
        out of the 2002 agreement so far as the requirements of
        rationality and good faith are concerned can effectively
        be read into that test in the context of the }199
        agreement. You get to the same result.
            If and to the extent the draftsman was saying it
        would be rational and good faith to use a model of this
        sort, and if and to the extent he was saying it would
        not be rational and in good faith to use a different
        model, then we say he achieved the same through the
        umbrella phrase "rational and good faith" in the context
        of the }1992\mathrm{ agreement. So no different outcome.
            What I would stress, so far as the latter
        possibility is concerned -- in other words -- my Lord,
        in our submission, it would be wrong to assume that what
        the draftsman was doing here was saying it would only be
        rational and good faith to use a model if it is a model
        of this sort. One can plainly think of circumstances in
        which using a model which you normally use is not
        actually rational or good faith because the
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circumstances are such it was never intended to apply to
it.
Conversely, in such a situation, it would be
rational and good faith to use a different model. You
don't have an existing model. There is no alternative.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD:Those are very high tests, because
I mean Socimer makes clear that "irrational" in the
context means what used to be called Wednesbury
unreasonableness, ie, bonkers.

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MR DICKER: My Lord, again, one can go through the cases.
    I haven't done so simply because it is one of the issues
    which is actually common ground between the parties.
    But the test is rationality and good faith.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I'm not saying it isn't. You've both
    agreed it isn't reasonableness. It isn't rationality,
    in other words, it is irrationality. It must be free of
    irrationality, ie, it mustn't be bonkers.

MR DICKER: In the Wednesbury sense, according to the authorities.

MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: No reasonable commercial party could reasonably have thought that to be an appropriate way of going about things.
MR DICKER: That's what the authorities say is the test in relation to --
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Rationality.
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MR DICKER: -- loss and closeout amount.
As I emphasised yesterday, one might think that is the big sum with which the termination provisions are concerned. Default rate is simply interest on that sum at an applicable rate.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: That, I understand. That goes tw ways, I suppose. I quite take your point that, if it is common ground, and if it is generally accepted, either one, that this imported the definition of "closeout amount" and what permissibly in assessing it you could take into account, has not under the ground changed between the two versions, so that the latter version is simply an expression of what was always accepted to be implicit in the first. I quite understand that point.
MR DICKER: That is our submission, yes.
My Lord, the next point is this: we say there is a danger in approaching a construction of the default rate with a preconception about how businesses fund themselves. It is an empirical question. It depends on the facts. With respect to your Lordship, there isn't any evidence before the court.

I am told by those behind me that there is published research material, for example, on the extent to which companies fund themselves by way of debt and fund themselves by way of equity and the extent to which

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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline 1 & companies raise equity. None of that information is & 1 & raise money may not translate to hedge funds. They may \\
\hline 2 & before your Lordship & 2 & simply go out to investors and say, "We have got a new \\
\hline 3 & What we do say is, your Lordship should not proceed & 3 & project. Would you like to make an additional \\
\hline 4 & on the basis that debt funding is effectively the norm & 4 & investment?" \\
\hline 5 & and equity funding is in some sense unusual. Because, & 5 & The second point is this: the definition does not \\
\hline 6 & in our respectful submission, that's not supported by & 6 & require you to identify, in our submission, a specific \\
\hline 7 & any information before your Lordship. & 7 & transaction matching the relevant amount. That is why \\
\hline 8 & My instructions are that that is not the case & 8 & we say, no doubt, the words "if it were to fund" were \\
\hline 9 & We say that sort of information shouldn't play & 9 & included, the assumption being that many companies \\
\hline 10 & a role in deciding what the definition of "default rate" & 10 & wouldn't have transaction-specific funding, wouldn't go \\
\hline 11 & did. If your Lordship thought it necessary to have that & 11 & out and obtain matched funding, in the same way as \\
\hline 12 & information, then obviously it would need to be & 12 & entities can hedge themselves on a global basis. \\
\hline 13 & provided. & 13 & Similarly, it may well be efficient and they may well \\
\hline 14 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: It is a salutary warning which I will & 14 & fund themselves on a global basis. Then it is \\
\hline 15 & take. I realise that there are very many ways in which & 15 & necessarily a question of trying to break down the costs \\
\hline 16 & people can obtain what they need. Generally, and you & 16 & of the whole and attribute them to the relevant part. \\
\hline 17 & may say I should rid this of my thought process also & 17 & My Lord, the next point. Cost of equity is, as \\
\hline 18 & instin & 18 & your Lordship knows, we submit, a cost of funding. That \\
\hline 19 & enterprise funding and "borrowing" with project-specific & 19 & indeed is what Mr Justice Cooke said in terms in the \\
\hline 20 & funding, or at least one would very rarely see equity & 20 & extract from the Gul Bottlers case that I showed \\
\hline 21 & funding for individual transaction unless it is a sort & 21 & your Lordship yesterday. \\
\hline 22 & of whopping, what used to be called superclass 1 typ & 22 & We also submitted that cost of capital, including \\
\hline 23 & transaction. You may say that that also is something & 23 & the cost of equity, is a metric that a CFO of \\
\hline 24 & ouldn't assum & 24 & a financial institution will be aware of. What \\
\hline 25 & MR DICKER: My Lord, yes, we do submit that. Both, in fact, Page 13 & 25 & I offered to show your Lordship yesterday was a little Page 15 \\
\hline 1 & in an English context, but obviously & 1 & extract in relation to CAPM, and that's what I was \\
\hline 2 & account the range of parties who may be parties & 2 & proposing to do now. My learned friends have seen \\
\hline 3 & master agreements. & 3 & a copy of the extract I am going to show your Lordship \\
\hline 4 & There is a danger, in our submission, of construin & 4 & and they are content for me to refer your Lordship to \\
\hline 5 & the default rate through or by reference to & 5 & it. \\
\hline 6 & a traditional English company, whether liste & 6 & I think your Lordship should have it in authorities \\
\hline 7 & otherwise. Lots of the parties to derivative agreements & 7 & bundle 4A at tab 139A. My Lord, it is from a book \\
\hline 8 & are not companies of that sort. & 8 & called "The Real Cost of Capital" by Mr Ogier, Mr Rugman \\
\hline 9 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I'm not doing that. I'm just & 9 & and Ms Spicer. One sees that from the first page. Just \\
\hline 10 & thinking -- I'm not thinking nationally. I am simply & 10 & to identify who they are and how the book was put \\
\hline 11 & thinking of the usual badges of equity funding, albeit & 11 & together, there is an author's acknowledgement on the \\
\hline 12 & that you can obviously equity fund through a fairly & 12 & next page, the second paragraph: \\
\hline 13 & short-term preference issue, if you wish to, or & 13 & "The idea of writing a book on the cost of capital \\
\hline 14 & a convertible one, or whatever it is -- millions of & 14 & stemmed from a global cost of capital initially from \\
\hline 15 & combinations of these, I entirely accept that. But one & 15 & which the authors were heavily involved at \\
\hline 16 & normally associates it with enterprise funding rath & 16 & PricewaterhouseCoopers or, rather, Price Waterhouse as \\
\hline 17 & than transactional funding. But I make that point to b & 17 & it then was." \\
\hline 18 & fair and open for you to ward me off my worries in th & 18 & At the beginning of the next paragraph: \\
\hline 19 & regard. It isn't by reference to anything in & 19 & "Our work benefited from the enthusiasm of a large \\
\hline 20 & Companies Act or any particular English experience. & 20 & group of PwC people from across the world. The sun \\
\hline 21 & MR DICKER: My Lord, again, we would respectfully warn & 21 & truly never sets on the PwC cost of capital empire." \\
\hline 22 & your Lordship off that. & 22 & Then the penultimate paragraph on that page: \\
\hline 23 & Two points. First of all, entities fund themselves & 23 & "Thanks also go to the financial economists from \\
\hline 24 & in different ways. Take, for example, a hedge fund & 24 & around the academic world who kindly agreed to review \\
\hline 25 & Assumptions your Lordship may make about how companies & 25 & the fruits of the initiatives, labour and helped us in \\
\hline & Page 14 & & Page 16 \\
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\end{tabular}
our workshop."
And they are identified. Then what we have extracted is chapter 1, "Risk and return revisited". My Lord, it is worth reading all of the first eight pages, but if I can perhaps direct your Lordship's attention to particular passages at this stage. Under the heading "Introduction" on page 2 :
"The primary focus of this book is a practical not theoretical one. Attempts to set out as clearly and non-technically as possible what practitioners need to know about the cost of capital based on the knowledge of cutting-edge academic, corporate and advisory practice. This is as it should be, the understanding of the cost of capital is of fundamental importance in taking key business decisions."

Then if your Lordship goes to page 4, under the heading "Towards the definition of the cost of capital", "Why cost of capital matters", in the middle of the page:
"There can be little doubt the cost of capital is an extremely important business and financial tool. It is used in corporate business models to help determine company valuation and shape corporate strategy. Governments use estimates of the cost of capital to regulate prices charged by some industries. Most Page 17
importantly, the cost of capital is used by companies, individuals and governments to help them take decisions regarding investment."

Then, at the bottom of the page, the heading "What is capital?":
"Normally, when economists refer to capital they are referring to real, physical assets."

The next paragraph:
"This is not the definition of capital applied by financial economists and other practitioners when they refer to the cost of capital. In this context the capital refers to the financial resources or funds that businesses, individuals or governments need in order to pursue a business enterprise or implement an investment project. It is essentially a monetary rather then a physical concept."

Next heading, towards the bottom of page 5, "What is the cost of capital":
"Having concluded that the appropriate definition of 'capital' in the context of this book is a monetary one, meaning financial resources which must be committed to an enterprise or project with a delayed payback, it is now appropriate to consider what is meant by the cost of this capital. Ignoring for the time being some of the more complex ways in which companies raise finance,
there are essentially two forms of capital ..."
They are identified. Firstly, debt and then over the page, equity.

The heading "Cost of debt", which I think I can pass over, is followed by a heading, "Why is there a cost of equity?"

The authors say:
"The remuneration of equity, however, introduces far more complexity. Companies do not commit themselves to paying a certain level of dividends, share prices can fall as well as go up. There is, therefore, no clearly defined contractual cost of raising capital through issuing equity, the most common source of capital for companies. But while the payments that companies must make to shareholders are not contractually defined, that does not mean that equity finance is free. Indeed, because the payments that equity investors receive are not determined on a contractual basis, because equity investors receive payments only after debt payments have been made, equity finance is more expensive than debt finance. Companies need to reward equity investors for bearing a higher level of risk than debt investors."

Then the heading "How is the cost of equity determined?":
"If there is no contractual arrangement between Page 19
a company and its equity investors regarding the level at which the firm remunerates the providers of equity capital, how is the cost of this type of capital determined? It seems at first glance odd even to refer to this as a cost, when it is clear there are real-world examples where companies far from paying equity investors for the use of their capital have actually given them negative returns."

They say over the page:
"Two elements to the explanation of this apparent mystery. The first element concerns the economic concept of opportunity cost."

If your Lordship just goes to the last sentence in that section, under that heading:
"This latter concept is the equity investor's opportunity cost of capital, it is this return which provides a floor on the expected return which the equity investment must yield."

Then:
"Expected versus actual returns brings us onto the second element in deriving the cost of equity defined in terms of expected or required returns on investment, not actual or achieved returns."

Finally, on page 8, there is a heading "Weighted average cost of capital":

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"There is thus a cost to a business in obtaining capital for debt, this cost is defined in terms of payments the company must honour contractually. For equity the business must offer the expectation the returns on its equity will be as good as those available from other opportunities and over time it must achieve these returns."

Then the standard formula -- or the formula for WACC is identified. Your Lordship will see the first item in the equation is KE, cost of equity.

My Lord, the chapter continues to deal with certain other issues in relation to cost of capital, including cost of equity. I wasn't proposing to refer your Lordship to anything there.

There are also chapters -- we haven't provided your Lordship with lengthy chapters on the operation of CAPM and potential issues in relation to CAPM and issues like the optimal capital structure. My Lord, it didn't seem appropriate to provide your Lordship with those. That seemed to be straying into the area of expert evidence for which there is obviously no direction.

My Lord, what we do say your Lordship gets out of those extracts which I have showed your Lordship is a clear series of statements that there is a cost to equity. It is something which matters, and it is Page 21
something which can be measured.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: It is that last bit which is the most
difficult. I quite accept that if you are trying to get money out of people, you have to pay them for it. It doesn't matter whether you are getting the money for shares or simply borrowing. I quite accept that.

My worry is that, whereas borrowing is ultimately founded in some contractually ascertainable amount, cost of funding is an assessment of expectation, as it is put there, and the measurement of the assessment of expectation seems to me variable, to depend on models and to be of a rather different order in terms of its complexity. That is my worry.
MR DICKER: My Lord, we would accept, plainly, that measuring the cost of equity is more complicated than measuring the cost of straightforward borrowing.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: It has no footing in any contract, by definition.
MR DICKER: But what we would say is, the level of complexity in measuring cost of equity is no different from the complexities which may arise in other valuations which plainly have to be carried out, for example, on a closeout, valuing a derivative. It may be fantastically difficult to estimate what the future performance of the derivative would have been.

MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I agree, and I think that is why
whether by implication in 1992 or by express words in 2002, the draftsman had in mind commercially reasonable models, and actually gave a mandate for that model rather than contractual assessment.
MR DICKER: One goes back, then, we say, to the 1992 agreement. We say, whatever the parameters of good faith and rationality are for the 2002 agreement as spelt out, one can proceed on the basis, if that is what we are talking about, similar limitations apply in relation to assessments of loss under the 1992 agreement, and we say, if again we are talking about the permissible ambit of rationality and good faith, that would equally translate to the same test in the context of the default rate.

There are plainly measurement issues here. The question is: how did the draftsman seek to address them?

Did he seek to address them by saying, "I have to ensure that the right answer is reached, even if it requires proceedings of this sort, determination by the court as to precisely what is permitted or what isn't, an assessment of what was done", or did he want a different mechanism, one might say more likely to achieve certainty and finality, certainly absent litigation. We say plainly the latter, not the former. Page 23

Those points apply, we say, just as much to the default rate as they do to the approach the draftsman took in relation to closeout amount in the 2002 agreement and loss in the 1992 agreement.

Put another way, there is no reason why he would suddenly have thought in the context of the default rate, say in the 1992 agreement:
"Right, at this stage, I am really concerned about the way in which the rationality and good faith standard may operate. I have to do something different. What I propose to do is require the court to construe down [as we would put it] the broad words I have used and make sure that rationality and good faith only operate within that narrowed-down envelope."

My Lord, that is all I was going to say, picking up threads from yesterday. There was one specific point that I sought to make yesterday but didn't, and that concerned, if your Lordship recalls, section 9.9 of the credit derivatives definition. I managed to lose the relevant --
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Oh, yes, I remember. MR DICKER: If your Lordship goes to bundle 5, tab 9, there is a copy of the 2003 credit derivatives definitions.
The relevant section is on page 377 , section 9.9.
I took your Lordship to it yesterday. Just to identify
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline 1 & the point, 9.9 has a side heading "Buy-in of bonds not & 1 & visers, if those are also required to enable it to get \\
\hline 2 & delivered": & 2 & the funding \\
\hline 3 & 'At any time after the date that is five business & 3 & any sensible sense, we say that forms part of \\
\hline 4 & days after the physical settlement date if buyer has not & 4 & the cost of funding \\
\hline 5 & delivered any deliverable obligations specified in the & 5 & is all I was going to say in relation to suc \\
\hline 6 & notice of physical settlement that are bonds, seller may & 6 & fees and expenses at this stage \\
\hline 7 & exercise a right to close out all or a portion of & 7 & My Lord, can I then finish question 11 just by \\
\hline 8 & the credit derivative transaction by the purchas & 8 & tions raised \\
\hline 9 & such bonds under the terms of this section 9.9, which is & 9 & Lordship turns up the application, it is in core \\
\hline 10 & called a buy & 10 & undle tab 1, page 5, question 11. Question 11 asks, is \\
\hline 11 & The relevant two sentences are over the page, 378, & 11 & the phrase capabl \\
\hline 12 & the first paragraph & 12 & actual or asserted cost to \\
\hline 13 & "On the buy-in date, seller shall attempt to obtai & 13 & payee to fund or of funding the relevant amount by \\
\hline 14 & from five or more dealers firm quotations for the sale, & 14 & bor \\
\hline 15 & buy-in offers, of the specified outstanding princip & 15 & e say, along with everyone else, the answer to that \\
\hline 16 & balance of the relevant bonds. The lowest buy-in offer, & 16 & is "ye \\
\hline 17 & or if seller obtains only one buy-in offer, such buy-in & 17 & uestion 2: \\
\hline 18 & offer for the outstanding principal balanc & 18 & "[Is it capable of including the] \\
\hline 19 & the re & 19 & relevant payee of raising money ... by whatever means, \\
\hline 20 & This is an example of a & 20 & including any cost of raising shareholder funding?" \\
\hline 21 & say, market quotation, the draftsman has decided to & 21 & hat \\
\hline 22 & require the party to use the lowest price and has done & 22 & Question 3 raises a slightly different point. It \\
\hline 23 & so expressly and in terms. & 23 & is: \\
\hline 24 & My Lord, the final topic, and it is a shor & 24 & "[Whether it is capable of including] the actual or \\
\hline 25 & relation to question 11, concerns ancillary costs, Page 25 & 25 & asserted cost to the relevant payee to fund or of Page 27 \\
\hline 1 & \multirow[t]{2}{*}{professional expenses, other charges, things other than the headline interest rate.} & 1 & funding and/or carrying on its balance sheet an asset \\
\hline 2 & & 2 & d/or any profits and/or losses incurred in relation to \\
\hline 3 & As your Lordship knows, we say the relevant payee is & 3 & the value of the asset, including any impact on the cost \\
\hline 4 & \multirow[t]{2}{*}{entitled to the cost of plugging the gap, and if in obtaining funding to plug that gap he has incurred costs} & 4 & borrowings and/or its equity capital in light of \\
\hline 5 & & 5 & the nature and riskiness of that asset? \\
\hline 6 & not merely in respect of an interest rate which he has & 6 & ssentially, one is asking: can you take into \\
\hline 7 & to pay, otherwise he is entitled to recover those costs & 7 & account the fact that on the relevant payee's balance \\
\hline 8 & as well. & 8 & is a defaulted receivable when calculating cost of \\
\hline 9 & Wentworth's response, as we understand it, is to & 9 & nding? We say the answer to that is, plainly, "yes" \\
\hline 10 & say, "Well, those aren't costs of funding. Those are & 10 & or the simple reason that any lender or other funder \\
\hline 11 & costs of some separate, independent transaction". That & 11 & eciding whether or not to fund and what to charge for \\
\hline 12 & is the phrase they use. We say that is an unreal & 12 & ess of \\
\hline 13 & categorisation. If you have to pay a sum realistically & 13 & e business. If on the relevant payee's balance sheet \\
\hline 14 & to be able to obtain funding, then that is a cost of & 14 & here is a large defaulted receivable, then that is \\
\hline 15 & funding for these purposes. You can't obtain it & 15 & fficient to have an impact on the lender's perception \\
\hline 16 & otherwise. & 16 & nder's perception of risk, then that is something \\
\hline 17 & It is particularly unreal where the cost is & 17 & will no doubt take into account, and the consequences \\
\hline 18 & a separate charge made by the person providing the & 18 & it doing so is therefore something that will be \\
\hline 19 & funding. Take, for example, a bank which insists on & 19 & reflected in cost of funding. \\
\hline 20 & payment of its legal fees or requires other charges to & 20 & uestion 4 I think, as your Lordship observed in \\
\hline 21 & be made, the argument that those fees don't constitute & 21 & pening, no-one is now conte \\
\hline 22 & part of the cost of funding, my Lord, must be wrong. We & 22 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Is that an additional thing? I'm so \\
\hline 23 & say there is no real distinction between that situation & 23 & sorry to interrupt. Is that an additional fact? \\
\hline 24 & and the payment of similar fees, not necessarily to the & 24 & I mean, will the WACC calculation take that into \\
\hline 25 & bank's legal advisers, but to the party's own legal & 25 & account? \\
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MR DICKER: My Lord, my understanding is the answer is, yes.
There is an issue -- as I understand it, Wentworth
contend that WACC is by reference to historical
information. If that were right, then depending on the
extent to which the information is historic, it might
not.
My Lord, our submission is that is incorrect. This
aspect -- if you look at what an entity's cost of
funding is, you are looking at its cost of funding as at
a particular date or period. If, as at that date, or
during that period, it has a defaulted receivable on its
balance sheet, that will have an impact on the
willingness or price at which people are prepared to
provide funds to it.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD:This would be subsumed, on your model
within WACC?
MR DICKER: Yes, as I understand it.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD:So the answer -- if WACC is the chosen
model, the answer is "no", if you see what I mean? How
do we squeeze out double counting?
MR DICKER:Through the rational and good faith
certification.
I take your Lordship's point. We are obviously not
seeking, as it were, to get your Lordship to produce
declarations which entitle parties to double counting.
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    stage is, cost of funding reflects the financial
    position of the entity, including the fact it has
    a defaulted receivable on its balance sheet. If and to
    the extent that is taken into account in WACC, as in my
    submission it is, then this isn't a separate cost --
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    someone with money to equity fund, then the expectation
    of dividend or return that you would have to be promised
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    company's balance sheet.
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11(4):
"Is it capable of taking into account the actual or asserted costs of the relevant payee to fund or of funding a claim against ..."
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: You're all agreed on this?
MR DICKER: We're all agreed. Just so your Lordship knows and understands how this arose and the arguments that related to it, to the extent your Lordship needs to, I don't know whether your Lordship looked at the witness statement of Mr McKee in the core bundle, but he set out, at Mr Justice David Richards's request, two possible bases on which cost of funding could be calculated.

One of them was called "The first basis". That involved what can be referred to as a sort of coerced loan theory. The logic was essentially that you can treat the relevant payee as if it has effectively been forced to lend LBIE the unpaid amount, and to assess its cost of funding, you ought, therefore, to assess the cost essentially of obtaining funding to make such a loan to LBIE.

That approach, as your Lordship knows, isn't one for which we are contending any longer on this matter. There was a discussion in Mr McKee's witness statement Page 31
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline 1 & relation to those three examples so far as the second & 1 & We say -- again, subject to the same caveat about \\
\hline 2 & basis is concerned, which is essentially a WACC & 2 & "yes" or "no" answers -- it is in this case the forme \\
\hline 3 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I have it. Thank you very much. & 3 & clude the incremental cost to the relevant payee of \\
\hline 4 & MR DICKER: My Lord, & 4 & urring additional debt. The reason is, one goes back \\
\hline 5 & I can deal fairly quickly with questions 12,13 and & 5 & to the starting point: relevant payee has to assess cost \\
\hline 6 & 14. & 6 & it were to raise or has raised the releva \\
\hline 7 & My L & 7 & unt. Therefore, it requires the relevant payee to \\
\hline 8 & relation to cost of borrowing. Just before dealing w & 8 & assess its incremental cost of funding, ie, this \\
\hline 9 & each of subparagraphs 1 through to 4, we would again & 9 & additional amount, relevant amount. \\
\hline 10 & emphasise there is a danger in assuming the answer to & 10 & There may, of course, be different ways in which \\
\hline 11 & each of these questions is necessarily "yes" or "no", & 11 & can do so. It may, for example, do so by reference to \\
\hline 12 & opposed to "well, it may depend". But recognising that, & 12 & the coupon that would be charged to it over the relevant \\
\hline 13 & ques & 13 & riod together with any other charges, or it may be \\
\hline 14 & "Should such borrowing be assumed to have recourse & 14 & le to do so by reference to the average cost of all \\
\hline 15 & solely to the relevant payee's claim aga & 15 & its borrowings, where it determines that its average \\
\hline 16 & the rest of the relevant payee's unencum & 16 & cost of debt is equivalent to the incremental cost of \\
\hline 17 & My Lord, I think in opening Mr Trower said that this & 17 & curring additional debt. My Lord, again, this is all \\
\hline 18 & was agreed and that it was to be assessed by reference & 18 & part of good faith and rational determination. \\
\hline 19 & to the rest of the relevant payee's unencumbered assets. & 19 & there is a proxy that it thinks would rationally \\
\hline 20 & I think, in substance, that is broadly correct. & 20 & d in good faith produce the relevant figure, then it \\
\hline 21 & is important to appreciate, in our submission, & 21 & is entitled to use that. \\
\hline 22 & My Lord, what we do say is that a relevant payee & 22 & Obviously, we say it is entit \\
\hline 23 & funds the amount with debt funding but has resource & 23 & erence to its weighted average cost of cap \\
\hline 24 & the whole of its unencumbered assets is likely to be & 24 & milar circumstances where it determines that it would \\
\hline 25 & acting rationally and in good faith and he is Page 33 & 25 & have funded by a mixture of debt and equity. Page 35 \\
\hline 1 & undoubtedly likely to find it hard & 1 & y Lord, one point that may be worth making here is \\
\hline 2 & by reference only & 2 & , in many cases, the use of proxies along tho \\
\hline 3 & There may be exceptional or unusual cases in which & 3 & nes may, if anything, understate rather than overstate \\
\hline 4 & that is not the case. For example, if he actually has & 4 & the cost of funding. \\
\hline 5 & no other unencumbered assets, no assets which, f & 5 & The incremental cost of funding -- in other words, \\
\hline 6 & whatever reason, it would be rational and good faith for & 6 & curring -- is, by \\
\hline 7 & him to & 7 & definition, in most cases, likely to be more expensive \\
\hline 8 & My Lord, broadly, we say the answer is likely to be & 8 & than your existing debt, if only because it is \\
\hline 9 & the second, to the rest of the relevant payee's & 9 & increasing your leverage and you're putting the company \\
\hline 10 & unencumbered assets, but this isn't one of those ones & 10 & o a more risky position than previous lenders would \\
\hline 11 & which as a matter of logic we say can only be the & 11 & have faced. \\
\hline 12 & latter & 12 & ord, again, we say, if the relevant payee \\
\hline 13 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: You say it mustn't artificially & 13 & determines that, for example, its weighted average cost \\
\hline 14 & restri & 14 & of capital or its average cost of borrowings is \\
\hline 15 & MR DICKER: Yes. To put it another way, if he does restrict & 15 & a sufficiently accurate indication of that, albeit in \\
\hline 16 & it to that asset and provides rational and good faith & 16 & some cases potentially slightly lower, it can use that. \\
\hline 17 & reasons as to why, and they are indeed rational and good & 17 & Lord, 12(3) -- \\
\hline 18 & faith, then that is sufficient. & 18 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: The exercise then would be -- I'm \\
\hline 19 & My Lord, 12(2) asks: & 19 & rried I haven't captured this -- to, for example, do \\
\hline 20 & "If it is to the rest of the relevant payee's & 20 & WACC calculation without this hanging on your \\
\hline 21 & unencumbered assets, should the cost of funding include & 21 & ance sheet and without the need to plug that gap, and \\
\hline 22 & the incremental costs to the relevant payee of incurring & 22 & n to do it with that need and the difference is your \\
\hline 23 & additional debt against his existing asset base or & 23 & claim? \\
\hline 24 & should it include the weighted average cost on all its & 24 & MR DICKER: Yes. \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{25} & borrowings?" & 25 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: In that regard. \\
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\hline 1 & MR DICKER: Yes. & 1 & funding and acted rationally and in good faith in doing \\
\hline 2 & My Lord, 12(3): & 2 & so, the position is obviously straightforward: one \\
\hline 3 & "Should such cost include any impact on the cost of & 3 & simply looks at the cost of funding it actually \\
\hline 4 & the relevant payee's equity capital attributable to such & 4 & obtained \\
\hline 5 & borrowing?" & 5 & Where the relevant payee did not raise funding, it \\
\hline 6 & My Lord, we say that is also a cost which can be & 6 & is required to make a rational and good faith \\
\hline 7 & taken into account. Can I just illustrate with a very & 7 & determination of the funding that it would have used, \\
\hline 8 & simple example why there is a cost here, albeit & 8 & and then make a determination of the cost of such \\
\hline 9 & measuring it may raise the same issues as any cost of & 9 & fun \\
\hline 10 & equity may raise. & 10 & one just walks through various possible things it \\
\hline 11 & If your Lordship imagines the debt owed by in this & 11 & might have done, one thing it might have done following \\
\hline 12 & case LBIE was a substantial asset on the balance sheet & 12 & the early termination date was to say, "I'm going to \\
\hline 13 & of the relevant payee & 13 & fund this on an overnight basis \\
\hline 14 & follows that the relevant payee will have to borrow & 14 & If that is the decision essentially for the first \\
\hline 15 & a substantial sum of money, equal to the amount & 15 & day, a further question then arises on the second day, \\
\hline 16 & the unpaid debt, which will substantially increase its & 16 & "What would it have done then?" \\
\hline 17 & leverage & 17 & Assume that it would have funded on an overnight \\
\hline 18 & That has two consequences. & 18 & basis throughout, one is effectively then looking at \\
\hline 19 & the cost of any further borrowing which it wishes to & 19 & calculating its cost of funding by reference to or on \\
\hline 20 & make. It will also increase its cost of equity, in th & 20 & a fluctuating basis, taking into account any changes in \\
\hline 21 & sense that any person considering whether or not to & 21 & the relevant circumstances. That is because the way in \\
\hline 22 & provide equity will want more for providing equity to & 22 & hich it chose to fund itself was a fluctuating basis. \\
\hline 23 & this newly higher leveraged entity than it would have & 23 & The way in which it would have chosen to fund itself was \\
\hline 24 & charged previously. & 24 & on a fluctuating basis. That is one possibility. \\
\hline 25 & We say, again, subject only to the same issues in Page 37 & 25 & Another possibility is that the relevant payee says, Page 39 \\
\hline 1 & relation to measurement of the cost, & 1 & well \\
\hline 2 & as much a cost of funding which the relevant payee is & 2 & ing with things. The sensible course is for me to \\
\hline 3 & entitled to take into account. & 3 & ke out term funding, and it either does so or would \\
\hline 4 & 12(4) I think Mr Trower said is agreed. My Lor & 4 & have done so, for a period. In that situation, if that \\
\hline 5 & that is certainly right, so far as the Senior Credi & 5 & is what it rationally and in good faith did or would \\
\hline 6 & Group is concerned. Costs may, & 6 & have done, then you are not, as it were, looking at \\
\hline 7 & circumstances, be capable of being calculated in any & 7 & anything that happened thereafter during the life of \\
\hline 8 & the three ways identified in 12(4) & 8 & the term of the funding. It has acquired funding on \\
\hline 9 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: So any of? & 9 & particular terms, and that is then its cost of funding \\
\hline 10 & MR DICKER: & 10 & for \\
\hline 11 & 13: & 11 & e say this is actually quite a difficult question \\
\hline 12 & "Whether the cost of funding should be calculate & 12 & for your Lordship to answer, and an impossible question \\
\hline 13 & (1), by reference to the relevant payee's circumstances & 13 & for your Lordship to answer if you're essentially being \\
\hline 14 & on a particular date, or, (2), on a fluctuating basis, & 14 & required to choose between the two options, because \\
\hline 15 & taking into account any changes in the relevant & 15 & ay be circumstances in which the first is \\
\hline 16 & circumstances, and, if so, whether the benefit of & 16 & tional, satisfies the rationality and good faith \\
\hline 17 & hindsight applies when taking into account such changes, & 17 & approach; alternatively, there may be circumstances in \\
\hline 18 & in each case whether or not taking into account relevant & 18 & which the second does so. \\
\hline 19 & market conditions." & 19 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Your answer is the one -- the \\
\hline 20 & So do you calculate it by reference to particular & 20 & certification. \\
\hline 21 & circumstances on a particular date, or on a fluctuating & 21 & MR DICKER: We come back to that, because we say that is, i \\
\hline 22 & basis? My Lord, we say this really is a question to & 22 & very simple terms, how the draftsman intended this to \\
\hline 23 & which there is no "yes" or "no" answer. This is & 23 & operate. He did not intend issues like 13 to have to be \\
\hline 24 & essentially a false choice, because it all depends. & 24 & resolved, if necessary, by the court before a party was \\
\hline 25 & Now, where the relevant payee did actually obtain Page 38 & 25 & \begin{tabular}{l}
properly in a position to certify its cost of funding. \\
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\hline 1 & He certainly didn't, we say, intend the court to have to & 1 & keep an employee monitoring what was going on to achieve \\
\hline 2 & choose between the two options and to identify which he & 2 & this, we say is not something the draftsman intended \\
\hline 3 & notionally intended and which he did not & 3 & My Lord, that is all I wanted to say in relation to \\
\hline 4 & There is a connected point. Wentworth initially & 4 & 13. \\
\hline 5 & contended that the relevant payee could only certify the & 5 & Two minutes in relation to question 14. I said it \\
\hline 6 & default rate at the end of & 6 & is common ground a certification is conclusive unless it \\
\hline 7 & must be calculated on a fluctuating basis. Wentworth's & 7 & can be shown to be irrational or in bad faith. There \\
\hline 8 & model is, you have an early termination date. The & 8 & is, as my learned friend Mr Trower I think indicated, \\
\hline 9 & relevant payee is required to calculate cost of funding. & 9 & e small issue as to the formulation of any declaration \\
\hline 10 & But it must, Wentworth initially said, do so on the last & 10 & in this respect or any direction. It concerns whether \\
\hline 11 & date and must do so on a fluctuating basis. That was & 11 & you include the additional words "manifest error". \\
\hline 12 & the on & 12 & My Lord, we say, if one looks at the authorities, the \\
\hline 13 & As we understand it, Wentworth's position has & 13 & hrase used is couched in terms of rationality and good \\
\hline 14 & changed, in that it now appears to contend & 14 & faith. To the extent "manifest error" leads to \\
\hline 15 & "Well, you can provide ongoing certificates, but, & 15 & irrationality or bad faith, then it is encompassed. It \\
\hline 16 & nevertheless, it's the last one that essentially & 16 & fit is \\
\hline 17 & matters, and the last one has to be done on & 17 & suggested it means something different, then we would \\
\hline 18 & a fluctua & 18 & say it is incorrect and shouldn't be included. \\
\hline 19 & I have already dealt with the fluctuating versu & 19 & As we understand it, I don't think anyone is \\
\hline 20 & fixed point, but I need to deal shortly with the & 20 & uggesting it is in fact intended to spell out something \\
\hline 21 & suggestion that you either have one certification at the & 21 & different, and if that is the case, in our submission, \\
\hline 22 & end of the date or a series of certifications, of which & 22 & ur Lordship should stick with the normal formulation, \\
\hline 23 & the only one that matte & 23 & h is simply in terms of rationality and good faith. \\
\hline 24 & We say there is no support for either of those & 24 & My Lord, that is all on 14 \\
\hline 25 & contentions. There is certainly no support for any
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\] & 25 & I have one more question to answer, or to address, Page 43 \\
\hline 1 & suggesti & 1 & hich \\
\hline 2 & the end of \(t\) & 2 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: That's the payee point. \\
\hline 3 & intended, he no doubt would have specified that. & 3 & MR DICKER: -- which will take me a little time. I wonder \\
\hline 4 & other contexts, he did say when a & 4 & whether this might be a convenient mome \\
\hline 5 & certification was required. He said, for example, & 5 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes. Five minutes, we will say \\
\hline 6 & relation to & 6 & (11.47 am) \\
\hline 7 & '... on the early termina & 7 & (A short break) \\
\hline 8 & thereafter as reasonably practicable.' & 8 & (11.53 am) \\
\hline 9 & He doesn't take that approach in this situatio & 9 & MR DICKER: My Lord, question 10 is concerned with the \\
\hline 10 & Nor, we say, is there any support for essentially & 10 & position in the event that one party assigns its righ \\
\hline 11 & requiring or even permitting the re & 11 & nder a master agreement. The issue arises because of \\
\hline 12 & certify from time to time but only on the basis it is & 12 & e use of the words "the relevant payee" in the \\
\hline 13 & the last certificate that matters. My Lord, that would & 13 & definition of default rate. \\
\hline 14 & require the relevant payee essentially to continue to & 14 & ere are two ways in which those words can be \\
\hline 15 & monitor what was going on, potentially to provide & 15 & construed. The first is to construe them as referring \\
\hline 16 & ongoing certificates of its cost of funding, eventually & 16 & solely to the contractual counterparties. That's the \\
\hline 17 & to certify what its final cost of funding had been. & 17 & onstruction for which Wentworth contends. If that is \\
\hline 18 & My Lord, we say that is certainly inconsistent with & 18 & e case, then the assignee needs to certify the cost of \\
\hline 19 & the simple approach taken by the master agreement, which & 19 & funding of the original contractual counterparty for the \\
\hline 20 & permits a party to say, "Rationally & 20 & purpose \\
\hline 21 & this is the form of funding that I have taken and it is & 21 & e second is to construe them as referring to \\
\hline 22 & a form of funding which is effectively fixed", or "This & 22 & homever is entitled to receive the relevant amount from \\
\hline 23 & is a form of funding which I would have taken and it is & 23 & time to time. That's the construction, as your Lordship \\
\hline 24 & fixed", and that's the end of it & 24 & knows, for which the Senior Creditor Group contends. \\
\hline 25 & The suggestion the relevant party effectively has to Page 42 & 25 & What that would mean is that, for the period up to the Page 44 \\
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\hline 1 & assignment, the relevant cost of funding is the cost of & 1 & "relevant payee". Those words are not defined by the \\
\hline 2 & funding of the assignor, and from the date of & 2 & master agreement. We say, as a matter of ordinary \\
\hline 3 & assignment, the cost of funding is the cost of funding & 3 & language, they refer to the person who was entitled to \\
\hline 4 & of the assignee. In other words, you are looking at who & 4 & receive payment of the relevant amount from time to \\
\hline 5 & at the relevant time was entitled to be paid the & 5 & time. That's simply because the ordinary meaning of \\
\hline 6 & relevant amount & 6 & "payee" is a person to whom payment is or is to be made, \\
\hline 7 & I should start by showing your Lordship the transfer & 7 & and the ordinary meaning of "relevant" suggests there \\
\hline 8 & and assignment provisions before making our submissions & 8 & ay be two or more potential payees and it is necessary \\
\hline 9 & on what "relevant payee" means. If your Lordship & 9 & to identify the relevant one. \\
\hline 10 & therefore takes up the core bundle at tab 7, & 10 & first thing, in our submission, your Lordship \\
\hline 11 & your Lordship will find the transfer provisions for the & 11 & should note is the draftsman has used the word "payee" \\
\hline 12 & 1992 ag & 12 & and not "party". There are three other sets of \\
\hline 13 & "Subject to section 6(b)(ii), neither this agreement & 13 & ons I should show your Lordship where, in \\
\hline 14 & nor any interest or obligation in or under this & 14 & contrast, the draftsman has used the word "party". The \\
\hline 15 & agreement may be transferred. & 15 & st of those is in relation to the termination rate. \\
\hline 16 & There is a general prohibition on transfer, excep & 16 & If your Lordship takes, again, the 1992 agreement, \\
\hline 17 & that (a) and (b). (a) is concerned with consolidations, & 17 & tab 7, pag \\
\hline 18 & amalgamations and mergers, and (b), which is the & 18 & ermination rate means a rate per annum equal to \\
\hline 19 & relevant one for present purposes, provides that: & 19 & the arithmetic mean of the cost, without proof or \\
\hline 20 & "A party may make such a transfer of all or an & 20 & evidence of any actual cost to each party as certified \\
\hline 21 & of its interest in any amount payable to it from & 21 & party if it were to fund or of funding such \\
\hline 22 & a defaulting party under section 6(e)." & 22 & amounts." \\
\hline 23 & Two points to note in relation to section 7(b) & 23 & There are some obvious similarities with the \\
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25 & is only concerned with payments under section 6(e), in & \[
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\] & definition of "default rate", in particular the use of \\
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other words, the termination amount, and it is only \\
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\end{tabular} & 25 & the concept of cost "if it were to fund or of funding". Page 47 \\
\hline 1 & concerned with such payments to the extent that they are & 1 & One difference is that in this context -- I will come \\
\hline 2 & payable from a defaulting party. We are dealing & 2 & back to this -- the draftsman used the word "party" \\
\hline 3 & one situation in which there is a closeout amoun & 3 & rather than "payee". He also said it is each party, \\
\hline 4 & payable by a defaulting party to a non-defaulting party. & 4 & because essentially you need an arithmetic mean of \\
\hline 5 & The 2002 agreement is in similar terms. If & 5 & the two. That is the first, termination rate. \\
\hline 6 & your Lordship goes to tab 8, section 7 , the transfer & 6 & e second is the non-default rate. If \\
\hline 7 & provision is on page 185. There is one change th & 7 & your Lordship just goes back one page in the 1992 \\
\hline 8 & I should identify, and I will come back to in due & 8 & agreement, page 16 \\
\hline 9 & course. It is in section 7(b), after the statemen & 9 & fault rate means a rate per annum equal \\
\hline 10 & that, "A party may make such a transfer of all or any & 10 & the cost without proof or evidence of any actual cost to \\
\hline 11 & part of its interest and any termination amount payable & 11 & the non-defaulting party as certified by it if it were \\
\hline 12 & to it by a defaulting party". & 12 & to fund the relevant amount." \\
\hline 13 & The 2002 agreement then adds: & 13 & Again, the draftsman hasn't used the word "payee", \\
\hline 14 & "... together with any amounts payable on or with & 14 & he's used the phrase "non-defaulting party". \\
\hline 15 & respect to that interest and any other rights associated & 15 & The same point again can be made in relation to the \\
\hline 16 & with that interest pursuant to sections \(8,9(\mathrm{~h})\) and 11." & 16 & 2002 agreement, although, as your Lordship knows, what \\
\hline 17 & There was, at one stage, I think, an issue about & 17 & constitutes the non-default rate has changed. If \\
\hline 18 & whether, given the absence of those words, it was & 18 & your Lordship goes on, tab 8, page 195. The definition \\
\hline 19 & permitted to transfer a right to interest under the 1992 & 19 & of "non-default rate", your Lordship can see the \\
\hline 20 & agreement, but Wentworth aren't pursuing that argument. & 20 & draftsman uses the phrase "non-defaulting party" rather \\
\hline 21 & It is common ground that under the 1992 and the 2002 & 21 & than "payee". So that is the second situation. \\
\hline 22 & agreement, you can transfer claims, entitlements to & 22 & he third situation concerns where the default rate \\
\hline 23 & interest, as much as entitlements to the underlying & 23 & is payable prior to the early termination date. We are \\
\hline 24 & section 6(e) closeout amount. & 24 & concerned with the default rate, but it is where it is \\
\hline 25 & The relevant words, as your Lordship knows, are Page 46 & 25 & \begin{tabular}{l}
payable prior to the early termination date. Again, the \\
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\hline & point to note here is that, in the relevant provisions, & & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Take the example, though -- I was just \\
\hline 2 & the draftsman does not use the words "relevant payee". & 2 & glancing at clause 8, which, as I understand it, covers \\
\hline 3 & Those words are only used in relation to a sum which is & 3 & payments and stipulates the currency, and stipulates \\
\hline 4 & payable after designation of an early termination date. & 4 & understand it -- but I have only read it very \\
\hline 5 & If your Lordship goes to section 2(e) of the 1992 & 5 & ference to the party. Is that right? \\
\hline 6 & agreement, page 149, my learned friend Mr Trower showed & 6 & In which currency is the payee not being a party to be \\
\hline 7 & your Lordship this I think in his opening submissions: & 7 & paid? \\
\hline 8 & ts. & 8 & MR DICKER: Can I come back in relation to -- \\
\hline 9 & occurrence or effective designation of an early & 9 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes. \\
\hline 10 & termination date in respect of the relevant transaction, & 10 & MR DICKER: -- section 8 \\
\hline 11 & a party that defaults in performance of any payment & 11 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Sorry. \\
\hline 12 & obligation will, to the extent permitted by law and & 12 & MR DICKER: No, I obviously need to address that. Just \\
\hline 13 & su & 13 & focusing on the interest provisions and the way the \\
\hline 14 & before as well as after judgment on the overdue amount & 14 & ing has been structured, the comparable provision to \\
\hline 15 & to the other party on demand in the same currency. As & 15 & the one I have just identified in the 1992 agreement \\
\hline 16 & such, overdue amount ..." & 16 & your Lordship will see in 9(h)(ii) of the 2002 \\
\hline 17 & And then "at the default rate". So it is payab & 17 & agreement. That is tab 8, page 188 \\
\hline 18 & the o & 18 & r point. Your Lordship doesn't find \\
\hline 19 & Similarly, in the 2002 agreement, in the new & 19 & a reference here to the sum being paid to a party, the \\
\hline 20 & section 9 , dealing with interest, it is 9(h)(i)(1) on & 20 & other party, or anything of that sort. You only get the \\
\hline 21 & pag & 21 & son to whom payment is to be made identified when \\
\hline 22 & terest on defaulted payments. If a party & 22 & ate". \\
\hline 23 & defaults in the performance of any payment oblig & 23 & We say one has to ask why the draftsman has used the \\
\hline 24 & it will, to the extent & 24 & r than "payee" in the three oth \\
\hline 25 & subject to section 6(e), pay interest before as well as Page 49 & 25 & situations I have just shown your Lordship, but not in Page 51 \\
\hline 1 & after judgment on the overdue amou & 1 & the context of sums payable by a defaulting party after \\
\hline 2 & party. & 2 & designation of an early termination dat \\
\hline 3 & In contrast, the equivalent provisions dealing wit & 3 & What is special about a section 6(e) sum, closeo \\
\hline 4 & payment of interest at the default rate aft & 4 & sum, payable by a defaulting party to a non-defaulting \\
\hline 5 & designation of the early termination date omit & 5 & party that would explain the use of the phrase in that \\
\hline 6 & references to "party". If your Lordship goes now & 6 & context "relevant payee" rather than "party"? We say it \\
\hline 7 & section 6(d) of the 1992 agreement, page 155, & 7 & is appropriate to see if one can identify why the \\
\hline 8 & (ii), "Payment da & 8 & draftsman may have used different terms. \\
\hline 9 & "An amount calculated as being due in respect of any & 9 & We say the obvious explanation is because of \\
\hline 10 & early termination date under section 6(e) will be & 10 & section 7, and I showed your Lordship. There is an \\
\hline 11 & payable ..." & 11 & exception to the general prohibition on transfer of \\
\hline 12 & The relevant bit is five lines from the end of & 12 & assignment, but it is limited to one situation. It only \\
\hline 13 & the paragraph & 13 & applies in relation to a section 6(e) payment owed by \\
\hline 14 & "Such amount will be paid together with & 14 & a defaulting party. That is also the one situation in \\
\hline 15 & extent permitted under applicable law) interest thereon & 15 & which the phrase "relevant payee" is found. \\
\hline 16 & (before as well as after judgment) in the termination & 16 & Why might the draftsman have used that phrase in \\
\hline 17 & currency, from (and including) the relevant early & 17 & this context but not in any other? We say the answer is \\
\hline 18 & termination date to (but excluding) the date such amount & 18 & obvious, because where you have an assignment, you have \\
\hline 19 & is paid, at the applicable rate." & 19 & two potential payees, the assignor initially and the \\
\hline 20 & So there is no reference here to it being paid to & 20 & assignee afterwards. One needs to allocate cost of \\
\hline 21 & the other party. To identify to whom it is payable, you & 21 & funding to the relevant person. \\
\hline 22 & have to go to the applicable rate, and in relation to & 22 & Now, we say there is a further point. I have been \\
\hline 23 & the default rate, in respect of a section 6(e) payment, & 23 & focusing so far on the use of the word "payee" as \\
\hline 24 & that is the stage at which you get the words "relevant & 24 & opposed to "party", but the draftsman also added the \\
\hline 25 & payee". & 25 & word "relevant payee". As I have just mentioned, we say \\
\hline & Page 50 & & Page 52 \\
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\hline & the reason he did so is because there are two and he & 1 & a period \\
\hline 2 & needs to identif & 2 & the relevant cost of funding is now the cost of funding \\
\hline 3 & es this work in the context of a closeo & 3 & by the assignee, given that it is he who is now owed the \\
\hline & amount under section 6(e)? We say it is important & 4 & debt, he who has not been paid, and he who is \\
\hline & bear in mind that the master agreements are structu & 5 & drn of a sum which \\
\hline & as to produce a net amount payable one way or other & 6 & should have been paid but hasn't been paid. \\
\hline & on close & 7 & There is one further linguistic point made by \\
\hline 8 & cross-claims are effectively netted off aga & 8 & Wentworth that I need to deal with. It is slightly \\
\hline & ot & 9 & \\
\hline 10 & ano & 10 & section 7 of the master agreement, take the 1992 \\
\hline 11 & We say the fact that the section 6(e) payme & 11 & agreement, tab 7, page 157, they focus on 7(b) and they \\
\hline 12 & always go one way has the effect that, on Wentworth's & 12 & say \\
\hline 13 & construc & 13 & "It says a party may make such a transfer of all or \\
\hline 14 & "r & 14 & any part of its interest in any amount payable to it \\
\hline 15 & Wentworth's submission is that a relevant payee can & 15 & \\
\hline 16 & only be a contra & 16 & , \\
\hline 17 & essentiall & 17 & raftsman therefore had in mind \\
\hline 18 & counterparties. & 18 & was solely sums payable to the assignor, not the \\
\hline 19 & a & 19 & \\
\hline 20 & payable one way, and having done the calculation, you & 20 & We say that is wrong. Dealing with the 1992 \\
\hline 21 & will know to which of the two parties it has to be p & 21 & the 2002 \\
\hline 22 & There is no question of there being two possible & 22 & ly \\
\hline 23 & r & 23 & sum with which section 7(b) is concerned is the section \\
\hline 2 & As between the two parties, there is only one & & \\
\hline 25 & possible payee: the person entitled to the one-way Page 53 & 25 & eing an amount payable to it, is referring to Page 55 \\
\hline & \multirow[t]{26}{*}{\begin{tabular}{l}
payment. On its construction, it would have been sufficient for the draftsman simply to have said "payee", the original or the contractual counterparty entitled to the closeout amount. That is one approach the draftsman could logically have taken. \\
Another approach the draftsman could logically have taken was to use the phrase "relevant party", which, again, would have made sense, in the sense that the closeout amount could be owed to either party, so one could say, if one wanted to, "Well, it is the relevant party that matters". \\
What doesn't make any sense, we say, on Wentworth's construction, is the use of the phrase "relevant payee". \\
The reason for that, again, we say, is provided by section 7. The only situation in which the concept of relevant payee, in other words, the possibility of there being two potential payee, arises where you are dealing with a termination sum, a closeout amount owed by the defaulting party. The only situation in which that phrase makes sense is in the context of a section 7 transfer where you may have assignor and assignee. What the draftsman was seeking to do, we say, by using the phrase "relevant payee", was essentially to say, I have a period of cost of funding where the relevant cost of funding is the cost of funding of the relevant payee, Page 54
\end{tabular}} & 1 & (e) sum. \\
\hline 2 & & 2 & o, \\
\hline 3 & & 3 & dealt with separately, in sectio \\
\hline 4 & & 4 & ge 155. My point there was that, in the last \\
\hline 5 & & 5 & ntence, where it provides for interest to be paid, \\
\hline 6 & & 6 & doesn't refer to interest as being a sum payable just \\
\hline 7 & & 7 & solely to, the original contractual counterparty. \\
\hline 8 & & 8 & as interest is concerned, you identify who \\
\hline 9 & & 9 & is payable to, we say by looking \\
\hline 10 & & 10 & "default rate" where you get the words "relevant payee". \\
\hline 11 & & 11 & e position is even clearer in relation to the 2002 \\
\hline 12 & & 12 & agreement. Start with section 7(b), page 185: \\
\hline 13 & & 13 & party may make such a transfer of all or any part \\
\hline 1 & & 14 & of its interest in any early termination amount payable \\
\hline 15 & & 15 & to it by a defaulting party.' \\
\hline 16 & & 16 & We say the same applies here, "payable to it" is \\
\hline 17 & & 17 & reference to the section 6(e) closeout amount. In \\
\hline 18 & & 18 & lation to the 2002 agreement, that is perfectly clear \\
\hline 19 & & 19 & because of the words that have been added. It adds: \\
\hline 20 & & 20 & ther with any amounts payable on or with \\
\hline 2 & & 21 & respect to that interest [ie the section 6(e) amount] \\
\hline 22 & & 22 & d any other rights associated with that interest \\
\hline 23 & & 23 & pursuant to sections \(8,9(\mathrm{~h})\) and \(11 . "\) \\
\hline 24 & & 24 & distinction between the amount \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{25} & & 25 & payable to it, on the one hand, and interest, on the \\
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\hline 1 & other. Again, you only know who the interest is payable & 1 & "Why am I interested in this? This is a period in \\
\hline 2 & to when you look at the definition of "default rate". & 2 & respect of which I had no interest in the debt and \\
\hline 3 & Those are our submissions on the language of the & 3 & a period for which you were entitled to payment." \\
\hline 4 & relevant provisions. & 4 & It is also not clear how this would actually be \\
\hline 5 & Turning to commercial commonsense, we say the Senior & 5 & done. Presumably, the original counterparty would not \\
\hline 6 & Creditor Group's construction makes commercial sense, & 6 & in fact have incurred any cost of funding for that \\
\hline 7 & Wentworth's construction does not. Wentworth argues & 7 & period, given that we are dealing with a period after \\
\hline 8 & that the purpose of the default rate is to compensate & 8 & it's assigned the debt. So one would be necessarily \\
\hline 9 & the person entitled to payment from being kept out of & 9 & asking the original counterparty to work out what its \\
\hline 10 & its money and we agree, but we say the logic of that is & 10 & cost of funding would have been had it incurred a cost \\
\hline 11 & that before the section 7(b) transfer, the person who is & 11 & of funding, had it not assigned the debt to the \\
\hline 12 & being kept out of his money and should be compensated is & 12 & assignee. In other words, building hypotheticals on \\
\hline 13 & the assignee. After a section 7 transfer, the perso & 13 & hypotheticals. That can't be what the draftsman had in \\
\hline 14 & entitled to the money who is being kept out of his money & 14 & mind. \\
\hline 15 & and should be compensated for his cost of funding is the & 15 & We say it would also be capable of producing \\
\hline 16 & assignee. & 16 & outcomes contrary to commercial commonsense. Imagine \\
\hline 17 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Assignor first, assignee second? & 17 & a case in which the original contracting party had \\
\hline 18 & MR DICKER: Yes. & 18 & a high cost of funding and assigns the claim to an \\
\hline 19 & one accepts, and Wentwort & 19 & assignee with a low cost of funding. What sensible \\
\hline 20 & purpose is to compensate the person entitled to payment, & 20 & reason could there be for the assignee to be entitled to \\
\hline 21 & we say the logic of that involves asking: who & 21 & receive high cost of funding, which isn't his cost of \\
\hline 22 & entitled to payment? Initially, the assignor. So h & 22 & funding, it is the assignor's cost of funding, and \\
\hline 23 & ought to get his cost of funding. He is being kept o & 23 & a cost of funding which, by definition, the assignor \\
\hline 24 & of the money Post transfer, who is entitl & 24 & isn't actually bearing for the relevant period? It \\
\hline 25 & payment? It is the assignee. Who is being kept out of Page 57 & 25 & \begin{tabular}{l}
makes no sense at all, we say. \\
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\hline 1 & the money? It is the assignee, he s & 1 & Wentworth says, well, whatever the strength of all \\
\hline 2 & paym & 2 & of those linguistic and commercial commonsense points, \\
\hline 3 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: At page 57, I think you said & 3 & there is one reason why its construction must be the \\
\hline 4 & "assignee" twice. I don't criticise you. It is just so & 4 & right one. It says it must be the right one because the \\
\hline 5 & that there is no confusion. It is assig & 5 & draftsman was no doubt concerned not to expose parties \\
\hline 6 & before the section 7 transfer; assignee afterwards. & 6 & to a master agreement to the credit risk of third \\
\hline 7 & MR DICKER: Your Lordship is correct, and I am grateful & 7 & parties. It argues the prohibition on assignment was \\
\hline 8 & your Lordship. & 8 & designed to prevent parties from being exposed to credit \\
\hline 9 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Just in case I became confused wher & 9 & risk of third parties, other than their specifically \\
\hline 10 & re & 10 & chosen counterparty, and it contends the Senior Creditor \\
\hline 11 & MR DICKER: My Lord, we also say it doesn't make sense for & 11 & Group's argument undermines that in a way the draftsman \\
\hline 12 & the compensation to continue to be assessed by reference & 12 & cannot have intended. \\
\hline 13 & to the assignor's cost of funding following a & 13 & In our respectful submission, there is no force in \\
\hline 14 & assignment. It doesn't make sense for a number & 14 & that submission. The first point that needs to be made \\
\hline 15 & reasons. & 15 & is that protection against exposure to credit risk is \\
\hline 16 & First of all, it would require the & 16 & necessarily defined by and limited to the protection \\
\hline 17 & certify the cost of funding by reference to the original & 17 & provided by section 7. 7(b) contains a carve-out -- in \\
\hline 18 & counterparty's cost of funding. Potentially some years & 18 & fact, section 7 contains a carve-out. 7(a) in relation \\
\hline 19 & after the original counterparty had disposed & 19 & to situations of consolidation, merger and amalgamation, \\
\hline 20 & interest and where the original counterparty had no & 20 & 7(b) in relation to situations of assignment. \\
\hline 21 & continuing economic interest in the sum at all. & 21 & In relation to the former, 7(a), any issues that the \\
\hline 22 & On Wentworth's case, what the assignee needs to do & 22 & draftsman had are specifically dealt with by the \\
\hline 23 & is to effectively go along to the assignor and say, & 23 & agreement. Nothing is said in relation to section 7(b). \\
\hline 24 & "What's your cost of funding for this period?" One & 24 & So we say, to the extent that the draftsman was \\
\hline 25 & might expect the assignor to say: & 25 & concerned about not exposing one to credit risk, the \\
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\hline 1 & limits of his concern are logically expressed by the & 1 & amount that it owes. If it does so, the remedy is in \\
\hline 2 & limits of section 7, and 7(b) is an exception to the & 2 & its own hands, the sum is no longer outstanding and \\
\hline 3 & prohibition in section & 3 & there will be no relevant cost of funding capable of \\
\hline 4 & The second point is this: in our submission, & 4 & being recovered. \\
\hline 5 & not concerned with the defaulting party being exposed to & 5 & Again, we do say your Lordship should bear in mind \\
\hline 6 & the cr & 6 & the position, certainly take into account the position, \\
\hline 7 & The credit risk that the draftsman was undoubtedly & 7 & in other jurisdictions. Again, they divide into two. \\
\hline 8 & concerned with was the credit risk of being faced with & 8 & Firstly, the position in New York, and your Lordship \\
\hline 9 & a counterp & 9 & dence in relation to that in due \\
\hline 10 & obligations under the agreement for credit-related & 10 & course. There are authorities in New York to which the \\
\hline 11 & reasons & 11 & Senior Creditor Group's expert refers, dealing with \\
\hline 12 & n one talks about parties being entitled & 12 & attorneys' fees, for example, where it appears perfectly \\
\hline 13 & choose their contractual counterparties to ensure that & 13 & clear that when an assignee claims an indemnity in \\
\hline 14 & they're happy with the credit risk they are taking on & 14 & respect of his costs following an assignment of a claim \\
\hline 15 & the concern is to ensure that your counterparty & 15 & between two original counterparties, the attorneys' fees \\
\hline 16 & perform, won't be precluded to do so by reason of credit & 16 & one is talking about are the attorneys' fees incurred by \\
\hline 17 & issues that it may have. That is obviously not the & 17 & the assignee, not attorneys' fees that would have been \\
\hline 18 & present situation. The present situation involves a sum & 18 & incurred by the assignor. We say that is analogous. \\
\hline 19 & owed by the defaulting party to the non-defaulting & 19 & gh more loosely -- again, \\
\hline 20 & party, the closeout sum. There aren't any remaining & 20 & your Lordship will see some of this in due course \\
\hline 21 & obligations owed by the non-defaulting party. There & 21 & although one can't describe the German master agreement \\
\hline 22 & isn't, therefore, any possibility of the non-defaulting & 22 & in the same way as one can describe the English and \\
\hline 23 & party being unable to perform those obligations because & 23 & New York variants on the official ISDA master agreement \\
\hline 24 & it gets into credit difficulties. This simply isn't & 24 & we say it is also significant that under German law it \\
\hline 25 & a situation involving credit risk in any normal sense. Page 61 & 25 & appears to be the position that, following an Page 63 \\
\hline 1 & The third point we make is, the sugg & 1 & assignment, one is concerned with the cost of funding of \\
\hline 2 & assigne & 2 & the assignee. The issue between the two experts \\
\hline 3 & funding because of a concern about credit risk is & 3 & hether, although that's the approach, such cost of \\
\hline 4 & any event, wholly artificial. When a party enters in & 4 & funding is effectively capped by reference to the \\
\hline 5 & a master agreement, it is concerned about & 5 & assignor's cost of funding. But as far as one is \\
\hline 6 & creditworthiness of the other party, as I said, because & 6 & testing this in terms of commercial sense, as a matter \\
\hline 7 & of a risk it may fail to perform. The suggestion & 7 & of German law it appears they don't regard anything \\
\hline 8 & when you enter into a master agreement you're concerned & 8 & surprising in the suggestion that following an \\
\hline 9 & about credit risk in the sense that you are concerned & 9 & assignment you look at the position from the perspective \\
\hline 10 & that if you go bust and you end up & 10 & of the assignee. Again, as I said, your Lordship will \\
\hline 11 & other party, your cost of funding, the amount you may & 11 & see that in due course. \\
\hline 12 & have to pay in respect of cost of funding, may go up in & 12 & The next stage in Wentworth's argument is, it seeks \\
\hline 13 & that situation. The suggestion that this is a concern & 13 & to support its position by relying on general principles \\
\hline 14 & which a party entering into a transaction would have in & 14 & of English law relating to assignment. The assumption \\
\hline 15 & mind again we say is unreal. You don't & 15 & underlying the argument appears to be that one should \\
\hline 16 & transactions on that sort of basis. Credit risk is to & 16 & assume the draftsman intended to replicate, reflect, \\
\hline 17 & do with the risk of non-performance of obligations owed, & 17 & principles of English common law unless he indicated to \\
\hline 18 & not a risk of potentially higher cost of funding in the & 18 & the contrary. Wentworth say, well, it is a principle of \\
\hline 19 & event that you, yourself, default and owe a closeout & 19 & English common law that an assignment can't put the \\
\hline 20 & amou & 20 & other contracting party into a worse position than he \\
\hline 21 & If the defaulting party had had concerns along these & 21 & would have been pre assignment. \\
\hline 22 & lines, then obviously it could have protected itself, it & 22 & My Lord, we say, following the submissions I made \\
\hline 23 & could have amended section 7. That's one possibility. & 23 & right at the start, there are potential dangers in \\
\hline 24 & e, of course, is that, in many & 24 & proceeding on the assumption that the draftsman \\
\hline 25 & situations, it can protect itself simply by paying the
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\] & 25 & effectively intended to incorporate, whether lock, stock
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\hline 1 & and barrel or not, English common law's approach to the & 1 & My Lord, the passage I was going to show \\
\hline 2 & consequences of an assignment. There is certainly no & 2 & your Lordship is from the judgment of \\
\hline 3 & reason, we say, why one should assume that the parties & 3 & Lord Justice Millett. His judgment starts at page 27. \\
\hline 4 & to a master agreement would have been aware of that & 4 & The relevant passage is on page 31. It is th \\
\hline 5 & material or could reasonably have been aware of it & 5 & penultimate paragraph on page 31. Lord Justice Millett \\
\hline 6 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I found that a difficult propositior & 6 & says: \\
\hline 7 & n, these agreements are not in some & 7 & "We have heard much argument on what the position \\
\hline 8 & cage (?), are they? They have to be governed accordin & 8 & would have been if the assignment to Shire had not been \\
\hline 9 & to the & 9 & by \\
\hline 10 & I can quite see the contract may contain its own & 10 & was by way of security only, but assume it \\
\hline 11 & rules properly construed in accordance with the releva & 11 & wasn't, and we are dealing with a normal assignment: \\
\hline 12 & law. I find it difficult to think that there is some & 12 & "Discussion has centred on the rule that the \\
\hline 13 & sort of protection against the application of any of & 13 & assignee of the benefit of a contract cannot recover \\
\hline 14 & common law principles, except as specified in & 14 & damages for breach of contract in excess of the damages \\
\hline 15 & contract as interpreted in accordance with the common & 15 & ich would have been recoverable if there had been no \\
\hline 16 & law & 16 & assignment." \\
\hline 17 & MR DICKER: It is essentially a question of construction & 17 & Reference is made to the well-known cases in that \\
\hline 18 & e c & 18 & resp \\
\hline 19 & We ce & 19 & "It is, of course, obvious that the assignme \\
\hline 20 & wordin & 20 & cannot change the nature or extent of the obligation, \\
\hline 21 & Conversely, one shouldn't assume, essentially, & 21 & but subject thereto and to the ordinary rules of \\
\hline 22 & what & 22 & moteness, I should have thought that the assignee is \\
\hline 23 & resı & 23 & titled to recover damages in respect of all \\
\hline 24 & the same body of case law as & 24 & ompensated loss which he or his assignor has \\
\hline 25 & \begin{tabular}{l}
law, unless he clearly indicated \\
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\end{tabular} & 25 & sustained. This may be only another way of putting the Page 67 \\
\hline 1 & My Lord, we also say that, in any event, & 1 & rule, but it has merit of bringing out the distinction \\
\hline 2 & construction for which the Senior Creditor Group & 2 & between the heads of damage and the measure of damage. \\
\hline 3 & contends is perfectly consistent with common law & 3 & As at present advised, I do not believe that the rule \\
\hline 4 & principles in relation to assignment. The proposition & 4 & under discussion has anything to do with the latter." \\
\hline 5 & that the debtor can't be liable for more than he would & 5 & What Lord Justice Millett is doing is drawing \\
\hline 6 & have been liable to the assignor is ultimately & 6 & a distinction between heads of damage on the one side, \\
\hline 7 & a question of construction of the contract. It is not & 7 & and measure of damages. What, in our submission, he is \\
\hline 8 & a rule of public policy. Wentworth appears to accept & 8 & saying is that, yes, it is correct that the debtor is \\
\hline 9 & that. & 9 & protected, in the sense that it can't be liable for \\
\hline 10 & So if a contract permits assignment, it necessar & 10 & heads of damages to an assignee that it wasn't liable to \\
\hline 11 & follows that the parties must be intending third parties & 11 & an assignor for, but that is a different question of \\
\hline 12 & to be capable of benefiting from it. The only question & 12 & the measure of damages. There is nothing contrary to \\
\hline 13 & is, on what basis and what terms? & 13 & those cases in saying that, when one comes to the \\
\hline 14 & We say, if the measure of damages varies over time, & 14 & easure of damages, and you measure it by reference to \\
\hline 15 & nothing inherently surprising in a contract which & 15 & e position of the assignee, you may end up with \\
\hline 16 & provides that the amount of any damages depends on the & 16 & a different number from the number you might have ended \\
\hline 17 & factual position of the assignee post assignment. & 17 & up with in relation to the assignor. \\
\hline 18 & Two authorities that it may be worth showing & 18 & So we say nothing inconsistent if one adopts the \\
\hline 19 & your Lordship at this stage in relation to that. The & 19 & approach taken by Lord Justice Millett in saying that \\
\hline 20 & first is a decision in a case called L/M International & 20 & cases about the extent of protection to an assignor \\
\hline 21 & Construction Limited v The Circle Partnership. It is in & 21 & don't actually address the situation that we are dealing \\
\hline 22 & the authorities, bundle 1, tab 24. & 22 & with. \\
\hline 23 & My Lord, I'm sorry, the version that appears to have & 23 & My Lord, again, your Lordship may or may not find it \\
\hline 24 & gotten into my bundle is not the one I have marked up, & 24 & interesting in due course that there was a similar \\
\hline 25 & so if your Lordship would give me one moment. & 25 & distinction certain in certain of the expert evidence so \\
\hline & Page 66 & & Page 68 \\
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\hline 1 & far as German law is concerned between essentially legal & 1 & respect. So, essentially, I'm deriving a negative \\
\hline 2 & liability on the one hand and factual damages on the & 2 & absence of a point being taken, and it may be \\
\hline 3 & other. Again, your Lordship will see that in due & 3 & your Lordship doesn't think this takes this very far. \\
\hline 4 & course. & 4 & The relevant discussion, if your Lordship wants to look \\
\hline 5 & My Lord, the only thing perhaps I should add is, if & 5 & at it at some stage, is pages 163C to 164F. \\
\hline 6 & one just goes back to the paragrap & 6 & say is that, in that case, the \\
\hline 7 & Lord Justice Millett's judgment, and just picks up the & 7 & point wasn't taken, it doesn't appear to have been \\
\hline 8 & phrase after the reference to the three cases: & 8 & thought commercially absurd that when one is talking \\
\hline 9 & "Obvious the assignment cannot change the nature or & 9 & about the cost of dollar deposits following an \\
\hline 10 & extent of the obligation, but subject thereto and to the & 10 & about the cost of dollar \\
\hline 11 & ordinary & 11 & deposits to the assignee as opposed to the assignor. \\
\hline 12 & Plainly one prote & 12 & My Lord, the final point -- \\
\hline 13 & course, that if the assignee comes forward and says, & 13 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: It does seem to turn on a constructio \\
\hline 14 & "I have this particular claim", and applying the norma & 14 & of that agreement. \\
\hline 15 & rules of remoteness that could not reasonably have been & 15 & MR DICKER: In a sense -- \\
\hline 16 & in the contemplation of the debtor, even taking into & 16 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes, but this seems to be very -- will \\
\hline 17 & count the existence of the transfer provisions, then & 17 & I be \\
\hline 18 & m. One is only & 18 & MR DICKER: I think not. As I said, I'm not sure I can put \\
\hline 19 & concerned with a claim for damages by the assignee w & 19 & it much higher than a situation in which no-one seems to \\
\hline 20 & does satisfy the rules of remoteness. & 20 & have certainly thoug \\
\hline 21 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Common law of assistance there. & 21 & understand why. If you have a syndicate of banks and \\
\hline 22 & MR DICKER: Yes. Applying Lord Justice Millett's approach, & 22 & a provision which permits the syndicate to change and \\
\hline 23 & yes. & 23 & essentially to have new assignees, there is nothing \\
\hline 24 & M & 24 & inherently surprising in the idea that as the syndi \\
\hline 25 & in a case called Lordsvale Finance v Bank of Zambia.
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\] & 25 & rolls forward you apply the terms of the contract to the Page 71 \\
\hline 1 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Where is & 1 & new members of the syndicate rather than the old members \\
\hline 2 & MR DICKER: I'm not sure, on reflection, how much benefit & 2 & and, if necessary, assignees as well. \\
\hline 3 & your Lordship will derive from going through a detailed & 3 & My Lord, the final point is this. Wentworth \\
\hline 4 & discussion of the case. Can & 4 & contends that if the relevant payee includes an \\
\hline 5 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Where it is? & 5 & assignee, then there is the potential for abuse. The \\
\hline 6 & MR DICKER: Oh, I'm sorry. It is in authoritie & 6 & suggestion appears to be that the closeout amount could \\
\hline 7 & tab 27 & 7 & be assigned to a party with a very high cost of funding, \\
\hline 8 & My Lord, can I just explain what we seek to say one & 8 & and the benefit of the extra payment will then be shared \\
\hline 9 & can derive from this case? The case involve & 9 & tween the assignor and the assignee. Essentially, \\
\hline 10 & a syndicated loan agreement. The loan agreeme & 10 & cheme: find someone with an extraordinarily high cost \\
\hline 11 & contained a provision for calculating the default rate & 11 & of funding, assign the claim to him and spare the \\
\hline 12 & which was based on a debt cost of funding component for & 12 & spoils. \\
\hline 13 & each lender, namely, the cost as determined by each bank & 13 & My Lord, we say, with the greatest respect, \\
\hline 14 & of obtaining dollar deposits, and the definition of & 14 & speculative scare stories of this sort are not a proper \\
\hline 15 & "bank" included any of its assignees. & 15 & basis on which to construe the master agreement. One \\
\hline 16 & The argument in the case was about whether, where & 16 & starts with the fact, again, certification required to \\
\hline 17 & the assignee had acquired the claim at a discount, & 17 & be rational and in good faith. Nor in those \\
\hline 18 & interest should be based on the amount of the loan owed & 18 & circumstances could there be we say any risk of abuse. \\
\hline 19 & by the debtor or the amount of the discounted purchase & 19 & If the assignee is entitled to cost of funding at a high \\
\hline 20 & price which the assignee had paid for the debt. The & 20 & rate, that is because it actually has a high cost of \\
\hline 21 & answer was the former, & 21 & nding. If it doesn't receive its high cost of \\
\hline 22 & Subject to this, it doesn't appear to have been & 22 & nding, it won't be compensated by the sum necessary to \\
\hline 23 & suggested that the assignee was not entitled to & 23 & compensate it for its time value of money. \\
\hline 24 & determine its own cost of obtaining dollar deposits but & 24 & In other words, it actually will have lost out. So \\
\hline 25 & was limited to the cost of the original bank in that & 25 & it has a high cost of funding, but that is because its \\
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\hline 1 & cost of funding is high. The two are the same. They & 1 & sought to submit an explanation for that difference. \\
\hline 2 & match each other. There isn't some magical generation & 2 & d, it may be -- section 8 may be an example of \\
\hline 3 & of a surplus which can then be generated in favour of & 3 & this -- there are other situations in which the \\
\hline 4 & a third party & 4 & draftsman hasn't followed through the logic of that -- \\
\hline 5 & One can, of course, as with almost any situation, no & 5 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: By all means, think further about it, \\
\hline 6 & doubt identify particular circumstances in which it may & 6 & ou are going to maintain \\
\hline 7 & still be possible to generate a surplus and to share it, & 7 & at the draftsman has this sort of almost superhuman \\
\hline 8 & but we say if one simply thinks about a normal situation & 8 & accuracy without any slips into words like "relevant", \\
\hline 9 & an assignment of a claim to an assignee with a high & 9 & uments, \\
\hline 10 & cost of funding, there is nothing in there which & 10 & roughout the \\
\hline 11 & generates a spoil capable of being shared between & 11 & cument, really, rather than in the particular context \\
\hline 12 & assignor and assignee, and, therefore, no risk of abuse, & 12 & in which it works for you. \\
\hline 13 & at least in that standard situation & 13 & MR DICKER: My Lord, I entirely accept the point is \\
\hline 14 & My Lord, the trouble with these sorts of argume & 14 & ong to the extent it is not \\
\hline 15 & is, they almost always are capable of cutting both ways. & 15 & flected throug \\
\hline 16 & Go back to the submission I made previously about an & 16 & My Lord, Mr Fisher has just referred me to \\
\hline 17 & ginal counterparty with a very high cost of fundin & 17 & ragraphs 110 and 111 of our skeleton argu \\
\hline 18 & Wentworth's argument, that original counterparty can & 18 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Thank you. \\
\hline 19 & sign the claim to an assignee with a very low cost of & 19 & MR DICKER: It will be quickest if your Lordship were just \\
\hline 20 &  & 20 & nd 111, rather \\
\hline 21 & nefit. Why wouldn't there be equal prospect of & 21 & out \\
\hline 22 & a sharing of spoils in that situation? We do & 22 & R JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes. Would this be fair: you have \\
\hline 23 & respectfully say this is not a reliable method for & 23 & oblem, but the answer is not perfection \\
\hline 24 & construing the master agreement. & 24 & possible inconsistency in the use of \\
\hline 25 & In summary on question 10 , in our submission, the Page 73 & 25 & the word?
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\hline 1 & & 1 & MR DICKER: Use of the word "party", but that doesn't \\
\hline 2 & cost of funds following any assig & 2 & necessarily undermine -- \\
\hline 3 & effect of the language used. It is its natural meaning & 3 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: You say he was very, very careful to \\
\hline 4 & One sees that from the way in which the draftsman used, & 4 & r \\
\hline 5 & on the one hand, "party" & 5 & MR D \\
\hline 6 & "payee" and if one analyses why he used "relevant & 6 & n help your Lordship further, those ar \\
\hline 7 & payee". We also say it makes perfectly sensible & 7 & our submissions. \\
\hline 8 & commercial sense & 8 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: That has been extremely helpful. \\
\hline 9 &  & 9 & Thank you. \\
\hline 10 & Your Lordship did raise a question in relation to & 10 & Have you gobbled some of the time allotted to \\
\hline 11 & use of the word "party" in section 8. & 11 & Goldman Sachs, or is that by agreement between you? \\
\hline 12 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: It may be a false point. My & 12 & MR DICKER: I think it may in part have been unilateral on \\
\hline 13 & understanding of the construction that you offer is that & 13 & my part, but I do understand from my learned friend that \\
\hline 14 & the draftsman confined the use of the words "relevant & 14 & hopefully that won't be an issue. \\
\hline 15 & payee" to a very particular circumstance, and used & 15 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, I am conscious it is 5 to 1 \\
\hline 16 & "party" when he meant "party". My question was, what & 16 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Do you want to start now? \\
\hline 17 & happens as to, for example, currency denominations? 8 & 17 & MR FOXTON: I'm happy to start now, my Lord. When one looks \\
\hline 18 & appears to apply only to parties, on your version, & 18 & d this time, the money value of time is possibly as \\
\hline 19 & therefore, not to relevant payees & 19 & ous to all as the time value of money. I think we \\
\hline 20 & MR DICKER: My Lord, at this stage can I respond simply ir & 20 & can make some progress now. \\
\hline 21 & this way: what I have been doing is essentially looking & 21 & Opening submissions by MR FOXTON \\
\hline 22 & at the various provisions for interest, which one can & 22 & MR FOXTON: Your Lordship knows that Goldman Sachs \\
\hline 23 & think of, perhaps, as part of a broader whole. There & 23 & International was given permission to participate in \\
\hline 24 & plainly is a distinction there between situations in & 24 & this hearing by the order of Mr Justice David Richards \\
\hline 25 & which "party" is used and "payee" is used. I have Page 74 & 25 & \begin{tabular}{l}
of 23 June. My Lord, the terms of that participation \\
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\hline & are limited to submissions of evidence and the making of & 1 & themselves are many, varied and developing. We all know \\
\hline 2 & arguments which don't repeat those of the Senio & 2 & particular iterations of the ISDA master agreemen \\
\hline 3 & Creditor Group. & 3 & can have quite a long life. We went 10 years between \\
\hline 4 & We are very happy to adopt Mr Dicker's submissions, & 4 & 1992 and 2002. We are often told a week is a long time \\
\hline 5 & we don't intend to repeat them. There are some areas & 5 & in politics; ten years is a very long time in the way in \\
\hline 6 & where we would like to make either some additional & 6 & which financial instruments are developed. \\
\hline 7 & points or to develop topics further, most especially & 7 & My Lord, the last general point is this, that we are \\
\hline 8 & from the perspective of financial institutions. & 8 & going to invite your Lordship to distinguish very \\
\hline 9 & My Lord, our submissions are principally aimed at & 9 & carefully between general issues that are legitimately \\
\hline 10 & issue 11. There is very little to add on anything else & 10 & questions of construction and what are, in effect, \\
\hline 11 & My Lord, I was going to begin with some further points & 11 & anticipatory attacks on the way in which a particular \\
\hline 12 & on factual matrix. My Lord, then looking at what the & 12 & levant payee might seek to certify its cost of \\
\hline 13 & treatment of loss, in particular the 1992 ISDA & 13 & fundi \\
\hline 14 & agreement, will tell the court about the correct & 14 & My Lord, that distinction is very important. \\
\hline 15 & approach to the construction of the cost of funding and & 15 & Statements in decisions on the ISDA master form have \\
\hline 16 & "if it were to fund" language. & 16 & a very long half life, and can find themselves being \\
\hline 17 & I then want to pick up a point your Lordship has & 17 & resurrected in very different factual circumstances from \\
\hline 18 & raised, which is whether the actual or notional funding & 18 & those in which they were made, and, as we will seek to \\
\hline 19 & costs must be transaction specific, if I can put it & 19 & explain to your Lordship, the draftsman having drawn \\
\hline 20 & that w & 20 & this very clear distinction between the general and the \\
\hline 21 & My Lord, the principal fresh topic which we wish to & 21 & particular, we believe that the construction exercise \\
\hline 22 & develop is to look at some of the ways in which & 22 & should honour that distinction. \\
\hline 23 & financial institutions did indeed raise funds in & 23 & My Lord, that takes us to just after 1 pm , and \\
\hline 24 & response to the Lehman's default, and there are some & 24 & I propose to come back and turn to the factual matrix \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{25} & examples of that. & 25 & issue after lunch. \\
\hline & Page 77 & \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{Page 79} \\
\hline 1 & My Lord, when one looks at that and then tests the & 1 & (1.00 pm) \\
\hline 2 & suggested distinction between debt and equity, which & 2 & (The short adjournment) \\
\hline 3 & Wentworth and the joint administrators advance, one sees & 3 & ( 2.00 pm ) \\
\hline 4 & that the distinction is not capable of being maintained & 4 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, Mr Dicker has already referred to the \\
\hline 5 & in practice. It will have a series of uncommercial & 5 & fact that regulatory requirements applicable to \\
\hline 6 & consequences and be wholly unworkable in practice, as & 6 & financial institutions require them to maintain certain \\
\hline 7 & well as having what we submit would be the ra & 7 & ratios of debt to equity, and has made the submission \\
\hline 8 & surprising effect that costs of funding actually & 8 & that that is something that at least at that level of \\
\hline 9 & incurred by financial institutions and others in & 9 & generality ought to have been within the contemplation \\
\hline 10 & response to Lehman's default would not be capable of & 10 & of users of the form. That was a topic on which \\
\hline 11 & falling within the cost of funding language in th & 11 & nted to say a little more, given Goldman Sachs' \\
\hline 12 & default rate & 12 & basis of intervention in the case. \\
\hline 13 & My Lord, finally, there are some very & 13 & Your Lordship will know that ISDA's origins lie \\
\hline 14 & submissions indeed on issues 12 and 14. & 14 & originally in a group of US financial institutions. We \\
\hline 15 & My Lord, the conclusions we will be inviting & 15 & quite accept that the users of the form have spread \\
\hline 16 & your Lordship to draw from these points are as follows. & 16 & beyond that initial base, but financial institutions \\
\hline 17 & First, that, as a matter of construction, the cost & 17 & remain a very important group, and we would say among \\
\hline 18 & of funding language doesn't preclude any particular type & 18 & the principal users of the master form. \\
\hline 19 & of funding at all. Still less does it preclude actual & 19 & My Lord, it also ought to be uncontroversial that \\
\hline 20 & costs incurred in response to Lehman's default, for the & 20 & financial institutions fund themselves through a broad \\
\hline 21 & purposes of those parties coming to certify them. & 21 & range of sources, both debt, equity and financial \\
\hline 22 & My Lord, second, we would say it is very dangerous & 22 & instruments which perhaps aren't so readily classifiable \\
\hline 23 & to seek to read words of limitation into actual or & 23 & by either of those two descriptions \\
\hline 24 & potential costs of funding, because the way in which not & 24 & My Lord, we have mentioned a number of those in \\
\hline 25 & just financial institutions, but all corporates, fund & 25 & further information we have served: trust preferred \\
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\hline 1 & securities; hybrid capital; enhanced capital; contingent & 1 & additional capital. \\
\hline 2 & capital; additional tier capital; and so it goes on. & 2 & My Lord, we say that all of those matters militate \\
\hline 3 & My Lord, what is significant, for present purposes, & 3 & very strongly against the suggestion that the ISDA \\
\hline 4 & is it is not a matter of unbridled discretion for & 4 & master form only allows for or contemplates debt funding \\
\hline 5 & a financial institution as to which form of funding it & 5 & when using the "cost of funding" language in the \\
\hline 6 & secures. Of course there are the regulatory & 6 & def \\
\hline 7 & requirements which I have referred to for capital ratios & 7 & My Lord, there are two responses to that contention, \\
\hline 8 & which may, themselves, require a particular funding & 8 & and I think it is right that I should deal with the \\
\hline 9 & loss to take the form of equity rather than debt. & 9 & now. One put forward by Wentworth and one raised for \\
\hline 10 & The regulatory requirements are not, themselves, & 10 & the court's consideration by the joint administrators. \\
\hline 11 & static, and would not have been seen to have been static & 11 & My Lord, so far as Wentworth are concerned, they say \\
\hline 12 & at the time the ISDA master agreement 1992 form was & 12 & that characteristics of particular users of the form \\
\hline 13 & drawn & 13 & cannot be relevant to the court's construction of what \\
\hline 14 & My Lord, certainly, so far as the 199 & 14 & is, after all, a single standard set of terms. My Lord, \\
\hline 15 & concerned, one sees some manifestation of those & 15 & there is some irony, for what it is worth, in that point \\
\hline 16 & requirements in the user guide. I just wanted to take & 16 & coming forward from the skeleton from Wentworth, becaus \\
\hline 17 & your Lordship briefly to that in bundle 5 & 17 & it was the party that had originally suggested that the \\
\hline 18 & My Lord, we have the 1992 user guide & 18 & words "cost of funding" had a conventionally or \\
\hline 19 & My Lord, the passage I wanted to pick up was at page 135 & 19 & customarily narrower meaning for financial institutions, \\
\hline 20 & of the bundle. It is discussing there, at the top of & 20 & but that heresy is no longer pursue \\
\hline 21 & the page, the election now available between first & 21 & Goldmans of course accept that the words have the \\
\hline 22 & method and second method and the explanation of & 22 & same meaning for all users of the master form, be they \\
\hline 23 & the introduction of second method. Your Lordshi & 23 & financial institutions or anyone else, but that does not \\
\hline 24 & see what is said is & 24 & mean that matters of fairly notorious application to \\
\hline 25 & "The fallback provision for the payment method on Page 81 & 25 & a significant group of users of the form and of which Page 83 \\
\hline 1 & early termination in the event parties fail to select & 1 & all potential users ought to be aware cannot influence \\
\hline 2 & a payment methodology in the schedule has been & 2 & the court's construction of the phrase "cost \\
\hline 3 & designated as the second method, partly in response to & 3 & funding". \\
\hline 4 & past and recent statements by bank regulators, & 4 & My Lord, when one is relying upon matrix in support \\
\hline 5 & suggesting that recognition of netting for capital & 5 & of giving a phrase an extended meaning, enlarging the \\
\hline 6 & purposes could be conditioned on use of the second & 6 & universe of potential applications, the argument that \\
\hline 7 & method." & 7 & somehow a particular group falling outside those most \\
\hline 8 & There we have the form, itself, at least insofar as & 8 & immediately concerned with the factual matrix are \\
\hline 9 & it is specifying the default when the choice between & 9 & somehow being disadvantaged is much reduced. It might \\
\hline 10 & first and second method is presented, relying upon the & 10 & be rather different if we were contending that \\
\hline 11 & regulatory capital regime applicable to banks as the & 11 & a narrower scope should be given to words simply to \\
\hline 12 & basis for the decision taken. & 12 & reflect the capital requirements imposed on banks. \\
\hline 13 & My Lord, even if one leaves aside any question of & 13 & My Lord, the other point that I think falls to be \\
\hline 14 & regulatory requirement, the mix of funding which & 14 & made in response to Wentworth's argument is this: the \\
\hline 15 & financial institutions adopt and the relative weight of & 15 & ratio of debt and equity is actually a matter of great \\
\hline 16 & debt and equity is of course also a matter of legitimate & 16 & significance to all corporate users of the form. It may \\
\hline 17 & concern so far as its market counterparties are & 17 & be that non-financial institutions don't face the \\
\hline 18 & concerned, and, indeed, those who assess the financial & 18 & requirements of Basel II and III, but the covenants \\
\hline 19 & strength of financial institutions, be they rating & 19 & der which they themselves have borrowed money may wel \\
\hline 20 & agencies or analysts. & 20 & mpose requirements as to the debt/equity ratio, such \\
\hline 21 & So the choice of debt versus equity is certainly not & 21 & that for their own reasons if required to raise funding \\
\hline 22 & one that is value neutral in the market. It is & 22 & they might have no choice but to raise it by way of \\
\hline 23 & something that has implications, and those implications & 23 & equity rather than by way of debt, for fear of falling \\
\hline 24 & are capable of influencing or framing the choice which & 24 & foul of those covenants. \\
\hline 25 & a financial institution has to make when raising & 25 & My Lord, the point that the joint administrators \\
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\hline 1 & have raised is to draw the court's attention to & 1 & that, and you are then looking at "cost of funding" \\
\hline 2 & a decision of Mr Justice Briggs and raising the issue of & 2 & language with no limitation in that language to debt, \\
\hline 3 & whether that has definitively held that the regulatory & 3 & you have, we would say, strong support from the factual \\
\hline 4 & capital position of banks is not admissible for the & 4 & matrix that that language should not be narrowly \\
\hline 5 & purposes of construing the ISDA master form. & 5 & construed \\
\hline 6 & Your Lordship will have seen reference to that in & 6 & My Lord, that is all that I wanted to say i \\
\hline 7 & the skeletons, the Carlton Communications decision & 7 & addition to what Mr Dicker has already said on the \\
\hline 8 & My Lord, it might be worth turning that up. That is in & 8 & question of factual matrix. \\
\hline 9 & authorities bundle 2 at tab 46. & 9 & My Lord, I then wanted to turn to what I think all \\
\hline 10 & My Lord, the specific context was obviously the & 10 & of us at various stages rather grandly called the \\
\hline 11 & much-litigated question of whether section 2(a)(iii), & 11 & architecture of the ISDA form. The point I was \\
\hline 12 & which created certain conditions precedent to payme & 12 & particularly keen to develop before your Lordship -- it \\
\hline 13 & obligations under the ISDA form, how that should be & 13 & is a point on which Mr Dicker has made some very helpful \\
\hline 14 & interpreted. A matter eventually resolved by the Court & 14 & submissions as well -- is the interrelationship between \\
\hline 15 & of Appeal. The argument put forward in that case wa & 15 & loss and default rate, and what the approach to the \\
\hline 16 & that the clause should not be interpreted as a walk-away & 16 & former tells us about the latter \\
\hline 17 & clause, which would discharge the non-defaulting party & 17 & My Lord has been taken to that definition of "loss" \\
\hline 18 & from any obligation to pay, because that would cut & 18 & in the 1992 form before. It might be worth just having \\
\hline 19 & across the way in which capital adequacy requiremen & 19 & \[
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\] \\
\hline 20 & imposed upon banks participating in the ISDA scheme had & 20 & page 161. My Lord, if one pulls together the \\
\hline 21 & hither & 21 & submissions made by Mr Trower and Mr Dicker in relation \\
\hline 22 & My Lord, one gets the & 22 & to this clause, we submit that the combinatio \\
\hline 23 & paragrap & 23 & the two is of real assistance in moving on to the \\
\hline 24 & his factual matrix argument by referenc & 24 & construction of default rate. \\
\hline 25 & regulatory capital requirements. The argument, Page 85 & 25 & As Mr Trower pointed out, where you have an unpaid Page 87 \\
\hline 1 & effect, is, this can't be a walk-away clause & 1 & amount which has accrued, as it were, \\
\hline 2 & for reg cap purposes banks are acting on the basis that & 2 & designation of an early termination date, that gets \\
\hline 3 & it isn't. & 3 & swept up in the loss method within the definition of \\
\hline 4 & My Lord, paragraph 19, unchallenged expert evidence & 4 & "loss". \\
\hline 5 & in the form of Professor Morrison. It is helpful & 5 & The interest or the cost of funding in relation to \\
\hline 6 & I think, in identifying quite how recondite the poi & 6 & it that has occurred prior to the date of calculating \\
\hline 7 & factual matrix was, to look at the summary of & 7 & your loss sum is also swept up within that definition. \\
\hline 8 & Professor Morrison's opinion at paragraph 20. & 8 & So for at least a period of time until you have \\
\hline 9 & My Lord, it was, with all respect to those advancing & 9 & your -- when you have calculated your loss sum, you have \\
\hline 10 & it, a very ambitious argu & 10 & served your notification of it, and that then \\
\hline 11 & paragraph 13.7.9 of the Prudential source book & 11 & crystallises the amount, you have an exercise being done \\
\hline 12 & banks, building societies and investment firms which & 12 & to work out the funding cost of the unpaid amount as \\
\hline 13 & implemented it could be matters of which non-bank users, & 13 & part of the loss exercise. Once you have notified your \\
\hline 14 & as well as bank users, of the ISDA master form ought & 14 & loss, you then have a separate exercise, at least so far \\
\hline 15 & reasonably to have been aware. & 15 & as the contractual clause you are acting under, in \\
\hline 16 & My Lord, we therefore say it is not surprising that & 16 & relation to the cost of funding, namely, the default \\
\hline 17 & in paragraphs 25 and 26 Mr Justice Briggs holds that & 17 & rate. \\
\hline 18 & this falls outside the ambit of permissible factual & 18 & My Lord, it would, we say, be very curious if you \\
\hline 19 & matrix & 19 & were conducting two different exercises on, in part at \\
\hline 20 & My Lord, we are in a very different territory. The & 20 & least, the same underlying principle as part of your \\
\hline 21 & fact which users of the forms we say can reasonably be & 21 & loss calculation up to the date when you notify your \\
\hline 22 & treated as having been aware or at least having the & 22 & loss and then when addressing your cost of funding under \\
\hline 23 & means of being aware is that regulatory capital & 23 & the default rate provision thereafter. \\
\hline 24 & requirements may require a certain portion of funding to & 24 & Although I suspect it would be a rare case in which \\
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take the form of equity rather than debt. Once you know \\
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\end{tabular} & 25 & this would occur, you could have a closeout in which the Page 88 \\
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\hline 1 & only element feeding into your loss calculation was & 1 & the same exercise, partly within the loss provision and \\
\hline 2 & a prior unpaid amount, because if everything else had & 2 & partly within the default provision, just simply for \\
\hline 3 & sort of netted out, leaving no net sum, that would be & 3 & different periods of time \\
\hline 4 & all there was left to calculate. But it would just be & 4 & Mr Dicker mentioned the decision of the US Federal \\
\hline 5 & the case that for the period between when it first & 5 & Court for the Southern District of New York in the Intel \\
\hline 6 & became payable and when it is eventually payable, you & 6 & Corporation case. I think it would be helpful for \\
\hline 7 & would be determining the cost of funding under two & 7 & your Lordship to see that case, because, in relation to \\
\hline 8 & separate provisions but using very similar language & 8 & loss, it reinforces what we say is the correct approach, \\
\hline 9 & My Lord, that shows quite how closely related & 9 & pproach which does not seek to \\
\hline 10 & loss and the default rate provisions are. As far as & 10 & eclude anything in advance, or mandate any particular \\
\hline 11 & loss is concerned, I think it would be very generally & 11 & approach but the role of the good faith and rationality \\
\hline 12 & accepted that we are not engaged in the searc & 12 & requirements thereafter. \\
\hline 13 & a single ultimate right answer. That which is produ & 13 & My Lord, we have that in authorities bundle 4, \\
\hline 14 & by the party acting in & 14 & tab 128. My Lord, it is one of those documents where \\
\hline 15 & I suppose, fairly described as a proxy, to s & 15 & the internal pagination is at the top of the page. \\
\hline 16 & It is an exercise in which I think even under the 1992 & 16 & My Lord, if one goes to at the top of the page, what \\
\hline 17 & form the use of models to determine what the loss would & 17 & is described as page 6 of 51 , one sees the nature of \\
\hline 18 & be, would be a matter & 18 & th \\
\hline 19 & My Lord, it is probably worth pausing and thinking & 19 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: This is Judge Chapman? \\
\hline 20 & that if one is in market quotation rather than loss, all & 20 & MR FOXTON: This is Judge Chapman, my Lo \\
\hline 21 & that is is the output of someone else's model, & 21 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: And she anal \\
\hline 22 & \[
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\] & 22 & R FOXTON: Your Lordship sees it is a dispute which, at \\
\hline 23 & a context here in which the use of models to determine & 23 & least in headline terms, is one which we would say is \\
\hline 24 & loss or cost is very standard & 24 & very similar to the nature of the dispute before \\
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surprising about it at all. \\
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\end{tabular} & 25 & your Lordship. Intel saying, basically:
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\hline 1 & Mr Dicker has shown your Lordship & 1 & oss however we see fit, so long \\
\hline 2 & have nonexclusive language expressly referring to the & 2 & as the calculation is made reasonably in good faith." \\
\hline 3 & permissibility of the use of models, but that is & 3 & Lehman contending that the master agreement, itself, \\
\hline 4 & implicit in the 1992 form, either your own mod & 4 & limited the calculation methodology to a particular one, \\
\hline 5 & someone else's. & 5 & rather here, as Wentworth submit, that the cost of \\
\hline 6 & My Lord, if one then stands back, we have, so far as & 6 & funding is limited to cost of a particular form of \\
\hline 7 & loss is concerned, clearly a regime in which very broad & 7 & funding. \\
\hline 8 & language is used. We would say that language is used & 8 & My Lord, that summary is repeated later on. I don't \\
\hline 9 & with a view not to cutting anything out on an a pr & 9 & think we need to turn to that again, but Judge Chapman's \\
\hline 10 & basis, but we have requirements of good faith and & 10 & analysis begins at page 24 of 51. \\
\hline 11 & rationality that then come into play, and we have & 11 & My Lord, having set out the quotation from the \\
\hline 12 & although the word "certification" is not used, & 12 & requisite part of the form, the judge notes: \\
\hline 13 & a self-certification regime within those constraints by & 13 & "Nothing in the text that explicitly mandates any \\
\hline 14 & the party serving the loss calculation. & 14 & particular calculation method or otherwise modifies the \\
\hline 15 & My Lord, we say that provides, really, very strong & 15 & plain meaning of that sentence." \\
\hline 16 & support for the view that, within the context of & 16 & Of course, my Lord, we would say, similarly here, \\
\hline 17 & the default rate, essentially, the same approach and the & 17 & nothing in the "cost of funding" language which \\
\hline 18 & same exercise is being undertaken. We have the general & 18 & explicitly mandates borrowing only. \\
\hline 19 & language "cost of funding" without any attempt to limit & 19 & My Lord, there is then reference to the user guide \\
\hline 20 & that to particular types. We have the & 20 & discussion of "loss". If one goes over to page 25 of \\
\hline 21 & self-certification. We have, it is accepted, within & 21 & 51, after the quotation which appears, Judge Chapman \\
\hline 22 & that, implied legal constraints of good faith and & 22 & notes: \\
\hline 23 & rationality. And we have the fact that, at least for & 23 & he loss is intended to provide the parties \\
\hline 24 & certain types of cost incurred, the court may be & 24 & exibility in selecting a method to calculate their \\
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doing -- or, rather, the parties may be doing -- exactly \\
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\end{tabular} & 25 & early termination payments and thereby functions as an Page 92 \\
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\hline 1 & express alternative to the rigid methodology of using & 1 & being models for loss because loss will always be \\
\hline 2 & market quotation." & 2 & a matter of modelling, or not always, but in many, many \\
\hline 3 & My Lord, perhaps I might invite your Lordship -- it & 3 & instances will be a matter of modelling, but one might \\
\hline 4 & may be your Lordship has already done so -- simply to & 4 & baulk, prima facie, at modelling for interest, if \\
\hline 5 & read through to page 27 of 51 , because we say that there & 5 & default rates and interest are broadly the same. \\
\hline 6 & is a great deal here which -- & 6 & I was trying to work out in my own mind why that \\
\hline 7 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: From, "Thus the users' guide on 20 & 7 & might be so, and I think the reason I suggested to \\
\hline 8 & ..." or where? & 8 & Mr Dicker, and still feel, is because the habit of \\
\hline 9 & MR FOXTON: From "Thus the users' guide" -- just after the & 9 & the law here -- I don't know whether in the \\
\hline 10 & qu & 10 & United States -- is to regard that as essentially an \\
\hline 11 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I have reached the foot of 27. Do you & 11 & impersonal, generic response which is required. \\
\hline 12 & want me to read over? & 12 & To iron out the very problems you have identified to \\
\hline 13 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, what is, we submit, very helpful in the & 13 & me of the infinite difficulties of determining how \\
\hline 14 & approach that Judge Chapman has taken there is of course & 14 & people would plug a gap. The response of the law has \\
\hline 15 & parties always urge on a court on this sort of argument & 15 & always been, as far as I know: \\
\hline 16 & the uncertainty and unpredictability that will come from & 16 & "You mustn't look at the individual, you mustn't \\
\hline 17 & the other side's approach & 17 & even worry whether he was a borrower or an investor. \\
\hline 18 & Lehman's have done it in this case when dealing with & 18 & You must simply ascribe a one-size-fits-all response, \\
\hline 19 & Intel's construction, and vice versa & 19 & which may vary, sometimes 1 per cent above LIBOR, \\
\hline 20 & noted, the clarity, certainty and predictability, whic & 20 & sometimes more than that, it depends on the market \\
\hline 21 & everyone agrees ISDA is looking to achieve, comes not & 21 & conditions, but it isn't made to measure." \\
\hline 22 & from trying to introduce limitations into contractua & 22 & I only put that out so that you see, you know, where \\
\hline 23 & language that does not have it, it comes from affording & 23 & I am struggling. \\
\hline 24 & a broad and flexible discretion to the party certifying, & 24 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, it is very helpful. It is fair to say \\
\hline 25 & the party who has suffered the cost of funding or the
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\] & 25 & that we have all been able to rid ourselves of common
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\hline 1 & loss, and then requiring them to act rationa & 1 & law concepts of damages when it comes to interpreting \\
\hline 2 & good faith in certifying & 2 & e loss provision, although I hop \\
\hline 3 & My Lord, we submit that the parallels, for the & 3 & say that perhaps on very early encounters with the form \\
\hline 4 & reasons I have developed, between issue of loss and & 4 & there were some judges who did tend to stray into more \\
\hline 5 & default rate are very close. Mr Zacaroli, I think, & 5 & familiar paths. \\
\hline 6 & would accept much of what I say if confined to a & 6 & As far as compensating for the time value of money \\
\hline 7 & interpretation of the "definition of "loss", but says & 7 & is concerned, I would suggest that is not an area where \\
\hline 8 & is not appropriate to carry that across into the "cost & 8 & the history of English law has been at its happiest. \\
\hline 9 & of funding" language in the default rate, but given the & 9 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: We didn't even recognise a right to \\
\hline 10 & similarity of the language that appears in both, the & 10 & interest for a very long \\
\hline 11 & similarity of the exercise, and the fact that, as we & 11 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, we didn't, and we had a succession of \\
\hline 12 & have seen, sometimes the default rate is simply & 12 & tutory interventions, and each of them gave rise to \\
\hline 13 & finishing off the same function that will already have & 13 & problems, and perhaps only with Sempra Metals has that \\
\hline 14 & been begun within the context of the loss calculation, & 14 & sort of historical legacy finally been done away with. \\
\hline 15 & we say there is every reason to approach the & 15 & My Lord, I quite accept that, in the exercise of \\
\hline 16 & construction of those two provisions on the assumption & 16 & the statutory procedural remedy at the end of a hearing, \\
\hline 17 & that they implement the same scheme and that they give & 17 & there are a number of simplifying assumptions built into \\
\hline 18 & effect to ISDA's desire for certainty and predictability & 18 & that. We would suggest that, because of the very \\
\hline 19 & in the same way. & 19 & different nature of the task, and, frankly, because of \\
\hline 20 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I mentioned broadly the same to & 20 & the rather unsatisfactory history of English law on \\
\hline 21 & Mr Dicker, and I appreciate that in -- if not throughout & 21 & interest, that that really is of rather little \\
\hline 22 & at least in due course, I have to rid myself of & 22 & assistance in working out the interpretation of this \\
\hline 23 & preconceptions from other more mundane matters. I was & 23 & contractual provision. \\
\hline 24 & trying to work out why instinctively, or in the case of & 24 & My Lord, there is perhaps another point I can make. \\
\hline 25 & my instinct, you don't baulk at the notion of there & 25 & There are, of course, costs of equity that don't require \\
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a model to arrive at them, I am going to show your Lordship some very shortly. Equally, in working out costs of funding by borrowing, one sees models used.
This is exactly what the joint administrators did in the witness statement that was placed before the court seeking to work out what the consequences of various arguments would be.

My Lord, one had various alternative approaches based upon weighted average cost of all borrowing, short-term borrowing, incremental long-term borrowing, and the results presented. It is certainly not the case that only equity can involve the use of models, any more than it is the case that all forms of equity require you to use a model to work out the cost of equity funding.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I suppose the other factor which I have been mulling over is on this side of the court, your side of the court and Mr Dicker, it is quite a sort of expansive version of "you take your victim as you find him", and if he is in a hopeless financial position, tipped into the most terrible problems by the events that happened with respect to Lehmans, it could be a very expensive answer, but you don't -- and particularly if you are right about who the original payee is, you may have a victim of the victim, as it were, without any appreciation, probably, when you Page 97
undertook the business, of that possibility.
I know that the control function of the certificate will iron out irrationality, though that might not be quite as easy to apply as it first seems, and good faith, but isn't it quite a sort of startling example of a very, very variable exposure?
MR FOXTON: My Lord, it is fair to say that, insofar as issue 10 is concerned, Goldmans are not --
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I know you don't say anything about that.
MR FOXTON: -- involved in this issue, and I will refrain from even offering a view as to who may be right and who may be wrong.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes.
MR FOXTON: My Lord, so far as the outcomes are concerned,
Goldmans have not yet certified their rate because they obviously want to be informed by the court's ruling on the clause. I think at an earlier stage the joint administrators had put forward a surplus entitlement proposal with a view to seeking agreement, which would have offered simple interest rates from 10 to 18 per cent. I think our expectation and the rate we anticipate certifying will be within that range. institution, for all I know.

MR FOXTON: My Lord, equally, one has seen costs of borrowing which can be very high, indeed. So far as "take your victim him as you find him" is concerned, one might say that equally, I suppose, about their ability to reflect their hedging arrangements, or lack of them, in the calculation of loss. It is certainly true of borrowing, where the terms on which they can borrow may differ very markedly.

We say we don't really materially add to the consequences that flow from "take your victim as you find them", but when concerned with what is ultimately a compensatory mechanism, if you have caused a greater cost of funding to your victim, there is really no injustice in requiring you to compensate them for that cost, rather than for some different and lesser cost.

My Lord, the other point I wanted to make, just finally on this topic, is this, that obviously what models are doing very often is they are seeking to predict future events. So when I go and get a market quotation to close down a position on a two-year swap transaction, for example, what very complicated algorithms are doing, using interest rate curves, and no doubt numerous other inputs, is to seek to arrive at where we would be down the line on a predicted basis to arrive at a present value of the position.
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Now, my Lord, if one is forward looking so far as borrowing is concerned, one is probably engaged similarly in a predictive exercise, if wanting to know how a rate will move -- if it is a tracker rate, for example, over a particular period. No doubt, again, using interest rate curves and other inputs to get there.

If one certifies at the end of the period, one is able to look back with the knowledge of what has happened. If one is dealing with the party who would have borrowed at a tracker rate, one is able to look back and see how the rate has moved. If one is dealing with cost of equity looking back, one knows what dividends have had to be paid over that period.

To some extent, the necessity of prediction, which is what models enable us to do, may be more driven by whether one is engaging in a prospective or retrospective exercise than it is by any fundamental difference between equity or debt as a way of funding.

My Lord, another point your Lordship made to Mr Dicker -- it may be related to the same issue -- is that if you're thinking of someone raising a sum of money for a specific purpose, such as to fund a specific default, I think my Lord felt that one would more naturally think of debt as a means of raising that Page 100
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\hline 1 & funding rather than equity, and that perhaps the natural & 1 & been. \\
\hline 2 & situation in which you would more likely contemplate & 2 & The words, whatever may be the commercial reality, \\
\hline 3 & equity being funded would be something to cover the & 3 & appear to indicate specific funding for the specifi \\
\hline 4 & needs of an enterprise as a whole, or at least a very & 4 & exp \\
\hline 5 & large and significant specific need, rather than one & 5 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, in relation to the first part of the \\
\hline 6 & a lesser size. & 6 & ds, a company might have actually funded it, not by \\
\hline 7 & My Lord, we would start from the definition of & 7 & entering into a funding transaction specifically an \\
\hline 8 & "defa & 8 & solely for the purpose of doing that, but by drawing \\
\hline 9 & there is nothing in there that requires the actual or & 9 & ing an allocation on a facility that \\
\hline 10 & notional funding to be one entered into for the specifi & 10 & which it is party or at parent level, \\
\hline 11 & purpose of funding the relevant amount. There are & 11 & or neither of those things may happen. It simply leaves \\
\hline 12 & a number of reasons for that. The relevant payee may & 12 & the hole and does not plug it, in which case one is \\
\hline 13 & not know what the relevant amount will be if it is in & 13 & cerned with the notional cost of d \\
\hline 14 & dispute. He certainly won't know, in the vast majority & 14 & ubmit, is still not the notion \\
\hline 15 & of cases, how long it will be outstanding & 15 & cost of a bespoke, specific transaction to fund that \\
\hline 16 & ally we say that is & 16 & amount if what in fact would have happened, had it \\
\hline 17 & simply not how entities fund themselves in the ordinary & 17 & sought to fund it, is it would have looked to benefit \\
\hline 18 & course. They will have general debt facilities which & 18 & from equity or debt funding raised at group level or \\
\hline 19 & will meet aggregate requirements for debt funding, just & 19 & raised for general corporate purposes and effectively \\
\hline 20 & as they will have equity raised for general corporate & 20 & allocate part of such a facility or such funding to plug \\
\hline 21 & rposes available where equity funding is required, and & 21 & this particular \\
\hline 22 & to the extent that it is, if they are members & 22 & My Lord, we would say that, on either side of that \\
\hline 23 & corporate groups, it is quite likely that the deb & 23 & of funding or if it were to fund, one is not driven \\
\hline 24 & equity funding is arranged at group level, with & 24 & to consider a specific purpose-built transaction, as it \\
\hline 25 & companies within the group being able to have an Page 101 & 25 & were, to fund this specific amount. One is still -Page 103 \\
\hline 1 & allocation dependent on their pa & 1 & indeed it is more likely to be the case -- entitled to \\
\hline 2 & ertainly looking at the position of financial & 2 & ok at an allocation from some wider general purpose \\
\hline 3 & institutions and the ordinary ISDA default, if I may & 3 & cility available to the company itself or the group of \\
\hline 4 & term it, I think the idea of going out and obtaining & 4 & which i \\
\hline 5 & a specific funding facility, debt or equity, to cove & 5 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: In circumstances, which may not be \\
\hline 6 & the default seems improbable, and an unlikely scen & 6 & completely hypothetical, you g \\
\hline 7 & Much more likely you will be drawing on existing general & 7 & disaster in 2008/2009, whenever it may be, of which \\
\hline 8 & purpose facilities, be they debt & 8 & there is a horrible perfect storm of individu \\
\hline 9 & My Lord, there is a decision of Mr Jus & 9 & exposures and regulators requiring much greater \\
\hline 10 & which it might be worth briefing looking at, referred to & 10 & otection than possibly they did in 2006, and they \\
\hline 11 & in the skeleton, Lehman Brothers v Sal Oppenheim, where & 11 & require much greater level of capital coverage. The \\
\hline 12 & one sees debt funding being arrived at not by reference & 12 & tution, be it large or small, is then confronted \\
\hline 13 & to a facility taken out or a notional facility for & 13 & the demands of its particular exposures, of which \\
\hline 14 & funding the specific default, but by reference to a much & 14 & rements of \\
\hline 15 & larger and indeed anterior debt facility taken out by & 15 & the reg \\
\hline 16 & the parent company & 16 & er both, I must go out into \\
\hline 17 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I can quite see that it is & 17 & he market and raise money from albeit a more expensive \\
\hline 18 & commercially unlikely that people, big institutions, or & 18 & urce, nevertheless one which will suit me over the \\
\hline 19 & even small institutions, do sort of piecemeal funding & 19 & onger term." \\
\hline 20 & and simply identify a possible exposure and go out and & 20 & Is the master agreement requiring, notwithstanding \\
\hline 21 & cover it and no more. The architecture, for want of & 21 & decision is motivated by those two factors, is the \\
\hline 22 & a better word, seems to contemplate two possibilities. & 22 & ounterparty, as it were, to be held harmless against \\
\hline 23 & One is that there has actually been funding of that & 23 & its superadded costs, or do you say that is all part of \\
\hline 24 & sort -- you may say not -- or, if there hasn't been, you & 24 & the certification process? \\
\hline 25 & then have to envisage the counterfactual if there had Page 102 & 25 & \begin{tabular}{l}
MR FOXTON: My Lord, I do say that, but I think in fairness \\
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to your Lordship I should expand a little by way of response.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes.
MR FOXTON: First of all, if there is an occasion in which
one can link the need to raise equity funding to the default of a particular institution under ISDA master agreements, plural, it is this one. The consequences to all of those on the other end of ISDA master agreements
from the various entities in the Lehman empire were very significant, and if one added all of that together, it was a very large sum. Then one is -- I accept this isn't usually the case -- getting pretty close to a situation where you would be raising equity for that purpose anyway.

To move more closely to my Lord's example, if one had the situation where the company or the entity simply wasn't permitted to raise any more funding by way of debt, and the only means open to it to plug the hole was equity, we would say that there could not conceivably be any legitimate complaint on the part of the defaulting party if that is the cost that it now has to bear.

My Lord, if one accepts that as the premise, one then has to accept that the wording is capable of embracing funding of that kind, and one then is in the realms of good faith and rationality as to the Page 105

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My Lord, otherwise, it could lead to a number of sort of rather arbitrary distinctions. If, for example, the current requirements would permit me to raise funding by way of debt, that the expectation in the market is that those will be changed such that if I do raise this funding by way of debt I could then find myself having to go out and raise equity funding almost immediately afterwards, it would, we would submit, be very odd if a party who acted in anticipation was held thereby to have precluded themselves from recovering the actual cost of funding they incurred.

So we do some back to rationality and good faith as the only reliable touchstones here to distinguish what is within the clause and what is not. The attempt at construction level to say either never any equity funding or only if it was the only legal way of raising funding at the time, will just lead to a number of very arbitrary divides.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Just to take another more particular
example, but within that construct. Supposing in the mega issue which is required to solve the regulator's problems and your own institution's problems as regards counterparties, the costs of placing and underwriting or anything like that are absolutely ginormous, do you

MR FOXTON: Well, rationally and in good faith.
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MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Not irrationally?
MR FOXTON: No.
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Someone may say it is perfectly rational. How effective is this control system? We can't have "proper", we can't have "reasonable", it has got to be "not bonkers", doesn't it?
MR FOXTON: In terms of rationality, we have obviously borrowed that language from -- I say "we", I mean contract lawyers have borrowed the language from --
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Wednesbury.
MR FOXTON: -- Wednesbury. The reason we have done so --
MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: And because Lord Justice Rix told us to.
MR FOXTON: My Lord, sometimes in life there is more than one reasonable answer to a problem. That is the difficulty. When one presents issues to the court ordinarily, there is simply a binary choice. There is a right answer, simply because there will be a judicial determination at the end of the process that becomes the right answer.

Although I understand why your Lordship says "not
bonkers", what that really is a shorthand for is saying, if there are a range of what can properly be described as reasonable answers, the party certifying does not get trumped simply because I prefer my reasonable answer to

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\hline 1 & his reasonable answer. & 1 & of funding that the relevant payee has incurred and \\
\hline 2 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: That is better than "bonkers", yes. & 2 & you have no legitimate basis to complain about that when \\
\hline 3 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, we say if you go back and look at the & 3 & it all follows from your default and not paying what you \\
\hline 4 & cases on contractual discretion, that is really what & 4 & ere legally obliged to pay." \\
\hline 5 & they are saying. & 5 & , your Lords \\
\hline 6 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Your answer is that the no & 6 & Mr Justice Burton's judgment in the Sal Oppenheim case \\
\hline 7 & swer to & 7 & undle 3, tab 60. My Lord, it is fair \\
\hline 8 & Goldman Sachs' efforts to recover the superadded costs & 8 & e spent arguing \\
\hline 9 & of a very large rights issue to, for example, whatever & 9 & raction \\
\hline 10 & its equivalent would be, having regard to your corporate & 10 & the attention which the calculation of the default \\
\hline 11 & st & 11 & e is rec \\
\hline 12 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, it would. I suppose I would go further & 12 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: It is what? \\
\hline 13 & and say, let's imagine that by the time you come to fund & 13 & MR FOXTON: It would be but a fraction of the time we are \\
\hline 14 & this loss the Government has, for reasons of, I don't & 14 & dering this point. It has not had \\
\hline 15 & know, control of the economy, decided to put interes & 15 & anything like the same in-depth study. \\
\hline 16 & rates up to 20 to 30 per cent or has introduced controls & 16 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Is it 3 or 2 ? \\
\hline 17 & on & 17 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, it appears it is 2 for everyone else, \\
\hline 18 & so great that the only way in which you can borrow money & 18 & b \\
\hline 19 & is at some huge rate of interest, no doubt the very same & 19 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I think it might be 2 in my lo \\
\hline 20 & points your Lordship is putting to me in relation to the & 20 & \\
\hline 21 & ef & 21 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, the issue relating to the default rate \\
\hline 22 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I don't think it would, actually, & 22 & is picked up at paragraph 48. My Lord, evidence was put \\
\hline 23 & becau & 23 & in fact not as to the costs of a sort \\
\hline 24 & particular exposure. My question is when the costs \(d\) d & 24 & cific funding being raised by the \\
\hline 25 & this particular exposure but relate & 25 & claimant, but as to senior credit default swaps of its \\
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\hline 1 & \multirow[t]{9}{*}{to some other need which, if satisfied, will also deal with exposure. Do you see what I mean? There is a crisis. You default or someone defaults against you, and the regulators have their requirements. You need much more money than the particular exposure because you need not only to cover but to double up your cushion, and the doubling up cushion costs a fortune. I am just puzzling whether irrationality will enable the other party to say, "Well, I'm not going to pay for that".} & \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{parent. My Lord, at 51 to 53, various points were taken} \\
\hline 2 & & 2 & to the sufficiency and, indeed, relevance \\
\hline 3 & & 3 & the evidence put forward \\
\hline 4 & & 4 & ou will see that the rate in fact used was taken \\
\hline 5 & & 5 & from a debtor in possession credit agreement, entered \\
\hline 6 & & 6 & into by the parent prior to the -- I think on \\
\hline 7 & & 7 & 17 September, which would have had a minimum lending \\
\hline 8 & & 8 & te of 11 per cent. At paragraph 53 Mr Justice Burton \\
\hline 9 & & 9 & accepted that that was an available source of funding to \\
\hline 10 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, at the end of the day, in order to be & 10 & the company. He took the 11 per cent and added the \\
\hline 11 & e & 11 & default rate 1 per cent to arrive at 12 per cent \\
\hline 12 & ant amount. Both as to the principal & 12 & compo \\
\hline 13 & if I can call it that -- & 13 & My Lord, it is interesting in passing simply because \\
\hline 14 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Funding the relevant amount. & 14 & the suggestion that it is only when one gets into costs \\
\hline 15 & MR FOXTON: -- and the period of time for which you will be & 15 & of equity that one is going to be worried about \\
\hline 16 & paying this rate, those are both specific. & 16 & ceeding the Judgments Act rate. Plainly not correct, \\
\hline 17 & my Lord, I would suggest that the very same issues can & 17 & one can have high borrowing levels. \\
\hline 18 & and probably did arise during the financial crisis & 18 & Here the facility was for I think \$450 million, \\
\hline 19 & terms of debt funding, and for the defaulting party to & 19 & hereas the amount being recovered was about \\
\hline 20 & say, you know, the reason you are having to borrow at & 20 & 2.96 million euros. The facility had been taken out by \\
\hline 21 & 25 per cent has very little to do with me, I could never & 21 & e parent rather than by the relevant payee, but \\
\hline 22 & have foreseen that when I entered into my ISDA master & 22 & onetheless it provided -- because it would have been \\
\hline 23 & agreement with you back in 1996. The answer to that & 23 & nding available to the claimant as the subsidiary, \\
\hline 24 & would all be: & 24 & Mr Justice Burton felt able to determine the default \\
\hline 25 & "Well, you know, at the end of the day, that is the & 25 & rate by reference to it. \\
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\hline 1 & My Lord, in a number of respects, therefore, in the & 1 & almost any form of debt funding is capable, as a matter \\
\hline 2 & absence of sort of transaction-specific funding, the & 2 & of construction, of falling within the clause, equity is \\
\hline 3 & fact that it's involved funding being raised at parent & 3 & not \\
\hline 4 & level which is available to the subsidiary, we say that & 4 & My Lord, we were asked at an earlier stage in this \\
\hline 5 & this illustrates that the cost of funding, or "if it & 5 & case to provide further information of costs of funding \\
\hline 6 & were to fund" language is not contemplating or at least & 6 & premised upon equity funding rather than debt. My Lord, \\
\hline 7 & certainly not requiring funding to be on the basis of & 7 & e gave some further information in volume 7, beginning \\
\hline 8 & the payee either actually or notionally entering into & 8 & at page 187. \\
\hline 9 & a specific funding transaction for the specific amount & 9 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: In the old days, the US practice for \\
\hline 10 & payable under the closeout provision. & 10 & countancy and our practice with respect \\
\hline 11 & My Lord, the third topic I wanted to go to was just & 11 & atment of preference shares was in fact polar \\
\hline 12 & to look, by reference to some real-world examples -- & 12 & opposites. We counted them as shares and they counted \\
\hline 13 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I think in your skeleton argument, & 13 & them as debt. \\
\hline 14 & I was just trying to see it, you say that in this case & 14 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, yes, and the accounting treatment, one \\
\hline 15 & the certificate was not accepted because there was & 15 & suspects, is capable of changing over time as well. \\
\hline 16 & literally no evidence to support it, or at least it & 16 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I don't know what the position is \\
\hline 17 & seemed to be confounded by such evidence as there was. & 17 & under IFRS, but there we are, yes. \\
\hline 18 & Is that right? & 18 & Anyway, your extra evidence? \\
\hline 19 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, the evidence at paragraph 48 was, & 19 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, yes. Page 188 is the first example, \\
\hline 20 & I think, effectively unsupported. When one looks at & 20 & ich was the Goldman Sachs Group preferred equity \\
\hline 21 & paragraph 50, what the & 21 & My Lord, this was a way in which the Goldman Sachs \\
\hline 22 & "Mr Singh has not sought to evid & 22 & Group did actually fund itself following the insolvency \\
\hline 23 & borrowing of monies." & 23 & of Lehman. \\
\hline 24 & Then the first point taken is parag & 24 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Do I have the right thing? Volume \\
\hline 25 & "On the face of Mr Singh's evidence, he said nothing Page 113 & 25 & \begin{tabular}{l}
is correspondence. \\
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\end{tabular} \\
\hline 1 & about the position on 15 December, & 1 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, it is an unlikely place for it to \\
\hline 2 & payment date ar & 2 & pear, but that's how it's been treated \\
\hline 3 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: You draw the line at "no evidence", & 3 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: It is a letter from Cleary Gottlieb, \\
\hline 4 & not "sufficient evidence for the purpose of settlin & 4 & is it? \\
\hline 5 & a certificate"? I know you are going to get on to & 5 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, that's right. The letter begins at \\
\hline 6 & certificates, but just so I am forewarned & 6 & 187. \\
\hline 7 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, the clause says that no evidence is & 7 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Thank you. \\
\hline 8 & required, and I suppose the word "certification", one & 8 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, there are various examples given of \\
\hline 9 & ordinarily contemplates the single piece of paper with & 9 & sts of equity funding actually incurred by financial \\
\hline 10 & the assert & 10 & institutions in response to the financial crisis that \\
\hline 11 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I see. & 11 & followed Lehman's insolvency. \\
\hline 12 & MR FOXTON: But it appeared at least that Mr Justice Burton & 12 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes. \\
\hline 13 & was concerned that the document in its terms wasn't & 13 & MR FOXTON: Your Lordship will have seen the summary of \\
\hline 14 & enough to satisfy & 14 & e provisions there, that you have dividends in a fixed \\
\hline 15 & the clause had been met, but the conclusion he did & 15 & sum of 10 per cent per year. \\
\hline 16 & arrive at by reference to the 11 per cent source of & 16 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Where are you reading now? \\
\hline 17 & funding available to the parent under a much larger & 17 & MR FOXTON: Paragraph 1(a) on page 188. \\
\hline 18 & facility was capable of providing a basis for assessing & 18 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I have it, yes. \\
\hline 19 & an interest rate of 11 plus 1,12 per cent in the end. & 19 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, as we will see after the shorthand \\
\hline 20 & My Lord, debt and equity. Phrases which obviously & 20 & writer's break, if for any reason they weren't paid in \\
\hline 21 & are very easy to band about in the abstract. It arises, & 21 & a year, they didn't disappear. The entitlement was \\
\hline 22 & because certainly I think on Wentworth's submission the & 22 & rolled up to be paid out next time. You had \\
\hline 23 & touchstone for funding that is in and funding that is & 23 & a redemption price, so that rather like capitalising the \\
\hline 24 & out is, in part, to be answered by reference to those & 24 & benefit of the dividends otherwise payable, if the \\
\hline 25 & distinctions. Debt can be in -- as I understand it, & 25 & company wanted to redeem the preferred stock, you had to \\
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline 1 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Do you wish a right of reply? & 1 & For certain types of subordinated debt, one suspects \\
\hline 2 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, it is a general thing. We come on to & 2 & your prospects of receiving your payment will be rather \\
\hline 3 & this when we look at Wentworth's response on the hybrid. & 3 & greater as the holder of preferred equity than as the \\
\hline 4 & The problem is you get interrelated parts when you get & 4 & holder of limited recourse subordinated debt. \\
\hline 5 & a funding package. It is really very difficult to try & 5 & The joint administrators suggest, "Well, is the \\
\hline 6 & and strip either a single element, or parts of them, & 6 & distinction between when you have a fixed amount that \\
\hline 7 & isolation. That, we say, is a further difficulty in & 7 & you are obliged to pay, as opposed to an amount which is \\
\hline 8 & trying to say, well, the debt parts of a hybrid & 8 & discretionary?" \\
\hline 9 & transaction are capable of constituting cost of funding & 9 & My Lord, the equity or hybrid instruments we have \\
\hline 10 & but & 10 & looked at do involve a fixed amount, but, again, one \\
\hline 11 & My Lord, the final example that we gav & 11 & could have forms of borrowing where, if the amount \\
\hline 12 & page 189 -- I don't think we need to look at that in any & 12 & payable is what is left at the bottom of a waterfall, \\
\hline 13 & detail. That was another financial institution, & 13 & there could be a variable amount there, income notes and \\
\hline 14 & Morg & 14 & ers of that natur \\
\hline 15 & that case noncumulative, convertible preferred & 15 & nother suggestion made by the joint administrators \\
\hline 16 & Fixed dividend, once again, of 10 per cent, and the & 16 & is, well, if the payment is discretionary, that \\
\hline 17 & redemption price, once again, involving a premiun & 17 & represents the point of distinction. But \\
\hline 18 & the f & 18 & non-payment of dividends on preferred equity carries \\
\hline 19 & My Lord, those are only illustrative of the vast & 19 & legal consequences, including the rolling up of \\
\hline 20 & array of potential financial instruments by & 20 & the dividend, and in due course you can have scenarios \\
\hline 21 & of the ISDA form could fund or plug hole & 21 & where if you don't pay dividends for a period of time \\
\hline 22 & balance sheets following a default. But, m & 22 & the holders of the preferred stock are able to put their \\
\hline 23 & say that they do reveal the essentially artifi & 23 & own directors on the board and so forth, all matters of \\
\hline 24 & nature of the distinction & 24 & commercial significance. Equally, borrowing facilities \\
\hline 25 & administrators are inviting the
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\] & 25 & may enable the debtor to postpone the point of payment Page 123 \\
\hline 1 & interpreting the phrase "cost of funding" & 1 & \\
\hline 2 & include cost of funding with a debt character & 2 & , my Lord, we submit that none of those provide \\
\hline 3 & My Lord, it might be worth just picking up some & 3 & any satisfactory touchstone for distinguishing between \\
\hline 4 & the points of distinction which it is suggested may & 4 & debt funding and equity funding. It is a distinction \\
\hline 5 & represent, as it were, the means by which the court can & 5 & hich, were it to be read into the clause \\
\hline 6 & distinguish what is in from what is out. Wentworth & 6 & the exercise of construction, would generate endless \\
\hline 7 & says, "Well, only borrowing imposes an obligation to & 7 & spute and really destroy the predictability and \\
\hline 8 & repay". My Lord, that is not true of perpetual & 8 & certainty which ISDA were looking to achieve. \\
\hline 9 & borrowing, such as perpetual subordinated borrowing or & 9 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: This all circles around the notion of \\
\hline 10 & perpetual notes, perpetual bonds. But in economic & 10 & onditional exposure \\
\hline 11 & substance, if a borrower has an unrestricted right to & 11 & ithe \\
\hline 12 & defer payment of principal for so long as they are & 12 & ed percentage or by reference to ordinary shares is \\
\hline 13 & paying interest, it is not meaningful to say that there & 13 & not the same as a cos \\
\hline 14 & is an obligation to repay the amount there at a fixed & 14 & MR FOXTON: I think, my Lord, we would say that if one \\
\hline 15 & point in time. If one is talking about limited recourse & 15 & looks, for example, at the 10 per cent payable on the \\
\hline 16 & borrowing, the repayment obligation will be conditioned & 16 & Goldman Sachs preference shares issued to Berkshire \\
\hline 17 & by the availability from the limited recourse assets of & 17 & Hathaway, to say that that is not properly described as \\
\hline 18 & funds to do that. & 18 & a cost of that funding is really a commercially absurd \\
\hline 19 & My Lord, we say that isn't a legitima & 19 & statement. The fact that you do not have \\
\hline 20 & distinguishing between the two. The distinction that & 20 & unimpeachable right to receive that amount at the same \\
\hline 21 & borrowing carries interest in equity does not -- we have & 21 & point every year, at least under English and I think \\
\hline 22 & just looked at the coupons payable on either preferred & 22 & New York preferred equity, does not prevent the right \\
\hline 23 & equity or hybrid instruments, which we would say it is & 23 & accumulating, nor does it prevent the advers \\
\hline 24 & very difficult indeed meaningfully to distinguish from & 24 & consequences for not paying it. \\
\hline 25 & interest payable on a loan. & 25 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I think one of the distinctions may \\
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\hline 1 & be, or may be suggested to be, the right of & 1 & knowledge as to the proper law that will govern the \\
\hline 2 & participation, however measured, is not the same as & 2 & actual or notional funding transaction. There i \\
\hline 3 & a cost. The giving of a right is not in exposing & 3 & nothing that requires that to be governed by the sam \\
\hline 4 & a cost -- entitlement to it is not a claim in cost, i & 4 & law. Attempting to use refined distinctions under \\
\hline 5 & you like & 5 & English law as to the form of particular types of \\
\hline 6 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, I see the point, but we would say that, & 6 & contract as opposed to their economic substance would \\
\hline 7 & st of all, with limited recourse debt one coul & 7 & cause very real difficulties if the funding is obtained \\
\hline 8 & describe that as a right of participation in some ways, & 8 & or would have been obtained not under an English law \\
\hline 9 & and yet there is no suggestion that that is not capable & 9 & transaction, but under something very different. \\
\hline 10 & of constituting a cost. And that from the commercial & 10 & My Lord, that would be a further reason why we would \\
\hline 11 & perspective, the suggestion that a fixed coupon o & 11 & say that the draftsman uses general language and why the \\
\hline 12 & preferred equity was not a cost of the funding is one & 12 & court should not be looking to read it down by reference \\
\hline 13 & that would strike users of the form as a very technical, & 13 & to either the English law procedural history of court \\
\hline 14 & uncommercial & 14 & awards of interest or other formal distinctions drawn \\
\hline 15 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: It is a distinction drawn, isn't it? & 15 & between loans and sale contracts, for example, when \\
\hline 16 & I mean, for accounting purposes may be equated and & 16 & their economic rationale and intent is to achieve the \\
\hline 17 & brought out all sorts of reasons why they & 17 & same outcome. \\
\hline 18 & commercially analogous. A share is a share and debt & 18 & My Lord, I have mentioned Wentworth's response on \\
\hline 19 & debt. There are differences, aren't there? & 19 & hybrid instruments, which is to say, well, the debt \\
\hline 20 & MR FOXTON: I suppose it partly comes to this question -- & 20 & parts of them are debt and can fall within the clause, \\
\hline 21 & your Lordship mentioned accounting, there are forms of & 21 & and the rest cannot \\
\hline 22 & debt & 22 & I think the way in which it is put is that, for the \\
\hline 23 & Repo agreements with the sale and repurchase are always & 23 & purpose of certifying, you would disentangle the costs \\
\hline 24 & accounted as loans. They take the legal form of a sale & 24 & of borrowing from the costs of equity. \\
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contract, on the one hand, and an obligation to \\
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\end{tabular} & 25 & My Lord, it is artificial, for reasons we have Page 127 \\
\hline 1 & repurc & 1 & already given, when you have a package of rights, to \\
\hline 2 & others, where one is ab & 2 & think you can take out one part without allowing for the \\
\hline 3 & economic terms, something that is indistinguishable from & 3 & fact that it was negotiated as part of a greater whole. \\
\hline 4 & borrowing through the legal form of something & 4 & But, once again, it is very difficult to see how both \\
\hline 5 & not a loan & 5 & the draftsman and the users of the form can have \\
\hline 6 & My Lord, & 6 & contemplated that exercise. \\
\hline 7 & contention being urged on your Lordship is that & 7 & The idea that the party certifying needs to sit down \\
\hline 8 & of funding falls to be tested by the legal form rathe & 8 & and engage in some disentangling exercise from the \\
\hline 9 & than the commercial character of the instrument. & 9 & hybrid funding it has used or would have used and the \\
\hline 10 & that is the sugge & 10 & scope for dispute thereafter when the other party says, \\
\hline 11 & suggest it would cause consternation in the commerci & 11 & "Well, I don't accept that the bits you have identified \\
\hline 12 & community using that. It would not accord with their & 12 & as the debt element really are the debt elements". \\
\hline 13 & reasonable expectations of how the phrase "cost of & 13 & My Lord, we say that would be a recipe for \\
\hline 14 & funding" would be achieved & 14 & litigation which might have champagne corks popping in \\
\hline 15 & My & 15 & the Temple and elsewhere, but would be a source of great \\
\hline 16 & distinction has been drawn not to give effect to some & 16 & dissatisfaction on behalf of those who use the form. \\
\hline 17 & words that do appear in the contract which doesn't & 17 & My Lord, in terms of where this call goes, it almost \\
\hline 18 & distinguish between one type of funding and another, but & 18 & comes back to where we started, that one has a continuum \\
\hline 19 & to serve some inherent but unstated limitation & 19 & of methods of funding and of financial instruments \\
\hline 20 & \multirow[t]{2}{*}{MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: You say there are millions of means of funding and you have to pay the cost of it?} & 20 & available to a party looking to obtain funding. There \\
\hline 21 & & 21 & aren't the clear, bright line divides between debt and \\
\hline 22 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, that is it. & 22 & equity that Wentworth would suggest. The attempt to \\
\hline 23 & My Lord, obviously we are concerned with construing & 23 & draw those divides would lead to transactions which are \\
\hline 24 & an English law, or in the case of others, New York law & 24 & commercially virtually identical being treated in \\
\hline 25 & governed viz the contract. But one has absolutely no & 25 & different ways. Given all those difficulties, and then \\
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\hline 1 & to stick with the requirements identified in Socimer of & 1 & scope of the certification exercise which the contract \\
\hline 2 & rationality and good faith & 2 & provides, and we accept that if you \\
\hline 3 & I think Mr Trower mentioned in opening that there & 3 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Where is the wording? \\
\hline 4 & was an issue about whether Goldman Sachs were contending & 4 & MR FOXTON: There are two formulations. Our suggested \\
\hline 5 & that rationality extended to the construction of & 5 & rmulation is in the supplemental skeleton, in \\
\hline 6 & the clause, such that if the certifying party had taken & 6 & volume 3. My Lord, tab 7, page 18, paragraph 36. \\
\hline 7 & a reasonable but erroneous view of what the clause & 7 & My Lord, that is competing draft 1. \\
\hline 8 & meant, was it protected? We don't suggest that is the & 8 & Competing draft 2, one can find it in the same \\
\hline 9 & position. Your Lordship will decide what the clause & 9 & bundle, tab 1, page 38. My Lord, it is the very top of \\
\hline 10 & means, and it will fall to the relevant parties to apply & 10 & at page. That is the joint administrators' suggested \\
\hline 11 & that construction. That is equally true, of course, for & 11 & ording. \\
\hline 12 & those seeking to challenge certificates as it is for & 12 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Is this something capable of being \\
\hline 13 & those who will be issuing them. & 13 & ironed out between you? \\
\hline 14 & My Lord, can I briefly just check whether there are & 14 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, I think it is, because actually I don't \\
\hline 15 & any other points I need to raise now & 15 & detect a disagreement of principle. It may be it is one \\
\hline 16 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes. & 16 & of those scenarios where one is, in a sense, seeing \\
\hline 17 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, Mr Morrison reminds me that it may be & 17 & problems where they don't really arise. Perhaps if we \\
\hline 18 & part of the problem & 18 & can be satisfied that more isn't intended by this than \\
\hline 19 & competing language as to how one reflects the fact that & 19 & what we understand to be intended, namely, we are all \\
\hline 20 & it is the court's construction that falls to be applied & 20 & stuck, if I may so put it, with the construction of \\
\hline 21 & by the parties when the certification process is & 21 & clause that the court adopts, then I don't think \\
\hline 22 & undertaken & 22 & re ought to be any problem. I will have a word with \\
\hline 23 & The way in which the issue is form & 23 & my learned friend outside court and see if that is where \\
\hline 24 & moment is a certificate won't be conclusive if it is & 24 & are \\
\hline 25 & "something other than the relevant payee's costs if it & 25 & My Lord, unless I can assist your Lordship any \\
\hline & Page 133 & & Page 135 \\
\hline 1 & were to fund or of funding the relevant amount". & 1 & further. \\
\hline 2 & concern we have with that formulation is, on one view, & 2 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: It is only a tiny point, but on \\
\hline 3 & it might be said to open up more than simply disputes as & 3 & manifest error, supposing there was some obvious error \\
\hline 4 & to construction of the clause which the court had & 4 & on the face of the certificate -- too many naughts, or \\
\hline 5 & already ruled upon, and might, if misinterpreted, open & 5 & something like that -- that would be just correctable \\
\hline 6 & up arguments on issues of fact without limiting them by & 6 & under what jurisdiction? \\
\hline 7 & the criteria of goo & 7 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, plainly, the end result has to be \\
\hline 8 & We would sugge & 8 & rational, and if it's some, you know, figure whereby \\
\hline 9 & should be that a certificate won't be binding when the & 9 & looking at it you can see something has gone obviously \\
\hline 10 & certification does not fall within the scope & 10 & wrong with the thing and therefore the end product is \\
\hline 11 & the expression "costs if it were to fund or of funding & 11 & not rational, I would have thought that would be \\
\hline 12 & the relevant amount", as those words have been construed & 12 & corrected on grounds of irrationality. \\
\hline 13 & by the court. Hopefully we are shooting at the same & 13 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: If there were a miscalculation by \\
\hline 14 & target. The legal issue of construction is not to be & 14 & reference to criteria which were not capable of being \\
\hline 15 & re-opened thereafter. That is not meant in any way to & 15 & disturbed, so that the sum stated in the certificate was \\
\hline 16 & add any further scope of challenge beyond that of & 16 & mply wrong and exposed as being so, what would that \\
\hline 17 & rationality or good faith & 17 & be? \\
\hline 18 & \multirow[t]{2}{*}{MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I'm not sure that I have fully grasped the difference between the wording. But the general} & 18 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, you then get into -- I'm not even \\
\hline 19 & & 19 & certain that would be a manifest error, because that \\
\hline 20 & import is that if it purports to be but is not according & 20 & would all depend upon what process was inherent within \\
\hline 21 & to whatever criteria established by the law in fact, is & 21 & the words "exposed as being so". \\
\hline 22 & not a certificate, that concludes the issue. & 22 & Obviously there is a tension here between finality \\
\hline 23 & MR FOXTON: If what has been certified is not what the court & 23 & on the one hand and giving at least some limited scope \\
\hline 24 & has construed the clause to cover, then effectively you & 24 & for challenge on the other. The irrationality test has \\
\hline 25 & have applied a different meaning, you are not within the & 25 & the benefit, at least, of not confining a party to \\
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\hline 1 & a particular document for the purposes of demonstrating & 1 & Opening submissions by MR ZACAROL \\
\hline 2 & that irrationality, whereas the concept of manifest & 2 & MR ZACAROLI: My Lord, may I begin by offering a small route \\
\hline 3 & error, at least on some interpretations, might do & 3 & map of where we are going on submissions on this side. \\
\hline 4 & My Lord, if a party could show this end product does not & 4 & st of all, to make this point, that I shall \\
\hline 5 & rationally follow from the preceding stages, that would & 5 & conducting the case insofar as it relates to issues 11 \\
\hline 6 & be a basis on which you could bring an irrationalit & 6 & to 13, and indeed all of the ISDA issues, so far as \\
\hline 7 & challenge & 7 & nglish and New York law are concerned. In relation to \\
\hline 8 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: If the irrationality challenge were & 8 & e German issues, my Lord will have the benefit of \\
\hline 9 & brought and the approach were held to be rational, or & 9 & A team, and Mr Allison and Mr Al-Attar will be \\
\hline 10 & not irrational, but the calculation of the sums involved & 10 & e case. If I disappear at \\
\hline 11 & within that approach turned & 11 & at part, there is no disrespect to the cou \\
\hline 12 & mathematically, or had adopted a premise which was & 12 & erm \\
\hline 13 & si & 13 & As far as the English issues are concerned, I will \\
\hline 14 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, my understanding is irrationality & 14 & adopt the same order for my Lord's convenience as \\
\hline 15 & wouldn't only go to the approach or procedure, but th & 15 & Mr Dicker adopted, namely, starting with issue 11, in \\
\hline 16 & outcome has to be a rational outcome. If you have som & 16 & the course of which I will wrap up I suspect most of \\
\hline 17 & re & 17 & points under issues 12 and possibly 13 as well, but \\
\hline 18 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: No irrationality in arithmetic, & 18 & will deal with what is left at the end. I will then \\
\hline 19 & what you are saying? & 19 & deal with issue 10 \\
\hline 20 & MR FOXTON: & 20 & 11, and, again, a short preview \\
\hline 21 & of points to sort of deal with them in the abstract. & 21 & e subheadings. The first subheading will be related \\
\hline 22 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes. That is what you are asking me & 22 & to funding, the word "funding" in its context, properly \\
\hline 23 & to do. & 23 & meaning "borrowing". The second subheading will be \\
\hline 24 & MR FOXTON: My Lord, & 24 & "Cost" and what the meaning of "cost" is in context. \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{25} & answer that I would put to your Lordship is, at least on & 25 & third is a subset of that, which is the point that \\
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\hline & the authorities on contractual discretion, no-one has & 1 & "cost" means what has to be paid, as opposed to any \\
\hline 2 & seen it necessary thus far to identify a separate & 2 & amount that the party might choose to pay, in order to \\
\hline 3 & category of manifest error going beyond whatever follows & 3 & anchor the rationality test in concrete. \\
\hline 4 & from a decision being not one reasonably open, and, & 4 & e fourth subheading will then address the question \\
\hline 5 & therefore, it would be a contentious extension of & 5 & whether equity, cost of equity, is in or outside the \\
\hline 6 & the existing law, we would submit, to do that. & 6 & definition, and we say, of course, it is outside the \\
\hline 7 & The same problems might even arise if an issue of & 7 & definition. I have specific points relating to equity. \\
\hline 8 & manifest error was included, dependent upon what was & 8 & h subheading then will be responding to \\
\hline 9 & relevant for the purposes of showing the error and when & 9 & particular arguments ranged against us from the SCG and \\
\hline 10 & an error is and is not manifest. I am not sure that & 10 & Goldman Sachs, particularly of course focusing of \\
\hline 11 & either party would really be offering your Lordship in & 11 & equity, because that is the main challenge there. \\
\hline 12 & the abstract a complete answer & 12 & Then, finally, I will pick up the joint \\
\hline 13 & What I think one can say is that, where one is able & 13 & administrators' questions they have posed in their \\
\hline 14 & to look at something and see that something has gone & 14 & skeleton, including I will deal briefly with their \\
\hline 15 & obviously wrong in it, so the decision doesn't follow & 15 & ditional question, which is: what happens when the \\
\hline 16 & through from the grounds that are supposedly being used & 16 & levant payee cannot borrow? That has been addressed \\
\hline 17 & to arrive at it, there ought to be the basis of an & 17 & uring the course of submissions, and I will pick that \\
\hline 18 & irrationality challenge of some sort there. & 18 & up at the end, if I may. \\
\hline 19 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I see manifest error can mean either & 19 & Turning then to issue 11. My Lord has seen the \\
\hline 20 & obviously wrong after enquiry or obviously wrong on its & 20 & levant expression many times that we are here \\
\hline 21 & face & 21 & fining. The expression is, "A rate per annum equal to \\
\hline 22 & MR FOXTON: Or something in between. & 22 & the cost of the relevant payee if it were to fund or of \\
\hline 23 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: -- or obviously wrong after a great & 23 & funding the relevant amount". \\
\hline 24 & deal of thought. I can see that there are shadings. & 24 & The preliminary point is this, that the default rate \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{25} & You have been very helpful. Thank you very much. & 25 & has been defined as the cost of obtaining replacement \\
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\hline 1 & funding. That is, I think, common ground and it is very & 1 & important background to the draftsman of the agreement. \\
\hline 2 & clear on the wording of the definition. & 2 & ing the first point, the user guides, and for \\
\hline 3 & That is to be contrasted with a possible alternative & 3 & is, as I say, we need to track the origin of this \\
\hline 4 & way of recompensing someone who hasn't been pai & 4 & nition back to when it first emerged. The \\
\hline 5 & namely, the lost opportunity to make profits if they had & 5 & definition emerged first in a 1987 ISDA agreement. It \\
\hline 6 & been paid the sum. & 6 & ording ever since -- \\
\hline 7 & There is an obvious reason for that course being & 7 & e default rate, that is, has had the same wording ever \\
\hline 8 & adopted, namely, that if you do go out and replace the & 8 & since. \\
\hline 9 & sum, you can then make the profits that yo & 9 & Bef \\
\hline 10 & otherwise say you would have made. The draftsman has & 10 & the agreements and the user guides, can I just show \\
\hline 11 & very clearly chosen the first of those courses, not th & 11 & ord a couple of authorities to make good the point \\
\hline 12 & second. I will come back to that as one of the points & 12 & that the user guides, and indeed previous versions of \\
\hline 13 & when we consider whether equity is permissible withi & 13 & n \\
\hline 14 & the meaning of the phrase & 14 & nts. \\
\hline 15 & Our case distils down, really, & 15 & he first is the Firth Rixson decision in the Court of \\
\hline 16 & Firstly, that "funding" in context means borrowing & 16 & Appeal which is authorition \\
\hline 17 & relevant amount. & 17 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: You are dealing only with English law \\
\hline 18 & co & 18 & at the moment? \\
\hline 19 & required to be paid in transacting to borrow & 19 & MR ZACAROLI: I am dealing with English law, tab 5 \\
\hline 20 & relevant amount. & 20 & My Lord, this was the Court of Appeal decision that \\
\hline 21 & What we seek to & 21 & my learned friend Mr F \\
\hline 22 & in their proper context & 22 & aning \\
\hline 23 & are actually taking them out of contex & 23 & the ISDA master agreement was. We \\
\hline 24 & ignoring the context & 24 & total \\
\hline 25 & reverse as I will show, that in reality my learned Page 141 & 25 & were a number of issues raised in it. But there is Page 143 \\
\hline 1 & friends' cases depend on taking words like "cost" out of & 1 & a particular passage \\
\hline 2 & the context of the clause to, "Well, there is a cost of & 2 & stice Longmore, which is the judgmen \\
\hline 3 & equity", because we all know that. The important & 3 & the court, at paragraphs 48 and following, which I want \\
\hline 4 & question is: doe & 4 & to show my \\
\hline 5 & the definition? & 5 & he background to the point is this: my Lord \\
\hline 6 & In relation to the first point, then, "funding means & 6 & probably knows that 2(a)(iii) operates as a suspension \\
\hline 7 & borrowing", we have three points under this heading. & 7 & on an obligation to pay or deliver under 2(a)(i) if one \\
\hline 8 & The first is, when one looks at the context, the & 8 & of the parties is suffering an event of default. One of \\
\hline 9 & linguistic context, which includes the master agreements & 9 & the arguments advanced was that, if by the time you \\
\hline 10 & themselves, the earlier form of the master agreement, & 10 & maturity of the agreement the default hasn't been \\
\hline 11 & which was 1987 -- I will show my Lord that in & 11 & medied, the suspension becomes, as it were, permanent \\
\hline 12 & a moment -- and the user guides, it is clear that the & 12 & and the obligation is lost, it falls away altogether. \\
\hline 13 & draftsman intended "funding" to be a proxy for & 13 & That was the argument that was advanced. Indeed, the \\
\hline 14 & "borrowing". & 14 & judge held that. \\
\hline 15 & The second point is that in the context of & 15 & At paragraph 49, then, the judge gave three reasons \\
\hline 16 & the definition itself, the word "funding" necessarily & 16 & for coming to this conclusion. The second one is the \\
\hline 17 & implies something which has to be repaid, ie, borrowing. & 17 & important one: \\
\hline 18 & The third point is, to refer to one of the background & 18 & "On its true construction, section 9(c) of the ISDA \\
\hline 19 & matters or contexts, which is the general law approach & 19 & master agreement provided for extinction of the payment \\
\hline 20 & to interest -- we have dealt with this briefly in the & 20 & obligation." \\
\hline 21 & skeleton, the point being that, as a matter of & 21 & 9(c) is copied out just below letter F \\
\hline 22 & generality, in the Commercial Court here, certainly, the & 22 & "Without prejudice to sections 2(a)(iii) and \\
\hline 23 & approach to valuing or identifying the time value of & 23 & 6(c)(ii) the obligations to the parties under this \\
\hline 24 & money for the purposes of a rate of interest is by what & 24 & agreement will survive the termination of any \\
\hline 25 & it would cost you to borrow it. That, we say, is & 25 & transaction." \\
\hline & Page 142 & & Page 144 \\
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline 1 & He then notes at paragraph 50: & 1 & came to determining loss, which the court had found \\
\hline 2 & "The exclusion of section 6(c)(ii) is readily & 2 & existed in relation to the 1992 agreement. One of \\
\hline 3 & understandable since that is the provision stating that & 3 & the issues was whether that continued forward into the \\
\hline 4 & the effect of designating an early termination date is & 4 & 2002 agreement. \\
\hline 5 & that no further payment or deliveries are to be made but & 5 & Again, one doesn't need to know the full background \\
\hline 6 & that amounts, if any, payable by one party to the other & 6 & to get the point, but the relevant point is at \\
\hline 7 & will be determined pursuant to section 6(e) ..." & 7 & ragraph 51 and following of the judgment of Lady \\
\hline 8 & Then in 51, Lord Justice Longmore notes: & 8 & stice Arden. First of all, my Lord will note at \\
\hline 9 & "The previous form of ISDA agreement published in & 9 & aragraph \(52-\)-- this is dealing with the question of \\
\hline 10 & 1987 under the title 'Interest rate and currency & 10 & construction and interpretation of the agreements. \\
\hline 11 & exchange agreement' had sections 2(a)(iii) and 9(c) in & 11 & Paragraph 52, the Lady Justice says: \\
\hline 12 & a slightly different form. Section 2(a)(iii) had & 12 & "The 2002 master agreement must of course be \\
\hline 13 & reference to the second condition precedent in the 1987 & 13 & interpreted in the light of the relevant background, \\
\hline 14 & form (absence of occurrence or designation of early & 14 & that includes the 1992 agreement, the prior case law on \\
\hline 15 & termination) and provided simp & 15 & the 1992 agreement and the users' guide \\
\hline 16 & ' ... (iii) each obligat & 16 & Under the heading "2" on the next page -- \\
\hline 17 & any amount due under sectio & 17 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: I'm just reading 53. \\
\hline 18 & (1) the condition precedent that no event of default or & 18 & MR ZACAROLI: Yes. \\
\hline 19 & potential event of default with respect to the other & 19 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Do you mind if I read 53 and 54? \\
\hline 20 & party has occurred and is continuing and (2) each other & 20 & MR ZACAROLI: No, indeed. \\
\hline 21 & applicable condition precedent specified in thi & 21 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes. What was the wrong question th \\
\hline 22 & agreemen & 22 & the judge had asked? \\
\hline 23 & "Then section 9(c) & 23 & MR ZACAROLI: I think, by reading the second sentence, you \\
\hline 24 & reference to 2(a)(iii), but simply provided, 'Except as & 24 & can deduce that it was he thought there would have to be \\
\hline 25 & provided in section 6(c)(ii) the obligations to the Page 145 & 25 & substantial grounds shown as to why the value clean Page 147 \\
\hline 1 & parties under this agreemen & 1 & principle meant something different in the 2002 \\
\hline 2 & termination of any swap transaction'. & 2 & agreement than the 1992 agreement \\
\hline 3 & What is missing is a reference to 2(a)(iii) in the & 3 & Paragraph 55, to pick up on the way through \\
\hline 4 & 1987 form. That is the difference. & 4 & my Lord may have read it -- an important question is: \\
\hline 5 & Could my Lord perhaps read paragraph 52 and the & 5 & why were the disclosed changes made? \\
\hline 6 & first seven or so lines of 53. & 6 & hat it is necessary to look closer at a \\
\hline 7 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes. & 7 & passage from the users' guide set out in paragraph 21 \\
\hline 8 & MR ZACAROLI: The short point is this: in the 1987 & 8 & above." \\
\hline 9 & agreement, section 9(c) could not have had the effect of & 9 & Direct reference to the users' guide to understand \\
\hline 10 & extinguishing the obligation under 2(a)(iii) because it & 10 & why changes have been made. Then under the side heading \\
\hline 11 & made no reference to it, and the court found that the & 11 & '2' \\
\hline 12 & change by introduction of 2(a)(iii) in the 1992 & 12 & "For reason for the changes shown in the 2002 master \\
\hline 13 & agreement cannot have been intended to make such & 13 & agreement given in the users' guide suggest those \\
\hline 14 & a significant difference. So direct reliance on the & 14 & changes were regarded as more important that the \\
\hline 15 & earlier form in interpreting the new form. & 15 & preservation of the value clean principle." \\
\hline 16 & In a sense, we have the opposite position here, & 16 & So the Lady Justice sets out at 57 the reasons for \\
\hline 17 & least on the main point, the default rate has exactly & 17 & the changes set out in the users' guide. At 58: \\
\hline 18 & the same definition throughout the 1987, 1992 and 2002 & 18 & "Overall, the purpose of the changes on closing-out \\
\hline 19 & agreements. & 19 & appears to have been to reduce avoidable risks of \\
\hline 20 & My Lord, the other authority is the next tab in the & 20 & participants involved in carrying out that operation." \\
\hline 21 & same bundle. This is another Court of Appeal decision, & 21 & Then there are things absent from the users' guide. \\
\hline 22 & again another Lehmans decision. On this occasion, one & 22 & Then 60: \\
\hline 23 & of the issues the Court of Appeal was considering was & 23 & "The conclusion I draw from the explanation in the \\
\hline 24 & the effectiveness or validity or continuing existence of & 24 & users' guide is that the retention of the value clean \\
\hline 25 & something called the "value clean principle" when it Page 146 & 25 & principle was not regarded as as important as making the Page 148 \\
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline 1 & disclosed changes." & 1 & "Such amount will be paid together with ... interest \\
\hline 2 & It is a very strong authority for the Court of & 2 & ereon in the termination currency from (and including) \\
\hline 3 & Appeal looking at prior agreement and the users' guide & 3 & the relevant early termination date to (but excluding) \\
\hline 4 & explanation for changes between them in construing the & 4 & the relevant due date, calculated as follows." \\
\hline 5 & later agre & 5 & Then: \\
\hline & \multirow[t]{2}{*}{MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: In 57 -- don't answer it now, but you will come on to that, the overarching principle of using} & 6 & f it arises as a result of an event of default it \\
\hline 7 & & 7 & is payable at the default rate." \\
\hline 8 & commercially reasonable procedures? I think it is & 8 & If it is as a result of a termination event, then it \\
\hline 9 & submitted that that is applicable throughout, including & 9 & ault rate minus 1 per cent. A difference \\
\hline 10 & into the -- it informs also the default rate. Is that & 10 & ere, but it is still anchoring in the default rate. \\
\hline 11 & right? & 11 & Then page 11 is within the definition section, 14, \\
\hline 12 & MR ZACAROLI: I didn't understand that submission to be made & 12 & you will see: \\
\hline 13 & in that way. Perhaps I can clarify it with my learned & 13 & ult rate' means a rate per annum equal to \\
\hline 14 & friend overnight. If it is, I will deal with it in due & 14 & e cos \\
\hline 15 & course. & 15 & You will see the wording there that we recognise \\
\hline 16 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Yes. & 16 & from the later agreements. \\
\hline 17 & MR ZACAROLI: Those are the authorities. In passing, as & 17 & ffectively, what the agreement has done at 6(d) is \\
\hline 18 & I said we are dealing with English law, it so happens & 18 & to say, if it is a default, you pay the default rat \\
\hline 19 & that my Lord has already seen the passage from & 19 & hich has the 1 per cent spread added, but if not it is \\
\hline 20 & Judge Chapman in the Intel case, where he does exactly & 20 & st at the default rate without that spread -- it is \\
\hline 21 & the same thing, looking at the 1987 agreement and the & 21 & st of funding to the relevant payee without that \\
\hline 22 & users' guide to interpret the 1992 agreement. My Lord & 22 & read \\
\hline 23 & was asked to read a passage where that is exactly what & 23 & Then \\
\hline 24 & \multirow[t]{2}{*}{he is doing there. But that is New York law. We will} & 24 & "unpaid amounts", you will see concepts similar to those \\
\hline 25 & & 25 & hich then inform the non-default rate we see later and \\
\hline & Page 149 & & Pag \\
\hline 1 & If my Lord can now pick up bundle 5, tab 1 is the & 1 & termination rate. Under "Unpaid amounts" at the \\
\hline 2 & 1987 interest rate and currency exchange agreement under & 2 & bottom of the main paragraph, it says interest is \\
\hline 3 & the ISDA heading. I said that the default rate makes & 3 & calculated as follows on the unpaid amounts: \\
\hline 4 & its first appearance in this agreement, which it does. & 4 & 'In the case of notice of an early termination date \\
\hline 5 & Before we get to that, my Lord, can we first look at & 5 & given as a result of an event of default: \\
\hline 6 & page 2 of the bundle referencing. At the bottom of that & 6 & '(i) interest on such amounts due and payable by \\
\hline 7 & is subsection 2(e), default interest & 7 & a defaulting party will be calculated at the default \\
\hline 8 & "A party that defaults in payment of any amount due & 8 & rate; \\
\hline 9 & will ..." & 9 & nterest on such amounts due and payable by \\
\hline 10 & You will see it is very similar to what we later see & 10 & the other party will be calculated at a rate per annum \\
\hline 11 & as 2(e): & 11 & equal to the cost to such other party ... if it were to \\
\hline 12 & "If you default in payment, you pay interest at the & 12 & fund such amounts ..." \\
\hline 13 & default rate." & 13 & Then in the event of an early termination date \\
\hline 14 & It goes on at the top of the next page: & 14 & llowing a termination event, then you have the \\
\hline 15 & "Calculated as a daily compound and the actual & 15 & troduction of the arithmetic mean of the cost to each \\
\hline 16 & number of days elapsed." & 16 & party. These concepts we see follow on but obviously \\
\hline 17 & Moving forward to section 6(d), which mirrors to & 17 & some different drafting when we get to the 1992 \\
\hline 18 & some extent 6(d) in the later agreements, page 7, headed & 18 & agreement. \\
\hline 19 & "Calculations", first of all there is the obligation to & 19 & My Lord, I notice the time, but this is a point \\
\hline 20 & give a statement, subparagraph (i). Subparagraph (ii), & 20 & hich probably needs to be finished in one go, if \\
\hline 21 & "Due date": & 21 & my Lord doesn't mind. \\
\hline 22 & "The amount calculated as being payable under & 22 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Sure. \\
\hline 23 & section 6(e) will be due on the day that notice of the & 23 & MR ZACAROLI: That, however, was not the only 1987 \\
\hline 24 & amount is payable is effective ..." & 24 & agreement. There was a second form of agreement \\
\hline 25 & Six lines further down: & 25 & introduced at the same time, which you will see in the \\
\hline \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{Page 150} & & Page 152 \\
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline 1 & \multirow[t]{2}{*}{next tab in the bundle, tab 1A. It is called "Interest rate swap agreement". We will come to the explanation} & 1 & opposite the caption 'Federal Funds (Effective)'." \\
\hline 2 & & 2 & If you turn on to the next page, there is \\
\hline 3 & in a while, but the difference between the two is as & 3 & a definition then of that phrase, H. 15 (519): \\
\hline 4 & follows: the one we have just looked at was intended for & 4 & sig \\
\hline 5 & use with multiple currencies. It envisaged any currency & 5 & as such published by the board of governors of \(t\) \\
\hline 6 & under the transactions. & 6 & (a), \\
\hline 7 & This agreement is designed solely for US dollars. & 7 & 7.2(a), so it is a benchmark rate. It is basically \\
\hline 8 & Picking up the relevant parts of this agreement, the & 8 & the federal reserve rate. \\
\hline 9 & provisions for interest are now very different. At & 9 & The users' guides explain the reason for the \\
\hline 10 & page 20E of the bundle, you will see this is section & 10 & ference. You start with the 1987 users' guid \\
\hline 11 & \(6(\mathrm{~d})\) in the middle of the page, (d) is part of & 11 & will find at tab 4 of this \\
\hline 12 & section 6, calculations similar to what we have seen & 12 & page 84 of the bundle, the first page \\
\hline 13 & before, but the second paragraph here & 13 & the users' guide, under the heading "1. Introduction": \\
\hline 14 & "Such amount will be paid together with interest & 14 & This guide describes how the standard form \\
\hline 15 & thereon from and including the relevant early & 15 & ublished by the ISDA can be used by \\
\hline 16 & termination date to the relevant due date calculated as & 16 & 倍 \\
\hline 17 & follows. If notice is given as a result of an event of & 17 & hen it says there are two forms, the four \\
\hline 18 & default then the default rate applies or if notice is & 18 & er the first paragrap \\
\hline 19 & given as a result of a termination event, then it is the & 19 & s, entitled interest rate swap \\
\hline 20 & default rate minus the default spread." & 20 & ment and interest rate and currency exchange \\
\hline 21 & A similar concept to the one we have seen, but the & 21 & eement which differ, principally \\
\hline 22 & wording is different. & 22 & nsactions of which each is suited. \\
\hline 23 & Default rate is defined at page 20G: & 23 & ext page, under (a), so heading 2 "The \\
\hline 24 & "'Default rate' means a rate per annum determined in & 24 & ms and overview", paragraph (a), "Description of \\
\hline 25 & accordance with the federal funds floating rate option Page 153 & 25 & the forms". Under the first numbered paragraph: Page 155 \\
\hline 1 & \multirow[t]{2}{*}{[capitalised term] plus the default spread, using daily reset dates."} & 1 & The code based form, the interest rate swap \\
\hline 2 & & 2 & reement, is an agreement for US dollar denominated \\
\hline 3 & Then it mentions wording we have seen before: & 3 & rest rate swaps. It incorporates by reference \\
\hline 4 & "It is payable on the basis of compounding using & 4 & 6 edition of the code with certain modifications and \\
\hline 5 & daily compounding rates.' & 5 & is intended to be used with the code. \\
\hline 6 & Then "default spread" is defined immediately below: & 6 & umber 2, the multicurrency form: \\
\hline 7 & "...will have the meaning specified in the & 7 & agreement for interest rate swaps in any \\
\hline 8 & schedule." & 8 & rrency as well as currency swaps and cross-currency \\
\hline 9 & Ie , it is a number, it is plus a percentage rate. & 9 & interest rate swaps. It does not incorporate the code \\
\hline 10 & The "federal funds floating rate option" is defined & 10 & by reference but contains provisions virtually identical \\
\hline 11 & in a document called -- it is the code of standard & 11 & he code. Provisions contained in the code-based \\
\hline 12 & wording assumptions of provisions for swaps, 1986 & 12 & form, except that it refers to the differences." \\
\hline 13 & edition, which you will find at tab 4A of the same & 13 & e paragraph immediately below that \\
\hline 14 & bundle. & 14 & There are no substantive differences in the two \\
\hline 15 & Article 7 at page 101Y is headed "Calculation of & 15 & s other than minor ones necessitated by the \\
\hline 16 & rates for certain floating rate options", so section 7.1 & 16 & ticurrency aspects of the multicurrency form and \\
\hline 17 & involved floating rate options. Then it gives a whole & 17 & erences in the jurisdiction and governing law \\
\hline 18 & load of different types of floating rate options, from & 18 & ctions. These differences are noted in part 3 of this \\
\hline 19 & LIBOR onwards. The relevant one is on page 101AA, & 19 & guide." \\
\hline 20 & subparagraph (k). You will see the reference there to & 20 & rning on to part 3, which begins on the next page, \\
\hline 21 & federal funds and the reference across was to federal & 21 & d turning through to page 97, which explains the \\
\hline 22 & funds floating rate options. This is the relevant & 22 & ault rate provisions, paragraph 2, "Default rate and \\
\hline 23 & subparagraph: & 23 & terest and unpaid amounts and termination payments", \\
\hline 24 & "[It] means that the rate for a reset date will b & 24 & subparagraph 1, "Default rate": \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{25} & the rate set fourth in H. 15 (519) ... for that day & 25 & The default rate .. \\
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\hline & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: Where are you looking now? & 1 & if that is a convenient moment. \\
\hline 2 & MR ZACAROLI: Page 97, paragraph 2 in the middle of & 2 & MR JUSTICE HILDYARD: 10.30, then. I have to give judgment \\
\hline 3 & the page, subparagraph 1, explaining what the default & 3 & earlier, but it is only a formal matter, so that should \\
\hline 4 & rate is. It says: & 4 & be okay. \\
\hline 5 & "The default rate in the code-based form is equal to & 5 & I did have a word with Mr Justice David Richards \\
\hline 6 & the rate determined in accordance with the federal funds & 6 & this morning. I don't think I need bother you with it, \\
\hline 7 & floating rate option plus the default spread. The & 7 & but if any of you have the -- I think there was an email \\
\hline 8 & default spread must be specified in the schedule. In & 8 & from Linklaters of 28 October to \\
\hline 9 & the multicurrency form the rate is equal to the payee's & 9 & Mr Justice David Richards' clerk, and there were four \\
\hline 10 & cost of funding plus 1 per cent, since no published & 10 & questions identified. \\
\hline 11 & index exists covering all possible currencies." & 11 & Provisionally, and subject to discussion with you \\
\hline 12 & The 1992 ISDA guide repeats much of that history. & 12 & and with him, it may be that I should do 1 and he should \\
\hline 13 & If I can turn just to one reference in it. It is tab 5 & 13 & do 2,3 and 4, assuming there to be a linkage between 1 \\
\hline 14 & in the same bundle. At page 119, the heading is "B. & 14 & and the issues of German law which have been raised, or \\
\hline 15 & The pre 1992 architecture", it sets out some of & 15 & a potential linkage. If I were to do that and if he \\
\hline 16 & the history there, but the relevant passage is the & 16 & were to do that, we would give York also the opportunity \\
\hline 17 & sentence at the top of page 120. Four lines down, & 17 & to make submissions, since it is only fair that they \\
\hline 18 & towards the end of the line, having referred to the & 18 & should, if oral submissions are required at all. \\
\hline 19 & earlier agreements: & 19 & MR ZACAROLI: I'm grateful. \\
\hline 20 & '... the only substantive difference between the & 20 & ( 4.30 pm ) \\
\hline 21 & 1987 agreements and the 1987 interest rate swap & 21 & (The hearing was adjourned until \\
\hline 22 & agreement were minor differences necessitated by the & 22 & Wednesday, 11 November 2015 at 10.30 am ) \\
\hline 23 & multicurrency aspects of the 1987 agreement." & 23 & I N D E X \\
\hline 24 & My Lord, we submit that that explanation in the & 24 & \\
\hline 25 & users' guide for why there was a difference between the Page 157 & 25 & \begin{tabular}{l}
Opening submissions by MR DICKER \(\qquad\) \\
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\end{tabular} \\
\hline 1 & "cost of funding" language and the benchmark rate in the & 1 & (continued) \\
\hline 2 & two 1987 agreements, as followed through in the & 2 & \\
\hline 3 & explanation of the 1992 guide, is a convincing & 3 & Opening submissions by MR FOXTON .................. 76 \\
\hline 4 & explanation of the "cost of funding" language which does & 4 & \\
\hline 5 & not permit that language to be expanded beyond the & 5 & Opening submissions by MR ZACAROLI ................ 139 \\
\hline 6 & concept of borrowing. It shows that, essentially, the & 6 & \\
\hline 7 & draftsman was thinking of borrowing, what it would cost & 7 & \\
\hline 8 & to borrow the funds. In the one sense, he had & 8 & \\
\hline 9 & a benchmark rate because it was just US dollars, in the & 9 & \\
\hline 10 & other he didn't, because it could be any currency, so he & 10 & \\
\hline 11 & used the phrase "cost of funding" for that reason alone. & 11 & \\
\hline 12 & My learned friend described the drafting of the ISDA & 12 & \\
\hline 13 & master agreements as flawless, the draftsman meant what & 13 & \\
\hline 14 & he said and said what he meant. We say in the light of & 14 & \\
\hline 15 & the users' guide and the different versions it is very & 15 & \\
\hline 16 & clear what he meant in this context. & 16 & \\
\hline 17 & It is important to note that the language then & 17 & \\
\hline 18 & remains the same thereafter. We submit -- we will come & 18 & \\
\hline 19 & on to this later -- that when you look at the later & 19 & \\
\hline 20 & forms there is no justification for finding any & 20 & \\
\hline 21 & different meaning in the phrase "cost of funds, cost of & 21 & \\
\hline 22 & funding the relevant amount" to what it would have had & 22 & \\
\hline 23 & in the 1987 agreement. & 23 & \\
\hline 24 & My Lord, that is my first point. I will come on to & 24 & \\
\hline 25 & the context within the clause itself tomorrow morning, & 25 & \\
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\hline ability 99:4 119:17 & & adds 46:13 56:1 & 61:10 62:5,8 & amalgamation \\
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\hline able 26:14 35:14 & 117: & adequacy 85:1 & 70:10,10 71:1 & amalgamations \\
\hline 71:17 74:1 95:25 & accruing 7:22 & adjourned 159:21 & 72:15 73:24 & 45:18 \\
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