1	Monday, 9 March 2015	1	direction.
2	(10.30 am)	2	So that's all I was going to say about issue 30. It
3	CMC HEARING	3	may be that Mr Zacaroli wants to add to that but that's
4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Mr Trower.	4	sufficient for my purposes.
5	MR TROWER: My Lord, your Lordship has before you today the		There are then the parties' positions in relation to
6	CMC in relation to tranches B and C, 2 and 3. I was	6	issues 31, 31 and 33. 31 is whether a currency a
7	though going to start with just wrapping up one or two	7	conversion claim can arise in relation to particular
8	points in relation to tranche A which we also dealt with	8	forms of master agreement. Now, the position was, so
9	in the skeleton arguments and it seemed sensible to	9	far as 31 is concerned the position was that the Senior
10	start with that. They obviously were the interest and	10	Creditor Group and Wentworth were in dispute as to
11	foreign currency conversion issues.	11	whether the issue was capable of being determined at a
12	What we have done is produced for your Lordship	12	as part of this application given the state of the
13	a note on the agreed issues.	13	evidence.
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	14	Now, the joint administrators have now determined
15	MR TROWER: Which deals with those issues which where the	15	this question is of actually no material significance in
16	parties are ad idem as to the answer. My Lord, can	16	any event and doesn't need to be determined. We are
17	I say just so it is clear, we're not actually inviting	17	intending to post a statement to that effect on the
18	your Lordship to hear and now grant declarations or give	18	website but our present position is in the light of that
19	directions. The reason we formulated it in this way was	19	your Lordship doesn't need to determine question 31.
20	to try and get as much certainty as we could in relation	20	As far as question 32 is concerned that is whether
21	to what your Lordship would be asked to do in due course	21	if the answer to 31 is "no", a currency conversion claim
22	once you've considered the other points.	22	can arise in relation to those master agreements
23	My Lord, that note of agreed issues deals with	23	referred to, and everyone's agreed that the issue is not
24	issues 1, 3, 5, sub-issues of 5, and 29.	24	capable of being dealt with on this application. So
25	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	25	again we're not inviting your Lordship to answer
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1	MR TROWER: And then behind it there is the form of proposed	1	question 32, and there will be a posting on the website
2	declaration and I think, as I understand it, so far as	2	as yet I think there already has been in relation to
3	the parties are concerned on 1, 3, 5 and 29 there aren't	3	32. As yet there's no response. If there is a response
4	any points for your Lordship in relation to either of	4	we'll deal with it.
5	the note or the form. It may be that they would wish to	5	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: On the face of it I would have
6	say something else about the issues before your Lordship	6	thought that 32 would fall with 31.
7	today but I'll leave that to them.	7	MR TROWER: Yes, it does.
8	My Lord, it was originally intended that issue 30	8	And then issue 33 is the transferee issue in
9	should also appear in the note of agreed issues and	9	relation to
10	that's the issue of whether there's a non-provable claim	10	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.
11	where the interest applying a rate applicable apart from	11	MR TROWER: CCCs. Now, the position there is the joint
12	the administration on a sterling admitted claim when	12	administrators have been unable to identify any cases in
13	converted into the relevant foreign currency is less	13	which the issue arises and so for their part, again,
14	than the amount of interest which would accrue applying	14	they don't think it's appropriate for the court to be
15	a rate applicable to the claim apart from the	15	asked to answer the question. And again we put
16	administration to the original FCC. Now, everyone is	16	a posting on the website in relation to that and we'll
17	agreed on the answer, that such a claim does exist, but	17	wait to see what happens. But our present position is
18 19	Wentworths have suggested that the formulation of the declaration or the direction might be better left until	18 19	that that question doesn't need to be answered, subject to any response from the website.
19 20	your Lordship has dealt with issues 2 and 39. And we	20	My Lord, then the only other question that no,
20 21	for our part agree that that's a sensible approach and	20	there are two more questions you just need to deal with
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		22	in relation to tranche Δ The first relates to issue
22	so we haven't suggested at the moment that it's	22 23	in relation to tranche A. The first relates to issue 37 and there is a separate note on issue 37 which
22 23	so we haven't suggested at the moment that it's appropriate for the parties to get to the stage of	23	37, and there is a separate note on issue 37, which
22 23 24	so we haven't suggested at the moment that it's appropriate for the parties to get to the stage of an agreed formulation of what the answer is on issue 30	23 24	37, and there is a separate note on issue 37, which I hope your Lordship has, it came in with our skeleton.
22 23	so we haven't suggested at the moment that it's appropriate for the parties to get to the stage of	23	37, and there is a separate note on issue 37, which

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MR TROWER: This is the one in relation to agreements that 1 it? 1 2 were entered into subsequent to the administration date 2 MR TROWER: From 4(2). MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 3 in relation to the settlement of claims where the claims 3 4 MR TROWER: Yes. 4 fell into two parts or more than one part anyway, and 5 there are also sub-issues that arise in relation to the 5 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Although it doesn't expressly 6 6 application of set-off. say so 7 The places that your Lordship just needs to go to 7 MR TROWER: No, and the other point about the drafting of 8 8 for this is -- we dealt with them briefly in paragraph 6 this, and I think we accept that we could do with 9 9 a little bit of tweaking on this, the other point about and 18 of our skeleton for this hearing. Then there's 10 the note itself. 10 the drafting is that what's intended within (2) and (3) 11 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 11 is to encapsulate the circumstances in which there 12 12 hasn't been an agreement --MR TROWER: Annexed to the note is a suggested order in 13 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes 13 relation to what the court should be invited to declare MR TROWER: -- and what you inject into the equation. It's 14 in relation to issue 37. Broadly speaking, certainly so 14 15 15 not intended of itself to say anything at all one way or far as the first part of the order is concerned, I don't the other about what would have happened in 16 think there's any issue between the parties in relation 16 17 to how that should work. 17 circumstances in which there was an agreement. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I follow. 18 18 The issue that arises insofar as it's an issue 19 arises in relation to the set-off element which is dealt 19 MR TROWER: And it's not entirely clear that that's the way 20 20 with in paragraph 4 of the order, and can I just ask the drafting works but I think that's the essence of 21 your Lordship, the sensible way of dealing with this is 21 what's intended to be captured by that and we will have 22 22 for your Lordship to turn back to the note which another go at getting that one right. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Does (4) apply to circumstance 23 describes the sub-issue, which is the set-off sub-issue 23 24 at paragraph 9. 24 in (1) as well as (2)? 25 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Right. Let me just ... 25 MR TROWER: I think it does, yes. Page 5 Page 7 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: It may be helpful just when yo MR TROWER: 9 of the note. 1 1 2 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Beginning --2 are having a re-think about it to make clear (2) and (3) 3 MR TROWER: If your Lordship would just read that. 3 go together. One point that was raised I think in the 4 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I'll read it. (Pause) 4 note was the question of as at what date set-off took 5 MR TROWER: Then if your Lordship would move on to 5 place. But is there any choice? 6 paragraph 15 of the note. (Pause) 6 MR TROWER: The set-off takes effect as at the date of the 7 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I suppose I had better read 7 notice. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 8 paragraph 10 as well. Paragraph 15 refers back to 8 9 paragraph 10. (Pause) I can see why that approach is 9 MR TROWER: And this gives rise to a question in relation to -- but it takes into account the claims as at the 10 10 adopted. MR TROWER: Then just so -- because there are three points 11 11 commencement date. we just need to touch on -- the way that sub-issue is MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 12 12 13 dealt with in the proposed order, a draft order is 13 MR TROWER: Which gives rise to a point that's raised in 14 14 behind the note, or it is in my file --Mr Dicker's skeleton argument, which I think I need to 15 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes, it is. 15 deal with which is the second point I wanted to draw to MR TROWER: The first bit that deals with the non-settled 16 16 your Lordship's attention on this. It's his skeleton 17 point is paragraph 1. 17 argument for the issues themselves, ie in volume 6 of 18 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That reflects paragraph 10. 18 the trial bundle at tab 1, paragraphs 44(1) and 44(2). 19 MR TROWER: That's right and then paragraph 4 reflects the 19 I think the easiest way to deal with this is if 20 position in relation to or is intended to reflect the 20 your Lordship would read 44(1) and 44(2). 21 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 21 position in relation to set-off. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Okay I'll read that. (Pause) 22 MR TROWER: The issue arises in relation to the 22 23 23 Yes, but subparagraph 3 -- so 4(3). subparagraphs (4) and (5) of 442. 24 MR TROWER: Yes. 24 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes (Pause) Yes I have read MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That follows on from (2) doesn t 25 25 that. Page 8 Page 6

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1	MR TROWER: Just before I explain what we say the position	1	are concerned that when reaching a determination in
2	is, the final thing I want to show your Lordship is	2	relation to the question of how attribution ought to be
3	a letter from Freshfields, which is in the	3	treated for the purposes of the main and the sub-issue
4	correspondence bundle of 8 March, it's the very last	4	in relation to issue 37, that the joint administrators
5	letter in my bundle, pages 128 and 130.	5	do ensure that they take into account all the available
6	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	6	evidence when deciding whether or not there was
7	MR TROWER: Would your Lordship just read that letter?	7	an agreement and so on and so forth.
8	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. (Pause) Yes.	8	One thing I ought to make clear is that our position
9	MR TROWER: The point that's made by Freshfields on page 2	9	is that in the light of the agreement that the parties
10	of their letter is the point I've told your Lordship	10	have reached it is plain that what needs to be taken
11	about in relation to the precise drafting of 4(2) and	11	into account is what was made available to the
12	(3). The point on page 3 of their letter deals with	12	administrators at the time the agreement was reached, ie
13	paragraphs 442(4) and (5) of their skeleton argument.	13	it can only be what was there at the time. We can't
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Just to be clear, because no	14	take into account any new evidence that might come into
15	claims were agreed before the administrators gave notice	15	account subsequent to the date of the agreement. But
16	of proposed distribution on 4 December 2009 then the	16	subject to that, yes we will consult to make sure that
17	mandatory set-off date applies.	17	we have taken into account all the evidence that was
18	MR TROWER: The mandatory set-off date applies.	18	available to us at the time for the purposes of
19	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That clarifies that. I'll just	19	determining the answer to question 37. So I hope that
20	re-read 442 (Pause) Right. So what they say is	20	deals with the point that I think Mr Dicker was going to
21	MR TROWER: They deal with it on page 130 (Pause).	21	make in relation to issue 37.
22	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	22	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Right.
23	MR TROWER: The administrator's present position in relation	23	MR TROWER: My Lord, the only other tranche A issue that I'm
24	to this as your Lordship will have seen from the note	24	aware of is the magnificent leap year issue which
25	and from what's said in the Freshfields letter is that	25	your Lordship now has another note on.
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1	they don't conceive that there was actually any	1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.
2	adversarial argument on the existence of a currency	2	MR TROWER: And we've considered the case of Harrahill. One
3	conversion claim in these circumstances. And they are	3	thing that has become apparent as a result of the
4	a little bit concerned at the moment, and I don't think	4	exchange of notes is that it does appear to be the case
5	Wentworth addresses this point anywhere, and it's	5	that the issue between the parties has crystallised into
6	slightly come in by the back door in relation to issue	6	two well two ways of thinking about it. The first is
7	37, and they're a little bit concerned as to what the	7	what if any assistance your Lordship gets from this case
8	position may in fact be in relation to this. They	8	of Harrahill. But the second is what is the true nature
9	haven't actually formulated their own position on it.	9	of the dispute based on Harrahill. And the way we would
10	Now, it may be that a direction will be required in	10	characterise the dispute is simply this. That if you
11	due course in relation to this issue. We certainly	11	apply the approach that we say should be adopted you
12	don't accept, although we see how the argument is put by	12	take 8 per cent per annum of a 365-day year and
13	the Senior Creditor Group that it's the only way of	13	8 per cent per annum of a 366 day year and so when
14	looking at it, and we need to raise it because it may be	14	you're reducing that per annum to a per diem rate the
15	that this is a point that has to come back for further	15	per diem rate will be different in an ordinary year from
16	argument.	16	a leap year because it will be a slightly smaller rate
17	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Right.	17	in the leap year because there's 366 days, the per diem
18	MR TROWER: It will slightly depend on what Wentworth's	18	rate. Mr Smith's case is that actually you take the 365
19	position in relation to it is but it's important that it	19	day year for calculating the per diem rate for both
20	shouldn't sort of be thought to have slipped in through	20	ordinary years and leap years and the consequence of
21	the back door under the guise of the determination of	21	that is that you get an extra day's interest in a leap
22	issue 37.	22	year.
23	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I follow.	23	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.
24	MR TROWER: My Lord, the only other point that's been raised		MR TROWER: And that is the way the issue is crystallised on
25	by the FCG in relation to issue 37 is simply this: They	25	the back of the Harrahill case. Our submission actually
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1	at the end of the day boils down to the fact that the	1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That is fine. It's a very
2	Harrahill case, it appears to decide that you get	2	puzzling issue in a way.
3	an extra day's interest in a leap year; we respectfully	3	MR TROWER: Yes.
4	suggest that that simply does not work as a matter of	4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: It's puzzling too that it has
5	construction of our legislation and the reason in short	5	never come up before.
6	order we say it doesn't work as a matter of our	6	MR TROWER: It may be that it's never been worth anyone's
7	legislation is what you are entitled to under the	7	while. If you look at the Harrahill case it's quite
8	statute is 8 per cent per annum.	8	bizarre although the judge devotes a couple of pages in
9	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Where is this?	9	his judgment I think it made about £2 difference.
10	MR TROWER: Does your Lordship have the bundles from the	10	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I see.
11	previous hearing?	11	MR TROWER: So it is perhaps not surprising that it doesn't
12	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. I have them all here.	12	come up very often.
13	MR TROWER: It's in 3A I think, the Judgments Act, tab 11.	13	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I mean it could, as I remarked
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Thank you.	14	last time I think at the last hearing it could make
15	MR TROWER: I think it's actually I think it's, having said	15	quite a difference here.
16	that I think it's there is somewhere in the bundles	16	MR TROWER: It could.
17	and I'll find it in just a moment or ask someone to,	17	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: It's helpful sometimes to think
18	there's an updated version of it because all we have	18	of some examples and one that occurred to me which you
19	behind 11 is the as enacted but this particular bit of	19	might like to meet is this: that if a claimant enters
20	the wording hasn't changed and:	20	judgment on 1 June 2015 and it's paid on 1 August 2015,
20	"Be it enacted [it's section 17, page 2 of 2 print]	21	he will get pounds X judgment rate interest.
21	that every judgment debt shall carry interest at the	22	MR TROWER: Yes.
22	rate of £4 per centum per annum from the date of	23	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: If he enters judgment on
23	entering into judgment."	23	1 June 2016 and it's paid on 1 August 2016 he will get
24	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Sorry, I'm looking at	24	slightly less.
25	Page 13	25	Page 15
1	a different one in tab 11 then.	1	MR TROWER: Yes, and that is a function of the per annum
2	MR TROWER: 3A?	2	calculation concept.
3	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Because the tab 11 I have is the	: 3	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: But it's a strange result isn't
4	version in force April 26/1999.	4	it?
5	MR TROWER: Your Lordship has the right one, for some	5	MR TROWER: Well, it's not as strange we would respectfully
6	strange reason I don't.	6	suggest as the result that effectively what Mr Smith
7	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: "Every judgment shall carry	7	has done is he's converted from a per annum to
8	interest at the rate of £8 per centum per annum from	8	a per diem and then back up again to get to a different
9	such time as shall be prescribed by rules of court."	9	annum is what he's actually done. But I accept that.
10	CLAIMANT: Yes, so it's the pounds per centum per annum that	10	It all flows from
11	we rely on and it's 8 per centum and the effect of	11	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: You would say well if the
12	Mr Smith's construction is that actually you're getting	12	judgment is outstanding for a whole year the 8 per cent
13	8.002 per centum per annum	13	per annum means that if it's outstanding for the
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: For a leap year?	14	whole of 2012, then you get slightly more than
1.0	MR TROWER: For a leap year.	15	8 per cent.
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15 16	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: No, sorry, yes, I follow the	16	MR TROWER: Yes you do, which is contrary to the statute we
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MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I see the debate. 1 a form of wording which should be incorporated in the 1 2 MR TROWER: So what your Lordship has in the bundle is our 2 draft order 37, I'm not sure that that wording is agreed 3 further note and the reply note from York as they --3 but I'm sure the parties could come up with something 4 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Thank you. And the reply 4 sensible to reflect it. So that's that point. 5 note ... Yes, thank you. 5 The next point in relation to issue 37, again 6 MR TROWER: My Lord, I'm very much in your Lordship's hands 6 mentioned by my learned friend, concerns the operation 7 I could either now sit down and let others talk or say 7 of set-off, given that there were no agreed claims for 8 8 anything they want to on tranche A but I could go the notice of intention to distribute. Your Lordship's 9 straight on to --9 seen the letter and there is nothing I think I need to 10 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Let's deal with anything on 10 add in relation to that. 11 tranche A. I think that would be convenient Mr. 11 So far as the final point which concern 12 Dicker 12 paragraph 442(4) and (5) of our skeleton, my Lord, the 13 MR DICKER: My Lord, a couple of very short points. First 13 administrators identified that as a sub-issue. We dealt 14 14 of all so far as the note on agreed issues is concerned, with it in our skeleton argument below. There was no 15 one point in relation to issue 3, if your Lordship goes 15 response from any other party but, my Lord, obviously if to the note on agreed issues, it's paragraph 7. 16 16 the administrators think that insufficient attention was 17 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Just give me a moment. Yes 17 paid to it at the hearing and there may need to be 18 MR DICKER: Paragraph 7: 18 further argument in relation to it then so be it. At 19 "The parties consider the answer to issue 3 is as 19 the moment we think that is the correct position. And 20 follows and invite the court to give directions 20 I have nothing else I think in relation to tranche A. 21 accordingly. The words 'the rate applicable to the debt 21 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Thank you very much 22 apart from the administration in ...(Reading to the 22 Mr Smith. 23 words) ... interest accrues on a debt." 23 MR SMITH: My Lord, just very quickly on the leap year 24 My Lord, just to remind your Lordship that although 24 point. My Lord, obviously the Judgments Act provides 25 the parties agree on that summary they disagree as to 25 for interest at a per annum rate but that's the rate Page 17 Page 19 1 and, my Lord, in our submission when it comes to be 1 what in fact it means. 2 applied the way that is done is by converting the annual 2 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes, I follow. 3 3 MR DICKER: My Lord, it's because of that we wonder whether rate into the daily rate. Now that seems to be common 4 it's necessarily sensible for your Lordship to give 4 ground between the parties, that's what the 5 administrator say in their on position paper at 5 directions at this stage in relation to that issue. 6 Unless and until your Lordship has actually ruled on 6 paragraph 8. And if one is approaching it in that way 7 then in our submission the daily rate ought to be the 7 issues 2 and 3. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. I'm certainly not going to 8 same rate irrespective of whether or not it was a leap 8 9 9 year. In our submission that reflects, what was decided make any declarations today. 10 10 MR DICKER: No, and I don't think my learned friend was in Harrahill reflects the practice in the banking 11 markets as per the Bank of England document and it 11 inviting your Lordship to. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: He made clear he wasn't asking 12 reflects what appears what appears to be the position in 12 13 relation to damages in personal injury claims, which is 13 me to, no. MR DICKER: So that's the first. The second are three 14 the Law Society Gazette article. So that is all I would 14 15 15 points in relation to question 37. The first point is add on that point. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Thank you very much, Mr Smith 16 16 the consultation point. Just so your Lordship knows how 17 we put it in our skeleton argument for the last trial. 17 Mr Zacaroli 18 MR ZACAROLI: A couple of short points on tranche A. Issue 18 If your Lordship goes to our skeleton argument it's 19 page 158 and the footnote at the bottom, very short it 19 3 we agree with the comments that our friend Mr Dicker 20 20 made and my Lord is waiting anyway until he has decided says: issues 2 and 3 before making any declaration on that. 21 21 "It would plainly be sensible for the administrators 22 22 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. to ...(Reading to the words)... are identified and 23 23 MR ZACAROLI: Issue 30 I think we would say the point goes considered by the administrators." 24 That's what we thought was sensible. As we 24 slightly further than the formulation of the issue as 25 25 Mr Trower put it, recognising the tension between that understand it my learned friend agrees. We suggested Page 18 Page 20

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1	and 39 if we are right on 39. If we are wrong on 39 no	1	be limited to a very defined and more precise generic
2	problem but if we are right there is clearly a tension	2	set of circumstances which rendered the whole process
3	and therefore sensibly delayed until my Lord determines	3	that had been thought as being appropriate under the
4	issue 39.	4	scenarios paper something that I think everyone accepts
5	Issue 31, which we accept is not for determination	5	is not sensible now and doesn't really advance matters
6	now, I just mention this, that my clients remain	6	very much further.
7	surprised that the point isn't of wider import across	7	So that's where we are in relation to the directions
8	the estate and I will continue to probe the	8	that were made on the last occasion. Where we now are
9	administrators on certain questions they have in	9	is that most of the questions I think which
10	relation to that so it might be raised again but at the	10	your Lordship is going to be asked to consider now
11	moment we accept that it's not part of the proceedings,	11	relate to issue 36, ie whether or not the agreement
12	that is all I am saying.	12	ought to be enforced if it did operate as a release. Or
13	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Thank you very much.	13	either of the agreements ought to be enforced if they
14	Yes, Mr Trower. Moving on to tranche B.	14	did operate as a release. But just before we go there
15	MR TROWER: Yes. Post administration contracts is what	15	there's one issue on one part of issue 34 that I just
16	tranche B is all about. What we're doing in tranche B,	16	need to draw to your Lordship's attention. If we could
17	my Lord, is the application notice is behind tab 1.	17	turn up issue 34.
18	We're doing 9, 34, 35, 36 and 38.	18	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.
19	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	19	MR TROWER: Which is:
20	MR TROWER: 9, I don't think there's any need to pause on	20	"Whether a creditor's currency conversion claim has
21	and there are no issues that arise in relation to it for	21	been released in circumstances in which the creditor
22	the purposes of today.	22	entered into a foreign currency CDD incorporating a
23	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	23	release clause, a sterling CDD incorporating a release
24	MR TROWER: 34 and 35 deal with the impact of the CRA and	24	clause or the CRA."
25	the CDDs and in particular their release provisions on	25	Now, what the joint administrators are suggesting is
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1	currency conversion debts under 34 and statutory	1	that the reference to "are ditor's summer as conversion
2	interest under 35. Issue 36 is of course whether any	2	that the reference to "creditor's currency conversion claim" should be expanded to include any other
3	releases should in the circumstances be enforced.	2	non-provable claim and your Lordship might have seen
4	At the last CMC that we had in November	4	reference to that in the skeletons and the
5	your Lordship gave directions in relation to evidence	5	correspondence. I think everyone agrees that
6	for this tranche and since then the evidence that's come	6	correspondence. I unit everyone agrees that
7	in is Mr Pearson's 7th witness statement and Mr Copley's		Wantworth cartainly agree that that's consider. I think
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1	suggest, although if I can sort of park the point	1	papers on this issue. There is a bit of a debate which
2	without elaborating on it too much until we have looked	2	I'm not sure has been finally resolved on timetabling in
3	at issue 36, what the joint administrators suggest is	3	relation to that. The broad idea is that there should
4	that they are content to try to produce a statement of	4	be that the FCG should go first. Wentworths should
5	agreed facts in relation to issues 34 and 35 which draw	5	go second and that we should try and draw the threads
6	together the threads both in relation to those facts	6	together going third and that the purpose of our
7	which are agreed and those facts which they can see	7	exercise will be not just to produce a position paper
8	which everyone accepts is relevant and those where there	8	but also to identify what is agreed and what is not as
9	is a debate as to whether or not they are relevant that	9	part of the process of getting there and so far as the
10	debate can be identified on the basis of the statement.	10	joint administrators are concerned that will be done in
11	So the court has a document which identifies what is	11	conjunction with but as a separate process from the
12	agreed, what is agreed to be relevant and where there is	12	production of the agreed statement of facts in relation
13	an issue as to whether something that is agreed is or is	13	to issues 34 and 35 because they're obviously linked
14	not relevant.	14	although they're not the same exercise.
15	But that needs to be set against the present	15	My Lord, the last we got to was a and it's dealt
16	position in relation to issue 36 which obviously gives	16	with in our skeleton at paragraph 27 proposed
17	rise to rather broader factual questions than the pure	17	compromise between the parties' various positions on
18	construction points. I think at this stage can I just	18	position papers which would lead to the FCG putting
19	show your Lordship the bifurcation, which seems to be	19	something in by 31 March. Wentworth by 13 April and us
20	a word everyone is using, of issue 36 which was first	20	by 21 April which should then fit in time for the
21	suggested by Freshfields. It is page 62 of the bundle.	21	present directions in relation to the skeleton arguments
22	It starts at page 61 really. Would your Lordship read	22	that are required for the substantive trial which are
23	from paragraph I think it's really the bit under	23	required for 24 April.
24	question 36 issues generally.	24	And the way that's been reflected in the draft
25	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: And read through to?	25	minute of order for this hearing does your Lordship
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1	MR TROWER: And read through to the end of paragraph 34.	1	have the draft? I don't think I have taken you to it
2	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Certainly. (Pause)	2	yet. It's behind tab 4 in my bundle. I hope it's in
3	Yes.	3	there in yours.
4	MR TROWER: Then they say in paragraph 7 "We think this	4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Tab 4 of which bundle?
5	argument can and should be dealt with in part B", and	5	MR TROWER: Sorry, of the CMC bundle.
6	they then explain why over the page on page 63.	6	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. I have that.
7	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	7	MR TROWER: So just going through the issue 34, the
8	MR TROWER: That is there and perhaps your Lordship could	8	amendment, is the first paragraph that I've already
9	just cast your eye down to the end of that section.	9	addressed you on. Then issue 36 be split into two
10	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	10	issues, that's the bifurcation that's suggested and that
11	MR TROWER: That position Linklaters, for the joint	11	second part of the issue simply be adjourned generally.
12	administrators, on page 72 of the bundle explain that we	12	Then we have 4, 5 and 6 deal with the FCG, Wentworth and
13	thought this was a sensible and pragmatic suggestion.	13	then us on production of position papers in relation to
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	14	what has become 36A.
15	MR TROWER: Then Kirkland & Ellis in a letter of 4 March,	15	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.
16	and I think the relevant bit is on page 92, they start	16	MR TROWER: Paragraph 7 is the two-stage process of
17	this section on 91 but their position seems to be	17	producing a document on facts relevant to 34 and 35 and
18	it's probably right that your Lordship actually reads	18	facts relevant to 36A which we will undertake.
19	from C on page 91, the bottom C, "We make the following	19	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: And in fact you're anticipatin
20	general observations", down to after (iv) on page 93.	20	that that document will identify facts which are in
21	(Pause)	21	dispute not necessarily in dispute but the relevance
22	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	22	of
23	MR TROWER: That reflects the parties' position. Now,	23	MR TROWER: The relevance of which is in dispute. I think
24	everyone is agreed that there's a need given the	24	that needs a little bit of drafting, a bit of tinkering
25	suggested bifurcation for there to be updated position $P_{\text{res}} = 2C$	25	with.
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1	My Lord, that's where we've got to on this. I'm not	1	34, 35 and 36 at this stage unless your Lordship wish me
2	sure what the parties' final position is on timetabling	2	to.
3	and it may be your Lordship needs to hear from them.	3	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: No, that's fine. Thank you very
4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Very good. Mr Dicker.	4	much. Mr Smith. You're not taking part in this?
5	MR DICKER: My Lord, so far as the amendment to question 34	5	MR SMITH: No, My lord. This might be a convenient moment
6	is concerned, we're content with that. The only thing	6	just to mention that your Lordship will have seen
7	we would say is we're still considering whether this	7	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: You would like to be supplied
8	requires any amendment to the position papers or any	8	with position papers.
9	further evidence. Obviously the administrators in their	9	MR SMITH: Yes, skeleton arguments and position papers in
10	evidence haven't considered other potential non-provable	10	the normal way but not to file our own or to participate
11	claims but I don't think that is going to be a practical	11	in the hearing as presently advised.
12	issue.	12	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: All right.
13	So far as the question of admissibility is	13	MR SMITH: Grateful my Lord.
14	concerned, we respectfully suggest the administrators'	14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Mr Zacaroli.
15	approach is also a sensible pragmatic one. We suspect	15	MR ZACAROLI: My Lord, can I make some submissions about the
16	it's unlikely at the end of the day that there will be	16	agreed statement of facts for issues 35 and 35 on the
17	any material dispute in relation to this but if there is	17	one hand and then the approach to issue 36 on to other.
18	then obviously that can be most easily determined at the	18	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.
19	hearing itself.	19	MR ZACAROLI: And preface it with this point, that we are
20	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Mr Dicker, can I just interrupt	, 20	not here concerned with construing an agreement between
21	if you just move the microphone so it points at you. It	21	the two parties that are before the court and therefore
22	might be of assistance to the transcriber.	22	taking into account the matrix of facts available to the
23	MR DICKER: So far as the draft order is concerned, subject	23	two parties before the court. What we are asking the
24	to I think two small points we're content with	24	court to do in relation to issues 34 and 35 is to come
25	paragraphs 2 to 6. The two points we have are firstly	25	up with an answer of construction that is as of general
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1	in a lation to many small 4. (The time in a Will stress	1	and institution on it monthly one has an operation when
1	in relation to paragraph 4. The timing. What we	1 2	application as it possibly can be amongst parties who
2	originally suggested was 10 April. We think we can	2	are not before the court and whose own personal circumstances are not known.
3	probably cope with 6 April. Any sooner than that is	4	In those circumstances we think the only way the
4	going to be very difficult if not impossible, in large	5	court can do that is to proceed on the basis of not just
5	part because both Mr Fisher and I now have to prepare	6	agreed facts but agreed facts which are assumed to be
6 7	for the Waterfall 1 appeal and obviously we didn't argue that the first time round in front of your Lordship and	7	the only relevant facts for the purposes of that
8	that the first time round in front of your Lordship and there's a fair amount that requires to be done in	8	determination. There may well be creditors who have had
9	relation to that.	9	personal communications with the administrator or whose
10	My Lord, the second is paragraph $4(2)$. It's the	10	circumstances are such that there are other factual
10	reference to "file and serve a statement particularising	11	matters relevant to construction of their agreement,
12	all of the relevant facts."	12	it's important that any such creditor can see at
12	My Lord, we are slightly concerned that if that is	13	a glance whether the findings the court makes on this
13	what is required the document may end up rather longer	13	generic level are distinguishable or not because it's
14	and less useful. What we would simply suggest is, we	15	own facts have been distinguishable or not. For that
16	will and are happy to file and serve a statement	16	reason there are two things, the court must be clear
17	particularising the relevant facts, what we don't want	17	what facts the court has taken into account, and,
18	is someone to subsequently turn round and say this small		secondly, make clear that it's assuming that those are
19	fact wasn't included and therefore you are not entitled	19	the only facts relevant.
20	to rely on it but again I'm sure that is something the	20	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Can you just help me on this
21	parties can deal with sensibly.	21	The CDDs first of all, they were bilateral agreements
22	My learned friend I think mentioned the tweak	22	were they?
23	require to paragraph 7 so far as the administrators'	23	MR ZACAROLI: They were yes.
24	document is concerned. We would be content with that.	24	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: But in a common form?
25	I wasn't proposing to say anything more in relation to	25	MR ZACAROLI: Well
25	I wasn't proposing to say anything more in relation to Page 30	25	MR ZACAROLI: Well Page 32

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1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: There are several editions of		MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That's the difficulty I'm having
2	them but they were not individually negotiated.	2	hear in a way.
3	MR ZACAROLI: Some were.	3	MR ZACAROLI: Where one is dealing with something which is
4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Some were?	4	not well, let's take this right down to this case,
5	MR ZACAROLI: Some were, yes. There are different varieties	5	let's say we are talking about a currency conversion
6	out there and there are slight differences between	6	claim, whether that is included or not and assuming that
7	different CDDs between different parties. So we are	7	both parties had no appreciation of the existence of
8	looking here at the ones that are most generally	8	a currency conversion claim then that could be
9	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: So we are looking at	9	a relevant fact to the construction of the agreement but
10	particular I see. But particular CDDs in particular	10	if particular parties had different understandings about
11	forms and those forms were quite widely used.	11	that then it might be different. So for example if
12	MR ZACAROLI: Yes, and there's the point about changing over	12	a creditor understood there were such claims I don't
13	time because the latter ones had exclusions for	13	know that that's the case of course but just assume
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. I see. So the CDDs to	14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: We have evidence that the
15	which 34 and 35 are directed, albeit that they clearly	15	administrators didn't this point had not occurred to
16	changed other time were nonetheless could be	16	them until it was raised with them in early 2013, so
17	described as standard form agreements, is that right?	17	I can't I mean, it's a slightly I'm not sure in
18	MR ZACAROLI: Mostly standard form but not absolutely	18	terms of the construction of the standard of
19	standard form. What the court has is a typical example,	19	an agreement whether the subjective knowledge of the
20	which was annexed to our original position paper and so	20	parties, the existence of a claim it's a difficult
21	far that's the only whole CDD that's actually been	21	thing to grapple with.
22	the court's been asked to determine issues in relation	22	MR ZACAROLI: Subjective knowledge not but if there were
23	to.	23	again we're speculating, we haven't identified every
24	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: There's one CDD	24	creditor and examined the circumstances that existed
25	MR ZACAROLI: There are two because there's one that's	25	between every creditor and the administrators when they 25
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1	a pure CDD, there is second one that is a CDD entered	1	entered into their CDD, whether there were different
2	into by creditors who signed up to the CRA.	2	communications between them that are not replicated
3	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: As I understand it I'm being	3	in are not revealed in the evidence because the
4	asked will be asked to look at different editions of	4	evidence here is dealing with general matters. We just
5	the CDDs so it's gone wider than that.	5	don't know what's out there.
6	MR ZACAROLI: It has gone wider than that although I'm not	6	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Anyway your point is you have to
7	entirely clear how many different editions given that	7	be clear I'm in agreement with this, the court and
8	most of the editions referred to in the evidence of	8	the parties have to be clear what facts are being used
9	Mr Lomas are those that are after the time that waivers	9	as the relevant material for the construction of the
10	were included in them as a matter of course, which	10	agreement. And as you say creditors who say there are
11	there's obviously no argument to be had about whether	11	different facts applicable to them, that preserves their
12	they waived a currency conversion claim and if it	12	position to say well it has a different meaning for me.
13	specifically excluded that from the waiver.	13	MR ZACAROLI: That's one side. The other thing is we need
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think the reason I'm asking	14	to know at the hearing what facts the court is being
15	these questions is that where you've got a standard form	15	asked to take into account.
16	agreement which is in reasonably wide use, and the	16	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Quite. I think Mr Trower was
17	parties adopt that standard form, or enter into it in	17	hoping on 34 and 35 to produce a document which will
18	knowing that it is a standard form of course you	18	make that clear.
19	might have specific clauses added but on the issues	19	MR ZACAROLI: And the only addition I would make to that
20	which we are concerned with here, as a matter of	20	it's paragraph 7 of the proposed draft order. What's
21	construction, you would not expect the agreement in	21	missing from although I think it's meant to be there
22	similar terms to be construed differently depending on	22	from the discussion that has been had this morning, the
23	different parties, depending on the identity of the	23	facts must be those which a general application that
24	parties.	24	are relevant and are admissible. And it's the third
25	MR ZACAROLI: I'm not sure I	25	word, admissibility, which
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1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think what Mr Trower is	1	purposes of the currency conversion claims and not with
2	envisaging is he will produce a document which there	2	everything on the appeal. So I understand there's a lot
3	may be disagreement about whether a particular fact is	3	of work for them to do but we do need these position
4	relevant and therefore admissible.	4	papers well in advance of the May date so that we can
5	MR ZACAROLI: Yes.	5	prepare our responsive paper but also prepare arguments
6	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: And his document will identify	6	in good time for the May date. And the other point is
7	that.	7	we are of course receiving their papers just before the
8	MR ZACAROLI: Yes, so long as that's clear.	8	Easter break and producing ours just after the Easter
9	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think Mr Trower is probably	9	break, we are content to provided we have the times here
10	proposing to rejig paragraph 7 a bit to reflect that.	10	but if we only get theirs on, I think it was suggested
11	MR ZACAROLI: Yes in which case we are content with that.	11	6 April, it makes it very tight for us indeed in order
12	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: You are content with that?	12	to get the papers properly prepared in advance of us
13	MR ZACAROLI: Yes, we are. The fact is that most of the	13	producing our skeleton arguments.
14	evidence is inadmissible that's been served to date. I	14	So we would suggest the compromise dates are
15	think there is common ground about that. There may be	15	a sensible compromise and we are happy to go with those.
16	some matters at the edges but most of it has not been	16	My Lord, that's all I have to say on issue 36.
17	served with the intention of being admissible.	17	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Right. Thank you very much
18	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: The CRA, that's the agreement	18	Mr Trower.
19	which was the earlier agreement in the context really of	19	MR TROWER: My Lord, I don't think I have anything that
20	client money claims is it?	20	I need to add. The only thing I thought I ought just to
21	MR ZACAROLI: Trust assets.	21	mention to your Lordship in the light of the way the
22	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Not client money, thank you.	22	discussion went about admissibility is that Mr Lomas
23	Yes.	23	does deal with the CDDs and the extent to which they
24	MR ZACAROLI: That we have said on 35 and 35. 36,	24	were standard form documents in his evidence and they
25	essentially we are agreeing to this process, the cut	25	were presented as take it or leave it documents, there
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1	down varian of issue 26. Although we do make this	1	may have been some negotiation round the edges on some
1 2	down version of issue 36. Although we do make this point in our skeleton, I reiterate it today, we do	2	of them but that is the background. It's dealt with in
2		2	paragraph 45 of his witness statement.
4	remain sceptical that this is possible, that it is capable of being resolved at a generic level on the	4	But, my Lord, so far as the timetable is concerned
5	basis that we are here talking about whether assuming	5	I don't really have anything to add. We do respectfully
6		6	suggest our compromise is
7	the agreements do waive these claims whether the circumstances are such the administrators should not be	7	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Mr Dicker says 31 March is going
8	able to rely upon that as against creditors and there	8	to be very difficult.
9	the circumstances of different creditors may well lead	9	MR TROWER: Yes.
	to different answers. So it's even more important here	10	MR TROWER: Tes. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: He proposes 6 April. Which is
10 11		11	Easter Monday I think.
12	that the facts upon which the court is making the decision, assumed to be the only facts relevant, are	12	MR TROWER: Yes.
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22 court is open on Easter Monday but I suppose they can 22 MP TPOWEP. I mean the avample Mr Dicker gave open	
22 FIR TROWER, Theat in Dicker gave one	might say
23 file it by email, maybe they can. So anyway, Easter 23 that the fact wasn't actually relevant for the purposes	
24 Monday then I'll leave it to you, to you all to agree 24 of which this order was drawn. We entirely agree with	
25 knock-on dates which I'm sure you can do in a way which 25 that. It's plainly important that everybody should know	,
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1 will sensibly give everyone the time they need before 1 what are the material facts on which the court has	
2 the start of the trial of tranche B. 2 reached its conclusion.	
3 MR TROWER: That's to include some telescoping of the 3 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That's right and I's	
4 skeletons 4 precisely that that Mr Zacaroli and indeed you show	
5 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes, but in a way it may be 5 respond to the case made on the identified facts. So i	
6 that everyone given that, frankly part of the time 6 it is then sought to introduce more facts well then	
7 that would you have had Mr Dicker's position paper may 7 there will be an application to do so which could no	
8 be down time over the Easter weekend, it's not going to 8 doubt be sensibly dealt with and provided it didn't add	1
9 be down time for him and his team, but, you know, that 9 to people's burden it would be allowed in.	
10may give you a little bit of slack, as it were, in10MR TROWER: Yes quite.	
11 agreeing but I feel sure you will be able to agree 11 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I had better ask M	r Dicker -
12 something. 12 MR DICKER: I fully understand where your Lordship	s coming
13MR TROWER: We'll13from and in broad terms we agree.	
14 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: You will endeavour to. 14 The only thing that I would emphasise to	
15 MR TROWER: We will endeavour to do so, my Lord, and if 15 your Lordship is the parties are trying to find a way to	
16 unexpectedly we run into difficulties we will let you 16 enable your Lordship to decide this issue. There are,	
17know.17as we understand it, some 1600 CDDs, with 460 client	t
18 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Of course. So far as the the 18 money supplemental deeds entered over a period of	
19other point Mr Dicker said is on paragraph 4(2), a19a number of years. And the CDDs themselves change	d as
20statement particularising all of the relevant facts.20your Lordship knows in form over time and the content	ct is
21 And Mr Dicker said he felt that could be sensibly dealt 21 obviously absolutely vital, we say. That broad contex	t
22 with, which again I think it can be but I think it 22 is given by the evidence which has been filed,	
23should be clear, I'm sure it is clear to Mr Dicker, that23particularly by the administrators in the form of	
24his statement should set out really all the facts of any24Mr Lomas' statements and Mr Copley's, and certainly	we
25 significance on which they rely because the facts are 25 see the good sense of producing a statement of facts,	
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relevant facts. What we were concerned I think 1 aren't going to suggest to your Lordship that your 1 2 essentially to avoid was trying to turn everything in --2 Lordship insist on it. Then annexed to the draft order 3 Mr Lomas', Mr Pearson's and Mr Copley's witness 3 is the questions and the question so far as the foreign 4 statements et cetera into that statement of facts. 4 lawyers are concerned, schedule A for the New York law 5 I don't think in the end this should be an issue. But 5 experts, schedule B for the German law experts and 6 the only thing I would say is we don't accept my learned 6 schedule C for the French law experts are, as 7 7 friend Mr Zacaroli's characterisation of the evidence to I understand it, agreed. There aren't any questions 8 date as largely inadmissible. Plainly there are --8 that arise in relation to them. 9 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think he was talking about 9 So the only issue that remains for your Lordship to 10 issues 34 and 35 when he said that. 10 be informed about is the parties' present position in 11 MR DICKER: Even in that context --11 relation to timing. The administrators only interest --12 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: You don't accept that? 12 well, it has two interests, they have two interests. 13 MR DICKER: Plainly there are statements in there of 13 One is to ensure that we get this case ready for trial 14 subjective belief as to what the document means and 14 as soon as practicable and the second is that there is 15 those may be inadmissible. But much is intended 15 built into the timetable a slot for the administrators 16 essentially to set out what the objective purpose, as 16 to put in evidence of foreign law if so advised and 17 understood by the parties, of those agreements was and 17 that's really just to make sure that if there are points 18 18 as I say context in this situation is everything. But, that aren't being taken by the parties they are covered 19 my Lord, we would invite your Lordship certainly to 19 off in some way or another. 20 delete the words "all of". 20 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Mr Zacaroli I think in his 21 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I will delete the words "all of 21 skeleton suggests that I should direct that a date be 22 but let it be clearly understood I expect the statement 22 fixed through the usual channels for tranche C -- for 23 to contain the material facts on which you all rely. 23 a trial. It struck me as having a lot of sense. 24 MR TROWER: On which happy note we move on to tranche C. 24 MR TROWER: I think it certainly concentrates the parties' 25 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: We move on to tranche C. 25 minds. Page 45 Page 47 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: And you get a place in the 1 MR TROWER: Tranche C is a little further down the line. 1 2 What tranche C is all about is essentially all about 2 timetable. 3 master agreements. Cost of funding and foreign law are 3 MR TROWER: Yes. 4 the two areas of contention in relation to the evidence. 4 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: In the queue. Is it thought 5 So far as the -- it may be that from my point of 5 that sometime in the autumn is the time to aim for? 6 view, because I probably won't have -- don't have very 6 MR TROWER: We had always had in mind a date in October 7 much to say on this because there's a bit of a debate 7 sometime, if that was feasible. 8 8 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Okay. I do think that's going on between the parties, but if your Lordship goes 9 to the draft order, I can most happily deal with in that 9 a sensible thing then everyone knows the date to which 10 way for today's purposes. The directions that are being 10 we're working. 11 sought in relation to these issues relate to expert MR TROWER: Yes. 11 12 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: And so I could give a direction evidence. The parties are essentially ad idem on expert 12 13 13 evidence of foreign law. that the parties apply to the clerk of the list to fix 14 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 14 a date for trial of tranche C, before me on the first 15 MR TROWER: The questions, your Lordship will see there are 15 available date after whatever date you think sensible in 16 a whole series of blank dates in there and the joint 16 October. administrators aren't able to say exactly where the 17 17 MR TROWER: Yes. Part of that may depend on the time that 18 parties are in relation to that and it's largely driven 18 the parties think is required for the expert evidence 19 by them not us at this stage. 19 but that is very sensible, my Lord, yes. 20 As far as the foreign lawyers are concerned we are 20 The main area for debate relates to the disciplines 21 talking about a New York lawyer, a German lawyer and 21 required for the cost of funding --22 22 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: So far as dates for the expert a French lawyer, there was a suggestion at one stage as 23 23 to whether or not there should be a single expert but evidence is concerned, do I take it that that's a matter 24 that doesn't seem to have gone anywhere and the nature 24 on which you're aiming to agree? 25 of this litigation is such that the joint administrators 25 MR TROWER: I hope so although I haven't -- I regret Page 48 Page 46

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1 I haven't really heard what the parameters of the 1 MR ZACAROLI: The timing is agreed, so the end of June for 2 dispute is. So whether it's -- I would imagine it's 2 first round of experts on foreign law. In a sense the 3 3 capable of agreement. I certainly hope so. But timing thereafter for responsive reports in meetings I haven't seen what it is that the two warring factions 4 4 I think probably await the date we know that that's 5 want by way of time for the foreign law aspect. 5 going to be fixed because it's sensible to work back 6 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Should we just deal with the 6 from that and I'm sure that can be agreed between the 7 7 foreign law aspect first before getting on to the rest parties. We have identified experts in two of our 8 8 of --fields and we are working on a third. 9 MR TROWER: Yes. 9 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I'm not going to require the 10 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Have the parties got anywhere ih 10 experts to be identified in the order because I think 11 identifying their expert? You wouldn't because you are 11 it's better to get the order finalised and made but I do 12 reserving your position. Mr Dicker. 12 think it's sensible in agreeing dates to take account of 13 13 MR DICKER: My Lord, so far as foreign law experts are the commitments of the experts you instruct. All right. 14 concerned we are content with paragraphs 8 to 25 of the 14 I think, Mr Trower, it looks as if you can agree between 15 draft order. There is, as my learned friend mentioned, 15 you the dates that are to be inserted there. a question of timing. I'm not sure the parties are MR TROWER: Yes, and Mr Zacaroli's point about it working 16 16 17 warring in relation to this. We originally suggested 17 back from the date of fixture seems very sensible. 18 extending the existing date of 30 April to 22 May. 18 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Very sensible. We then move t 19 Wentworth's response was that it would seem more 19 the cost of funding points. 20 sensible to have until the end of June and we can see 20 MR TROWER: Yes. There's quite a lot of material on this 21 some sense in that. That would obviously give 21 which the parties have taken. I think it's fair to 22 22 sufficient time still for the start of the trial. I'm characterise the joint administrators position on this 23 23 not sure the parties have agreed times that fall within is that we have been trying to broker a deal, which is 24 that. But I think that's the present suggestion. 24 what we've been trying to do, in order to -- as 25 So far as the questions are concerned in schedules 25 I understand it we are now, and I think probably the Page 49 Page 51 1 A, B and C, again those as I understand it are agreed 1 best place to find this is in the correspondence bundle; 2 between the parties and there is nothing I need to say 2 there are issues between the parties in relation to the 3 in relation to those. 3 precise nature of the expertise that is required. And 4 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Identified your experts yet? 4 there are issues between the parties I think still in 5 5 MR DICKER: My Lord, as I understand it we have although relation to the precise question that needs to be asked 6 I don't have their names to hand. 6 of the cost of funding the experts and how far it goes. 7 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Because in a sense -- this is 7 The parties have been moving together on this point 8 8 and it may be that it's -- the place your Lordship finds quite important when one's fixing dates because they may 9 have commitments -- it's an iterative process but if 9 the latest iteration of the questions for the cost of 10 10 they have an immoveable commitment one has to work round funding experts is I think page 109. Then there's a red 11 it. I would prefer if the order identified the experts, 11 line version at pages 111 and 113. 12 12 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: So 109 -which is what the CPR at the very least recommends. 13 MR DICKER: I've just been I think corrected. We have 13 MR TROWER: 109 is a clean version of what your Lordship 14 identified our German law expert. I'm instructed our 14 finds at 111. 15 New York and French experts are not at the moment 15 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes okay. I see. 16 served. I suppose the other issue in relation to trial 16 MR TROWER: My Lord, I wasn't really going to say anything 17 of course is an estimate as to how long it will take. 17 more about it than that at the moment. I mean we --18 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 18 apart from save to say this: the joint administrators, 19 MR DICKER: We were thinking certainly two weeks, given the 19 obviously on this issue as on any other issue, are 20 volume of expert evidence that may be required. Again 20 concerned to get as much assistance as the court can 21 21 I don't know what my -sensibly give in relation to the working out of claims 22 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: We'll have to move -- it partly 22 that are actually being made. And they can see and 23 23 depends on the other area of expert evidence. agree with the concept of the court getting considerable 24 MR DICKER: Yes. 24 assistance from expert evidence on this point. Now how 25 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Mr Zacaroli. 25 far the point goes from a question of on the one hand Page 50 Page 52

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1	pure point of construction in relation to what the words	1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: But it may be that that's really
2	mean in a specific defined market, how far it goes	2	just a drafting point because it may be your real
3	beyond that is a question on which there may be	3	questions are the in particular ones. And so that's
4	a certain there still is a certain amount of debate	4	just a comment I want to make, that I prefer the
5	between Wentworth and the FCG. But I think from and	5	question of construction to be tied to particular types
6	in a sense I don't want to be stealing anyone's thunder	6	of financing.
7	in relation to that because it is right that they	7	I get to 1(a) and that's just borrowing, so that's
8	express their position in their own words so	8	an identified and the question there is that doesn't
9	your Lordship can hear exactly where they are on that.	9	seem to me conceptually that that raises the difficulty
10	But so far as the joint administrators are concerned	10	I mentioned. The question is does that phrase mean only
11	I think the most I can say is that the more assistance	11	borrowing, is really what that 1(a) is asking. That is
12	we can get as to what it means and how it is to be	12	right isn't it?
13	applied the better.	13	MR TROWER: Yes.
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Just with that in mind could we	14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: In the first line incidentally
15	just spend a moment looking at the questions first of	15	is it 1(a):
16	all.	16	"Only be ascertained with reference to the
17	MR TROWER: Yes.	17	(Reading to the words) cost"
18	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: So we start with question 10.	18	"to the payee" rather than "of the payee", just
19	This is under the ISDA master agreement. Incidentally	19	a minor slip there, I think it is probably "to the
20	can I ask this? Is there, so far as this is concerned,	20	payee". And in fact within (a) you have a second
21	any difference between the 1992 and 2002 editions?	21	question well you have a series of questions in the
22	MR TROWER: I don't think there is. But can someone behind	22	brackets actually.
23	me check.	23	MR TROWER: Yes.
23	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I don't know of course it	23	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I wasn't quite sure I'm
25	wouldn't necessarily just be the definition of default	25	asking all this because it has a bearing really on the
25	Page 53	25	Page 55
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1	rate, there could be other difference. But at any rate	1	whole question of expert evidence. But I wasn't quite
2	so far as question 10 is concerned that looks just to be	2	clear, looking at the words in brackets I mean I can
3	a pure question of construction, it doesn't raise any	3	see the first part of the words in brackets:
4	matters of expert evidence at all save as to foreign	4	"(and if so whether such borrowing should be assumed
5	law.	5	to have recourse solely to the claim that it is funding
6	MR TROWER: Yes.	6	or to the rest of the relevant payee's encumbered
7	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Can I say with question 11 I'n	1 7	assets.)"
8	troubled by the first well the first sentence. "On	8	So that's a kind of recourse and non-recourse
9	the true construction of the term default rate as it	9	finance sort of question. But I find slightly more
10	appears what meaning should be given to the expression?"		
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1 Mr Dicker will go into a bit more detail on this I'm 1 claims being assigned and who the payee --2 sure but there has been an attempt to try and tie this 2 MR TROWER: Yes. I'm not -- I haven't noted down that it's 3 down by way of example the McKee witness statement in 3 agreed. But I can see that it's an issue which may need 4 4 particular that identifies specific ways of looking at consideration as to how relevant it is. Well, no, 5 it. But I quite appreciate that the wording as 5 I think it would be relevant if it is an issue. 6 present -- drafted on the face of the application notice MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I can see that if the payee in 6 7 does in effect invite your Lordship to write a textbook 7 the definition of default rate means the counterparty, 8 8 and we're certainly not inviting your Lordship to do the counterparty has assigned its claim, and the 9 9 counterparty has since gone into liquidation and been that 10 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Not an invitation I would 10 dissolved how is this meant to work, but the question I 11 11 think may be well, is anyone saying that is a real accept 12 MR TROWER: No, I can understand that. And it may be that 12 issue? 13 one of the things we need to do is to make sure that it 13 MR TROWER: Yes. No I think that's right. 14 is clear insofar as it isn't already clear from the 14 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Anyway. Is 17 a live issue? 15 examples that have been put forward through the McKee 15 What does it mean? 16 witness statement as to exactly what it is that 16 MR TROWER: 17 links back I think to 10 and 11 as I've read 17 constitutes other costs apart from the basic borrowing. 17 it. 18 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: So stated I find it difficult to Having made that observation it may be better for 18 19 Mr Dicker to carry on. 19 really understand the question actually. 20 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Okay. (Pause) I'm just reading MR TROWER: "In circumstances where ...(Reading to the 20 21 further down. Going on to 12. I think perhaps again 21 words)...asserted costs if it were to fund the relevant 22 22 amount ' the comments I've made before apply -- 12(i) and (ii) 23 23 appear to be talking about borrowing costs. I may be So it's trying to get at the hypothetical. 24 wrong. (iii) is again in a very broad term, expressed 24 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: It is indeed but I'm not sure 25 very broadly and I think too broadly (iii). 25 what is meant by "what principles should be applied". Page 57 Page 59 MR TROWER: Yes. 1 MR TROWER: In a sense of course at the time these questions 1 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Again it's perhaps rather 2 were drafted they were trying to elucidate responses. 2 3 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I see. (Pause) 3 generally expressed. 4 14 and 15 are rather different. Those are not 4 MR TROWER: I think it falls into your Lordship's point 5 5 clearly questions to which expert evidence is -about the text book writing. 6 MR TROWER: No, and indeed once one goes to them quite a lot 6 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Then 18 is a question of 7 of these are agreed. 14 and 15 are certainly agreed. 7 construction of the agreement. 8 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: They're agreed are they? 8 MR TROWER: Yes. 9 MR TROWER: Yes. As is 18 I think. 9 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 10 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: So 14 is basically you have to 10 MR TROWER: I've just been told from behind that 16 does in 11 11 act rationally and in good faith. fact appear to be agreed. MR TROWER: Yes, it's that point. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Okay. 12 12 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: And 15, the burden lies on the 13 13 MR TROWER: So we have a raft in there of issues which are 14 14 other party on the challenge. likely to be agreed. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Okay, Mr Trower, that's very 15 MR TROWER: That's right yes. 15 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Okay. So they're not going to 16 16 helpful, thank you. So I think on any footing some of 17 arise 17 these questions may need to be -- I think will certainly 18 MR TROWER: The main burden of the case is actually 10 and 18 need to be amended to --19 11 in fact. 19 MR TROWER: Defined down to identify precisely what it is --20 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Can I just read -- is 16 agreed 20 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Exactly. 21 MR TROWER: -- that is being is asserted. or not? 21 22 MR TROWER: 16 I don't think ... I didn't note down that it 22 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: But on the question whether 23 23 was. (Pause) there should be expert evidence and to what extent at 24 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I see. Yes I see. Does 16 --24 this stage you are content for Mr Dicker and Mr Zacaroli 25 that's a real issue is it? This is it the context of 25 to address me. Page 60 Page 58

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1	MR TROWER: Yes, apart from to say that the principle of	1	a market usage amongst certain participants in the
2	expert evidence we do support	2	derivatives market and we have identified them as
3	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes, I mean there are two stage	3	financial institutions. Now, my learned friend
4	to this, aren't there? Mr Zacaroli says he wishes to	4	Mr Dicker's solicitors wrote to us yesterday with
5	advance a case that this phrase or at any rate part of	5	a series of questions about the precise ambit of the
6	it has a market usage.	6	market, how notorious et cetera, the sort of questions
7	MR TROWER: Yes.	7	one might they've asked those questions. And asked
8	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: And that the ISDA master	8	for a response by 31 March. The reality is we're
9	agreement should be construed in accordance with that	9	prepared to do that. We are prepared to answer those
10	market usage.	10	questions by 31 March, the deadline they have requested
11	MR TROWER: Yes.	11	from us.
12	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Which is I mean classically	12	My Lord might not be surprised to hear that although
13	a matter for expert evidence. I think Mr Dicker as	13	there were various deadlines for expert evidence on part
14	I understand it is concerned to understand well what	14	C that were running in tandem with what we've been doing
15	market are we talking about here? Which participants	15	in the last two months events have to a large extent
16	does this apply to and questions of that sort. He will	16	overtaken us and therefore we are grateful for that
17	explain himself.	17	opportunity and we will provide the answers requested in
18	MR TROWER: Yes, he will explain himself.	18	that time. But in essence it's a particular usage
19	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Mr Zacaroli says that's the full	19	within not all users of the master agreement but for a
20	extent to which expert evidence should go. Mr Dicker	20	certain class of users.
21	says that it should go much wider or rather wider and	21	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: When you say financial
22	include corporate finance evidence going to the	22	institutions, what do you mean by that?
23	different types of funding.	23	MR ZACAROLI: Again we will provide in due course with the
24	MR TROWER: Yes.	24	assistance of an expert the precise ambit but broadly
25	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: It may be the best point is to	25	speaking we start with banks. But it's not just banks,
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1	hear from both of them but I am concerned to understand	1	it's institutions similar to banks that are involved in
2	how the administrators are going to be best helped by	2	the derivatives market on an active and regular basis.
3	answers to these questions and what is needed in order	3	That's, again we can define that more clearly but
4	to provide practical assistance to the administrators.	4	broadly speaking. So one can say what's excluded
5	MR TROWER: In very short form what is needed for the	5	perhaps more easily. It's a hedge fund for example
6	administrators is obviously this sense that when someone	6	which is not within that categorisation and it excludes
7	is asserting a particular cost of funding in a form	7	your ordinary corporate user of a master agreement who
8	which has been identified as being a realistic form,	8	is entering into it for a particular swap transaction
9	hence the McKee evidence, the administrators are	9	et cetera. It's parties that are if one goes back to
10	reasonably well-equipped to determine whether or not	10	very beginning of the ISDA master agreement, if one
11	what is actually asserted on the ground complies with	11	starts with the parties it was primarily intended for,
12	what's requires to be proved for the purpose of	12	banks and other institutions, of a similar nature but I
13	establishing the cost.	13	can't really, without going back to our expert
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. Thank you very much.	14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: All right. This would lead to
15	I think what I ought to do is to take the two	15	the possible conclusion that the ISDA master agreement
16	strands of expert evidence separately and probably to	16	contained is to be differently construed depending on
17	hear Mr Zacaroli first on the market usage evidence and	17	who the parties to the agreement are and the way you are
18	you will have an opportunity of responding to that,	18	approaching the case is to say that provided financial
19	Mr Dicker, and I will deal with the expert evidence you	19	institutions, as you define them, are on both sides of
20	would like to adduce. So, Mr Zacaroli.	20	the equation, then the market usage would apply.
21	MR ZACAROLI: I'm not quite sure what my Lord	21	MR ZACAROLI: Yes.
22	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: There is some evidence you wis	n 22	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: But unless that's the case it
23	to adduce and I'd like to hear you about that.	23	carries whatever meaning it carries, there is no market
24	MR ZACAROLI: Yes. As we've set out in our skeleton	24	usage.
25	argument and our position paper it is to establish	25	MR ZACAROLI: Yes.
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1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Right. So what direction are	1	necessarily. There may be entities which don't fund
2	you looking for from the court at this stage?	2	themselves by borrowing at all or for whom equity
3	MR ZACAROLI: The only direction at this stage I think	3	funding would for one reason or another be more
4	these questions are in agreed form I think. And if	4	appropriate and (b) deals with that.
5	my Lord has the most recent set of questions, page 109	5	11
6	of the correspondence bundle I think, it's simply	6	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: So (b) is really directed to
7	question 1.	7	equity investment, is it?
8	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: You say that question 1 is that	t 8	MR DICKER: Yes. 11(2) deals with a different way of
9	question is agreed?	9	approaching this. Again your Lordship will see this in
10	MR ZACAROLI: I believe so. The form of that question	10	due course from Mr McKee, this is what he refers to as
11	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: It's agreed okay, fine. What	11	the first basis. The short position in relation to this
12	sort of expert is going to be giving evidence on this?	12	is that again an expert on corporate finance will say
13	MR ZACAROLI: An expert essentially someone who is expert	13	that the most accurate way of measuring the cost of
14	within financial institutions in the derivatives market.	14	funding involved in a case like this is essentially to
15	So it's an expert in the derivatives market from the	15	work out the cost of funding this particular asset. In
16	perspective of financial institutions.	16	other words one's concerned with the incremental cost of
17	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes, I understand. So that's	17	obtaining the additional funding and the expert will say
18	what you're asking for there.	18	the most accurate way of measuring that is affectively
19	MR ZACAROLI: Yes.	19	by reference to the asset itself which is the defaulted
20	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I'll hear Mr Dicker just on this		LBIE receivable. And the answer to that comes from some
20	aspect.	21	work by two individuals who ended up winning the Nobel
22	MR DICKER: My Lord, just before dealing with that would	22	price for it, that effectively the result is independent
22	your Lordship mind if I just dealt with your Lordship's	22	of the asset or capital structure of the entity
23	question in relation to question 11?	23 24	concerned. So essentially you end up with the same
24	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes, certainly.	24	answer regardless of the corporate entity involved.
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1	MR DICKER: My Lord, I entirely agree with your Lordship's	1	Again I can show your Lordship that from Mr McKee's
2	comment about the way the question is formulated. But	2	witness statement.
3	just to explain the structure which has been followed	3	So we essentially have two bases. The first one is
4	through your Lordship will see in Mr McKee's statement.	4	broken down between borrowing on the one hand, but
5	11(1) and (2) break down the possible ways in which	5	including the question of what the true cost of
6	a party might say it has incurred costs within the	6	borrowing is. Is it simply limited to interest fees or
7	definition of default rate. $11(1)(a)$ deals initially	7	has it an incidental impact which also needs to be
8	with borrowing. The second part in brackets	8	measured and alternatively by reference to equity.
9	your Lordship referred to deals with an issue that	9	And then the second approach your Lordship will see is
10	arises in that context. The Senior Creditors Group's	10	discussed in terms of essentially the cost of the
11	case is if you incur, if you borrow money the cost to	11	relevant payer being forced to fund LBIE because one way
12	the entity of borrowing that money is not limited simply	12	of analysing this is effectively the entity has in
13	to the interest rate on the borrowing and any fees	13	effect extended credit to LBIE, it's owed money by LBIE
14	incurred, if you borrow money that has an impact on your	14	which LBIE at the moment is not paying. So that's the
15	capital structure which increases the cost of equity and	15	structure of question 11.
16	any corporate, properly advised, would include that cost	16	If your Lordship then goes to the draft order, my
17	in estimating its total cost of funding for the purposes	17	learned friend Mr Zacaroli is right. The terms of
18	of default rate. So that's the reason for the	18	question 1 are agreed. Those essentially relate to
19	additional works.	19	Wentworth's arguments that there is a trade usage in
20	And your Lordship see this in due course from the	20	relation to this. And your Lordship is also right that
20	two bases on which Mr McKee proceeds in his statement.	20	Wentworth's case is that the definitions of default rate
21	This is effectively the second basis. Subparagraph (b)	21	in the ISDA master agreement effectively has two
22	is effectively an alternative to borrowing. Wentworth	22	different meanings, depending on the entity that's
23 24	as we understand it say one is essentially concerned	23 24	involved.
24 25	with borrowing and that's it. We say again not	24 25	Now your Lordship can see that most clearly if you
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1	go back to, if your Lordship has it, the position papers	1	of costs referred to above."
2	in the bundles of the last hearing, and go to the fourth	2	And:
3	respondent's, Wentworth's position paper. It's	3	"The expression 'cost of funding(Reading to the
4	bundle 1, tab 5. It's at page 24 of tab 5 that	4	words)subject again to the definition of costs
5	Wentworth deals with question 11. If your Lordship	5	referred to above."
6	quotas to paragraph 70:	6	The reference to costs referred to above
7	"So far as issues 11(1) and 11(2) are concerned the	7	your Lordship will see if you go back to 69 the cost
8	answer differs depending on whether the(Reading to	8	to it of notionally or actually raising funds in an
9	the words) such as a fund or corporate."	9	amount equal to the relevant amount. The use of the
10	And then it deals with each separately. So 71:	10	word "cost" indicates the expression refers to such
11	"In relation to credit institutions and financial	11	amount as the counterparty would be required to pay in
12	institutions referred to generically as banks. The	12	funding the amount. The point is then made that it
13	expression 'cost if it were to fund the relevant amount'	13	should be the lowest amount because otherwise we're not
14	has a general understood meaning in the banking	14	dealing with a cost but an amount paid voluntarily.
15	derivatives market ie among bank counterparties to ISDA	15	On Wentworth's case in addition, so far as nonbank
16	master agreements namely that it means the bank's own	16	entities are concerned, there is also the question as to
17	cost to fund."	17	what the cost to the entity is of notionally or actually
18	So one has two stages. First of all this is	18	raising funds in an amount equal to the relevant amount.
19	concerning banks and banks only. And secondly so far as	19	My Lord, so far as the expert evidence which
20	banks are concerned there is a generally understood	20	Wentworth seeks is concerned, my Lord, as I hope I've
21	meaning. This phrase means cost of funds. Cost of	21	made clear firstly we're content with such directions to
22	funds (2):	22	be given for such expert evidence. We are content that
23	"Is a concept generally understood in the banking	23	the questions in paragraph $1(a)$ to (g) and our
24	market to mean the weighted average(Reading to the	24	additional request for clarification is something
25	words) total notional amount."	25	Wentworth is happy to provide by 31 March.
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1	My Lord, the first point as your Lordship knows is	1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Thank you. That's helpful.
2	we have asked for clarification of Wentworth's case in	2	So I think that probably takes care of the area of
3	relation to this. Because though they refer to credit	3	expert evidence that Mr Zacaroli wishes to put before
4	institutions or financial institutions here, or	4	the court and to which you would want to respond. So
5	generally banks, the way they have expressed it in	5	far so good.
6	correspondence has varied over time, on occasions it's	6	Now we move on to the expert evidence you wish to
7	banks, on other occasions it's financial institutions	7	put forward which as I understand it Mr Zacaroli
8	active in the derivatives market. Generally active and	8	opposes.
9	other variants. What we've essentially asked for is for	9	MR ZACAROLI: Yes.
10	Wentworth to explain its position in relation to each of	10	MR DICKER: The second area of expert evidence is relevant
11	the points in question 1(a) to (g) of the draft order	11	in two contexts. Firstly if the Senior Creditor Group
12	page 109. These are the questions for the experts but	12	is correct, that the phrase in the ISDA master agreement
13	obviously it would be helpful to know Wentworth's	13	should be given its natural meaning, whether you are
14	position is in relation to each of these points	14	a bank or other entity and doesn't bear some separate
15	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	15	trade meaning and, secondly, so far as Wentworth's
16	MR ZACAROLI: before we actually ask our expert for his	16	alternative position is concerned, by that I mean its
17	view. That is the agreed and that is by 31 March.	17	position in relation to funds and corporate entities.
18	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Quite.	18	Now, the meaning of the phrase in the ISDA master
19	MR DICKER: My Lord, the second part of Wentworth's	19	agreement is obviously ultimately a question of
20	construction, your Lordship see at paragraph 72 of their	20	construction for the court. But in the usual way issues
21	position:	21	may arise in that context on which expert evidence may
22	"In relation to funds in corporate entities	22	be of assistance. For example we say that we're
23	(Reading to the words) refers simply to costs	23	entitled to calculate our costs on a basis X, Y or Z or
24	which the relevant entity would incur if it were to	24	to include factors A and B and if we do so that will
25	acquire the relevant amounts subject to the definition	25	fall within the relevant provision in the master
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agreement and Wentworth disagrees. 1 claim an effective rate of interest greater than the 1 2 2 And we say an expert can assist in identifying the Judgments Act rate and again I will come back to those. 3 3 Wentworth's position, as we understand it, is that various costs that an entity may incur and explain why 4 4 they are or are not costs. Your Lordship's seen Mr McKee clearly sets out the basis on which claims can 5 an example already from question 11. You can borrow 5 be advanced. Its position as we understand it is that 6 money. Is the cost of borrowing money simply limited to 6 that explanation is sufficiently clear, no expert 7 7 evidence is required. And we say not so. the interest of fees or does that have an impact on your 8 8 capital structure and effectively causes you to incur As your Lordship will see in a moment expert 9 9 an additional cost as well? evidence will assist the court in understanding the two 10 My Lord, the expert may also be able to comment on 10 approaches and assist it in deciding on what does or 11 the way in which entities may approach the question of 11 does not or is or is not capable of being a cost for the 12 ascertaining such costs and explain the concepts 12 purposes of the definition of default rate. 13 13 Now, just showing your Lordship the two bases and involved. 14 14 My Lord, at the last CMC your Lordship said that it starting, because it's probably easiest to start with 15 would be helpful to have greater clarity on the bases 15 this, with the second basis. If your Lordship goes to 16 upon which claims can be put forward. And that led to 16 paragraph 18, picking it up at 19, Mr McKee says: 17 the November order, let me just remind your Lordship of 17 "As an alternative, ie alternative to the first 18 that. It's in the CMC bundle volume 1 at tab 3. It's 18 basis, albeit less precise way of measuring cost of 19 volume 1. Tab 3 is the order and the relevant paragraph 19 funding would be to look at the enterprise's overall 20 20 cost of funding across all its assets and attribute that is paragraph 10. So: 21 "The Senior Creditor Group do by 15 January file and 21 blended cost to the amount in question. In this context 22 22 served on the administrators ...(Reading to the many of the same principles discussed above are 23 words)...substantiate such claims to interest and assist 23 relevant. Using this approach one would examine the way 24 any experts instructed in due course pursuant to 24 the enterprise has obtained funding for all purposes, ie 25 25 paragraph 12 below in preparing the expert evidence by what percentage is debt rather than equity funding, Page 73 Page 75 1 reference to such real claims." 1 estimate the funding cost of each component and based or 2 2 And that was in part a response to your Lordship's this analysis calculate the enterprise's overall blended 3 suggestions and in part also prompted by the 3 cost of funding. The result is the enterprise's 4 administrators, as my learned friend Mr Trower said, 4 weighted average cost of capital being the cost of 5 5 wishing to ensure that the administrators get guidance funding a portfolio of all the enterprise's existing 6 which they can apply. 6 investments. 7 That led to, as my learned friend said, Mr McKee's 7 "Having calculated a relevant ... (Reading to the 8 8 witness statement which is at tab 14 of that bundle. If words)... therefore one can use this calculation to 9 9 your Lordship goes to paragraph 4 on the third page measure the cost to the relevant payee of raising 10 10 an incremental sum of money equivalent to the relevant Mr McKee says: 11 11 "In compliance with the order ...(Reading to the amount. Although a cost of funding calculated on the 12 12 words)... rate in excess of the Judgments Act rate." second basis fails to isolate specific funding 13 And then that report is attached. The report is in 13 attributable to the defaulted LBIE claim in the way that 14 14 three parts. There's an introduction your Lordship can first basis does the second basis accurately captures 15 see on the following page. Then just to identify the 15 a relevant payee's average cost of funding across all of 16 parts. Paragraph 10 contains the first of two bases of 16 its assets including its defaulted claim against LBIE. 17 calculation and I'll come back to these. The first 17 This is likely to produce a conservative result, ie to 18 basis for calculation starts at paragraph 10 and it's 18 understate the true cost of funding where, as will often 19 19 be the case, the defaulted LBIE claim is riskier than on the cost of funding the defaulting party in the 20 20 relevant amount. average the other assets of the relevant payee." 21 21 The second basis starts at paragraph 18 and it's the And in this case 21 makes the point that: 22 22 cost of raising a sum of money equal to the relevant "There are likely to be distinctions between the 23 amount. 23 respective costs of funding the different relevant 24 My Lord, then there are, beginning at paragraph 22, 24 payees even though they each hold an asset with 25 three examples of circumstances in which entities can 25 ...(Reading to the words)... are taken into account in Page 74 Page 76

1	assessing their cost of funding."	1	irrespective of whether the enterprise holding the claim
2	My Lord, that's one approach which the Senior	2	is a financial institution, a hedge fund or a corporate
3	Creditor Group contends is a proper way to measure cost	3	entity."
4	and cost of funding and is capable of falling within the	4	Now, my Lord, that's Mr McKee's explanation of two
5	definition of default rate.	5	bases which the Senior Creditor Group contend are proper
6	Now, the first basis, if your Lordship goes back to	6	approaches to measuring costs, cost of funding and fall
7	paragraph 10, unlike the second basis focuses on the	7	within the construction of the default rate. And we
8	cost essentially of the specific asset with which one is	8	respectfully suggest that your Lordship would be
9	concerned and starting at 10:	9	assisted by experts explaining in more detail the
10	"A defaulted claim against LBIE is an asset	10	conceptual basis underlying both bases, why they involve
11	belonging to the relevant payee. There is a cost to the	11	costs and costs of funding of the relevant entity, to
12	relevant payee of holding the defaulted claim in lieu of	12	enable your Lordship ultimately to decide whether as
13	having the funds that should have been paid to it by	13	a matter of construction they're capable of falling
14	LBIE. Put another way there is a cost to the relevant	14	within the definition of default rate.
15	payee of being forced to fund LBIE in the sum of the	15	My Lord, we do say that there's nothing in fact
16	relevant amount over the period of LBIE's default."	16	unusual in any of this. For example if your Lordship
17	Then 11:	17	has an issue for example whether or not a surgeon was
18	"It's a fundamental, albeit not immediately	18	guilty of negligence it would be of course for
19	intuitive principle of corporate finance that the key	19	your Lordship to decide whether or not ultimately the
20	determinant of the cost of funding borne is the risk and	20	actions of a surgeon were or were not negligent but in
21	term of the asset being funded, illustrated simply the	21	deciding the answer to that question your Lordship will
22	true cost to an enterprise of funding an investment in	22	often be helped by an expert to explain the task which
23	a risky bearing additional risk."	23	the surgeon was undertaking, the way in which the
24	12:	24	surgeon would normally undertake it, the reasons why it
25	"In the case of LBIE's claims the relevant payee is	25	went wrong, essentially to insure your Lordship fully
20	Page 77		Page 79
1	forced to bear the risk(Reading to the words) for	1	understands, as it were, the area of expert evidence to
2	an indefinite term. A material chance the relevant	2	decide the ultimate question.
3	payee will never be repaid in full which increases the	3	My Lord, we say both bases are bases which would
4	riskiness of the asset. Market participants demand	4	repay or deserve assistance from an expert, certainly
5	a high rate of interest for bearing such risk. It is	5	I have never come across for example a Modigliani Miller
6	this rate that represents the true cost to the	6	theorem before I was introduced it and it does take,
7	enterprise of funding LBIE over its period of default."	7	certainly speaking for myself, a little time to
8	Then 13:	8	understand the economic intricacies involved.
9	"This key principle is captured in a widely	9	Now
10	understood postulate(Reading to the words) does	10	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I wonder whether the draftsma
11	not depend on the type of financing a firm uses to raise	11	of the ISDA 1992 master agreement was familiar with the
12	capital, whether the firm uses equity debt or a mixture	12	theorem.
13	of the two but instead depends on the nature of the	13	MR DICKER: My Lord, that may not be relevant, if the
14	asset itself."	14	draftsman of the master agreement was sufficiently wise
15	My Lord, I won't continue reading 14 through to 16	15	simply to say an entity ought to be able to claim its
16	although those continue to explain the way in which this	16	cost of funding, that being a question of fact, he was
17	basis operates. Your Lordship should note 17 picks up	17	essentially leaving it open for the parties to say we
18	the point I think I made earlier and Mr McKee says:	18	now understand and can appreciate what precisely the
19	"It follows that there a number of different	19	costs involved are, even if that understanding may not
20	enterprises(Reading to the words) factors to be	20	have I don't know whether it was or wasn't present to
21	a material distinction between their respective true	21	the draftsman at the time he drafted it.
22	costs of funding an asset. In other words applying the	22	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: But aren't you it seems to me
23	first basis to calculate the cost of funding of	23	you're actually this is really like Mr Zacaroli's
24	an enterprise in respect of a defaulted LBIE claim	24	approach. You're really suggesting there was a market
25	should not produce materially different funding costs	25	usage that as the concept of costs as used in the
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1	definition of default rate encompassed these sort of	1	definition of default rate.
2	costs.	2	MR DICKER: We say your Lordship will be assisted in
3	MR DICKER: My Lord, not necessarily. I mean, plainly it's	3	deciding that second question. If you fully understand
4	possible that parties have in the past used this method,	4	the conceptual basis and the nature of the costs
5	one or other methods to estimate their cost. That's one	5	incurred in the first and second bases as set out by
6	approach. But we're not contending, as it were, this	6	Mr McKee. I mean, take an example going back many,
7	meaning was a notorious universal meaning, or even	7	many years probably too many years, but if the court
8	universal between particular entities. We don't need to	8	were asked to decide for example what cost the capital
9	contend that. We say it's ultimately a question of	9	was. Now there are two approaches the court could
10	whether or not something is a cost. But in the context	10	determine. It could either say well this is just
11	of corporate finance, in understanding precisely what	11	a question of construction. I will effectively work it
12	costs an entity occurs and how properly you should	12	out for myself. Or it can say, well, one way in which
13	measure those costs, that is an area, plainly an area on	13	parties' accountants and others approach estimating
14	which expert economists, corporate financiers have	14	costs of capital appears by what's called the weighted
15	written and commented and your Lordship would repay some	15	average cost of capital and the court may think it's
16	assistance from them in understanding the concept in	16	helpful to ensure that it ultimately understands what
17	that context.	17	that theory is, how it works and how it applies before
18	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: But the question is whether this	18	finally ruling on what is or is not within the
19	definition encompasses costs of that sort.	19	contractual phrase "cost of capital". In a sense what
20	MR TROWER: Yes.	20	we're saying here is not that much different from that.
21	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That's a question of	21	This is the way costs of funding is approached by
22	construction of the master agreement. If it does so	22	a corporate financier. These are costs and costs of
23	if it has a very broad meaning then in advancing a case	23	funding properly incurred. These are bases on which
24	for particular costs in a particular case one can	24	parties can rationally and properly advance a claim
25	readily see the scope for expert evidence. Because the	25	interest. But your Lordship needs, we say, to
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1	claimant will say: well our cost of funding of the sort	1	understand those bases and in our respectful submission
2	that you've been describing was X and this is how we get	2	that is best done by experts rather than simply by
3	to it. That's not the question here. The question here	3	reading Mr McKee's report which is what Wentworth
4	is whether this phrase encompasses that type of cost.	4	appears to envisage.
5	Now, I'm trying to understand how you put the case	5	Now, my Lord, obviously in some cases one might be
6	there. Because before you get to the theorem and so on	6	concerned about costs involved in instructing additional
7	you have to have concluded that the ISDA master	7	experts. My Lord, obviously that shouldn't be a concern
8	agreement intended to encompass that type of cost within this definition.	8 9	for your Lordship in this case, the amounts involved are
10		9 10	sufficiently large. But this isn't a case in which
10	MR DICKER: My Lord, that we say, like any question of	10	additional costs should play a material part in deciding whether or not a direction for experts should be given.
	construction, is in a sense an iterative process. Your Lordship needs to understand fully the sort of		
12 13	costs which can be incurred and their conceptual bases	12 13	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Looking at the first basis of calculation, I mean I don't you may say I shouldn't
13	before coming back to ultimately decide whether or not	15 14	really enter into this, but looking at the definition of
14	they fall within the definition.	14	default rate it's the cost to the payee of funding the
15	I mean take	15	relevant amount, plus 1 per cent per annum. Now the
10	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: In other words the sort of costs		relevant amount is the amount owed by the counterparty,
18	we're talking about I mean having you've set out	18	the close out amount, whatever it is. So the payee has
19	here types of costs which and your expert evidence	19	not received a million dollars, which it should have
20	will be directed to establishing that this is what	20	received and it's got to fund a million dollars. Why is
20	people talk about in a costs and sort of corporate	20	it anything to do with funding LBIE? The identity of
22	finance context. I mean that might all be agreed, that	22	the counterparty is irrelevant. We just have a
23	corporate financiers would talk about this in their	23	counterparty who hasn't paid the million dollars. Now
24	areas as cost and so on. The question then is well, is	24	what is the cost to the payee of funding a million
25	that a meaning to be attributed to costs in the	25	dollars?
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1	say to that would be the most accurate way of measuring	1	assets, including a defaulted claim against LBIE. Now
2	that is not by taking the entity's whack, the most	2	in that way the nature of the risk inherent in the LBIE
3	accurate way of measuring that is on this basis.	3	receivable will be taken into account in an assessment
4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Of looking at how much it woul	d 4	of the overall whack. Now, one can effectively take it
5	cost you to fund the loan of that amount to LBIE?	5	all the way down to the stage at which one gets to the
6	MR DICKER: Yes.	6	first basis. Imagine a company whose only asset happens
7	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That it seems to me to come bac	k 7	to be the claim against LBIE. It goes to a lender and
8	to a question of construction of the clause. I mean	8	it says I want to borrow money, the lender asks what
9	okay, that's what he says is the most accurate way of	9	assets do you have and it says I have this claim against
10	measuring the cost. But is that arguably within the	10	LBIE, and this is the cost.
11	meaning of the clause?	11	Now, the expert's view as I understand it is that
12	MR DICKER: My Lord, we say of course yes. We also say that	12	actually that ultimately is the approach one ought to be
13	when your Lordship hears from an expert and understands	13	taking, in a sense that is in fact the most accurate way
14	precisely why this is the most accurate way of measuring	14	of measuring the incremental cost involved. But there
15	the costs, if it is the most accurate way of measuring	15	isn't a sharp distinction between the two in the sense
16	it you would expect it to be captured by the definition	16	that on the second basis no aspect or no consequence of
17	of default rate.	17	LBIE's default can in any way feed into the cost of
18	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Not necessarily. It all depends	18	funding because plainly it will, whatever form the
19	what the default rate is seeking to achieve. These	19	funding takes, whether it's by way of loan, whether it's
20	questions can be asked in all sorts of different	20	by way of equity capital it's going to have some impact
21	contexts.	21	and the only question is the matter of degree.
22	I see it's now just after 1.00 and the transcribers	22	My Lord, that I think is all I wanted to say in
23	have had a long morning. I will rise now, Mr Dicker.	23	addition in that respect.
24	And I will sit at 2.15.	24	My Lord, just from a practical point of view if
25	(1.03 pm)	25	I can ask your Lordship just to look at the questions
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2	(2.15 pm)	2	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.
3	MR DICKER: My Lord, not wishing to travel over ground that	3	MR DICKER: My Lord, I do this simply because I am not sure
4	we have already trod but a few more submissions if I may	4 5	at the moment that I understand precisely what questions
5 6	in relation to the question of expert evidence. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	5 6	the court will be invited to determine, with the assistance of experts if an expert is not permitted in
7			relation to either the first or the second basis.
8	MR DICKER: My Lord, obviously the two bases that Mr McKee puts forward are bases which the Senior Creditor Group	8	Paragraph 1 obviously deals with Wentworth's notorious
8 9	contend are bona fide and rational and that's obviously	0 9	meaning, if I can refer to it in that way. Paragraph 2
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in other words when you deal with 2, you also need to 1 example market participants, including financial 1 2 have a look at Mr McKee's statement and the methods he 2 institutions of the sort he refers to, can and do use 3 identifies, together with possible approaches imply in 3 alternative methods of assessing funding, for example 4 4 the witness statement of Mr Bingham on behalf of these. The second reason I understand question 2 is 5 Wentworth, or in Mr Lomas' statement and comment on 5 inserted, no doubt my learned friend Mr Trower will tell 6 6 me if I'm wrong, is to ensure the administrators don't whether those are consistent or inconsistent with your 7 7 simply get an answer to Mr Zacaroli's question, and are opinion. 8 8 My Lord, the final point is simply this. If left with nothing more than being told default rate 9 9 bears its ordinary and natural meaning and there's no your Lordship goes in the correspondence bundle to 10 page 100 there's a letter from Linklaters and it 10 further determination as to what precisely as a matter 11 identifies one other possible reason why expert evidence 11 of construction comes within that 12 12 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: But this question here is may be required. It's the penultimate paragraph on 13 page 101. My Lord, it may be easiest if you were just 13 prefaced with "If the answer to question 1 is yes", so that presupposes that Mr Zacaroli's market custom 14 to read that paragraph beginning "In addition to those 14 15 points". 15 meaning is accepted, in which case the question's answered. 16 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. (Pause) Yes. 16 17 MR DICKER: My Lord, the obvious point is simply this. I do 17 MR DICKER: My Lord, maybe I'm reading too much into change 18 18 by the time one gets to page 109, which as we now have not know whether or to what extent the evidence which 19 the Senior Creditor Group would wish to adduce by way of 19 a tweak which means these questions arise whether or not --20 20 expert evidence in support of two bases identified by 21 Mr McKee will necessarily cover this material. And 21 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think the same point arises 22 22 your Lordship I think can't safely assume that it would. Insofar as question 1 is answered yes, at the moment 23 If so that, it seems to us at least, is a matter which 23 that looks like it's the end of it, as far as the case 24 the administrators need to consider, in other words is 24 that he's putting forward now. I appreciate he's 25 25 there more expert evidence that may be required, what do putting forward a case in respect of a subset of parties Page 93 Page 95 1 that enter into these ISDA master agreements or 1 they need to ensure that they get the guidance that they 2 transactions based on the master agreements but as far 2 are hoping to receive from your Lordship. 3 3 My Lord, I think then at 104 that's picked up by the as they are concerned, as far as the meaning for which 4 administrators, my learned friend Mr Trower reminds me 4 he contends in that context, as I understand it that's 5 the end of the debate. 5 in the Linklaters earlier draft amendment to the 6 proposed questions, if your Lordship just looks at 6 MR DICKER: Yes, but if he's -- well, if he's right that 7 that debate itself may involve considering not merely 7 question 2(e), that as I understand it is a suggested 8 how he says banks approach things, but also how the 8 addition by the administrators effectively to deal with 9 the point in correspondence I just mentioned. 9 Senior Credit -- or take the administrators' letter, 10 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: The puzzling thing I think at 10 other creditors contend --11 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Well do you mean creditors 11 the moment about this is that Mr Zacaroli's clients put 12 falling within his definition of financial --12 forward a specific market usage meaning. And at the 13 13 MR DICKER: Yes. moment I don't understand that any of the issues in 2 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: So even in a case where you have 14 14 apply to the meaning which they put forward. The expert 15 evidence really on the market usage should be confined 15 a contract made between two financial institutions, as 16 Mr Zacaroli uses that term, and assume the answer to his 16 to the meaning which Mr Zacaroli's clients put forward. 17 Their case is it bears this meaning. Your case is it 17 question is "yes", it establishes that case, you say 18 18 doesn't. Indeed your case is it doesn't bear any market that these issues still arise. 19 19 MR DICKER: No. I'm sorry if perhaps I wasn't clear. The meaning. 20 So I don't at the moment see why one needs to ask 20submission was that in answering that question, in other 21 words is Mr Zacaroli right or wrong as between such 21 any of the questions in question 2, when considering the 22 22 institutions it means cost of funding as a bank meaning for which Mr Zacaroli contends. 23 23 treasurer would mean one response may be that's wrong. MR DICKER: I suppose two possible reasons. One of which is 24 the parties' response to Mr Zacaroli's position is it 24 It's wrong because the following alternative approaches 25 can and often are used. 25 doesn't bear the meaning for which he contends, for Page 94 Page 96

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1 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That I follow. That I follow. 1 wish to occur, thus effectively a desire to engage in 2 So you would be saying that the way he expresses costs 2 a debate which may try to give the administrators 3 3 of funding for the purposes of financial institutions is additional guidance. 4 4 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I accept that. I accept that. wrong because actually they use it in a quite different 5 way. That is evidence which would go to rebut his case. 5 I mean, your clients wish to advance the case that on 6 But if nonetheless he succeeds in his case, I don't see 6 its true construction default rate in the master 7 why we ask the questions in question 2, which after all 7 agreements extends to the concepts of cost to which 8 are "or under any term of art established in response to 8 Mr McKee refers and explains. 9 question 1." 9 MR DICKER: Or put another way, extends to concepts of cost 10 MR DICKER: Because you then have the remaining part even on 10 included within paragraph 2(a) to (f) of the draft 11 my learned friend's case of the operation of the default 11 order. 12 rate. In order words do those institutions who are not 12 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. I think my query is why d 13 banks or financial institutions --13 we need expert evidence on it? 14 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: But the point is that this 14 MR DICKER: Because we say your Lordship will be assisted in question 2 here is: which of the following could fall 15 15 understanding the precise nature of the costs involved, within the scope of cost if it were to fund or 16 16 the way in which they are incurred, the conceptual basis 17 17 of funding, either in its general meaning or under any of the assessment of costs in ultimately deciding 18 18 whether or not as a matter of construction they are term of art established in response to question 1. And 19 it's that latter bit which is neither here nor there. 19 within the wording the default rate. 20 20 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: It seems to me it's a very large MR DICKER: I think on the way your Lordship formulates it 21 that's right. The only way it could be relevant is if 21 exercise to undertake when one is seeking to construe 22 22 the rebuttal evidence to Mr Zacaroli's or Wentworth's the clause. I don't really understand why -- I mean on 23 23 position ends up effectively establishing an alternative one view one could take Mr McKee's witness statement and 24 24 trade practice. exhibit as it is now and say does the definition of 25 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: No. That's impossible. Because 25 default rate extend to these costs? Here's Page 97 Page 99 1 a description of it. Whether or not how it would play 1 there is only one trade meaning being put forward. 2 out in any particular case of course is a different 2 MR DICKER: Your Lordship's quite right. So I think so far 3 3 as, unless I'm missing something, your Lordship's right matter. But is it -- because that's the question I'm 4 in relation to those concluding words but we still have 4 being asked after all, conceptually are these costs as a 5 matter of construction within the meaning of the default 5 the points firstly the debate about whether or not 6 Wentworth is right may raise these alternative 6 rate definition. One approaches it as a matter of, you 7 7 approaches. In other words are these approaches which know, ordinary litigation and the Statement of Case. 8 I don't at the moment understand why the parties 8 the banks can and do take, ie is this evidence that 9 9 couldn't agree well that is indeed a way in which contradicts the existence of a general practice. And, 10 10 corporate financiers might approach the question of secondly, one has at least the remaining part of 11 costs. It's a perfectly respectable approach to the 11 Wentworth's case in relation to funds or other corporate 12 concept of costs. It just doesn't happen to be what 12 entities where you have effectively the same questions. 13 13 My Lord, just stepping back, one way the parties this clause contemplates. 14 14 MR DICKER: My Lord, your Lordship then needs, we say, to could have approached this was effectively to say to 15 understand precisely what these costs are and why they 15 your Lordship: look, ultimately this is a matter of 16 are ascertained in this way to be able --16 certification for the individual claimant. They have to 17 provide their estimate of costs and if it's rational and 17 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: But Mr McKee does a pretty good 18 bona fide that's an end of it. And effectively said 18 job of explaining things. 19 19 MR DICKER: With the greatest of respect Mr McKee he is not that's the process that should be adopted as between 20 20 an expert and he is not someone we would be proposing to each claimant and the administrators. 21 21 tender for the purpose of dealing with these matters. Now as we understand it that's not an approach which 22 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I'll hear what Mr Zacaroli says 22 the administrators would wish to occur. 23 but I'm just concerned that we're about to embark on 23 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: No. 24 MR DICKER: To the extent it ends up delaying things it's 24 an exercise, for the parties and the court, which is 25 25 simply not required in order to answer the question. not an approach which the Senior Creditor Group would Page 98 Page 100

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1	MR DICKER: My Lord, I need to persuade your Lordship	1	And thirdly:
2	obviously that there is sufficient potential benefit to	2	"In understanding the various ways in which the true
3	make it sensible to embark on this process now to avoid	3	cost of raising an incremental sum of money can and
4	the risk of, come the trial, your Lordship on hearing	4	should be measured."
5	from Mr McKee or anyone else decides some more	5	And the fourth way is:
6	assistance would be helpful.	6	"To understand the ways in which the true costs
7	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: There is always a chicken and	I 7	associated with being forced to fund defaulting party
8	egg here, I agree. Yes.	8	can and should be measured."
9	MR DICKER: My Lord, unless I can help your Lordship	9	Now a number of terms used in those subparagraphs,
10	further.	10	the first of which is reference to the true cost. It
11	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Mr Zacaroli.	11	immediately begs the question true according to what
12	MR ZACAROLI: My Lord, we start with the point that this is	12	standard? The only are relevant question is: is that
13	a question of the construction of the phrase "the cost	13	cost, that concept of costs referred to there within the
14	to the relevant payee if it were to fund the relevant	14	four corners of the definition in the master agreement?
15	amount."	15	Otherwise it's irrelevant to ask what true costs mean.
16	The proposed expert evidence which the Senior	16	Similarly the reference to how entities can calculate
17	Creditor Group wish to adduce in relation to that goes	17	their costs. "Can" could be used in two meanings there.
18	to the question of, my learned friend's put it in	18	First of all a way in which in theory they could go
19	various ways today, the cost to an entity of funding the	19	about doing it as a matter of calculation. That takes
20	entries as he put it, or cost to the entity of funding	20	us nowhere. The second possibility is "can" means the
21	the asset being the receivable from LBIE. There are a	21	way in which they are permitted to do so. But that is
22	number of different things you might be funding but not	22	also meaningless unless it's in the context of the words
23	the cost to fund the relevant amount, which is the only	23	of the agreement and takes you straight back to the
24	thing this court's concerned with, the construction of	24	question of construction, where the evidence will give
25	that phrase. And the way in which an entity might, an	25	no assistance at all. What a corporate finance theorist
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1	corporate or a fund might calculate the cost to it of	1	or practitioner might think the words mean.
2	funding its liabilities generally or funding	2	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That's clearly not I don'
3	a particular asset is irrelevant to that question.	3	think Mr Dicker would suggest that they could give
4	Now, my learned friend today has accepted two	4	evidence on that.
5	things: first of all as it clearly stated in	5	MR ZACAROLI: That is in fact the question that's being
6	correspondence before today that the FCG's case does not	6	suggested here because it's how should they measure
7	involve asserting any market usage. So that's not their	7	their costs and the only relevance of that question is
8	case. And secondly he accepts today that the expert	8	in the context of the construction of the agreement.
9	evidence he proposes to adduce would not assist the	9	Similarly then the other way to put it here is how
10	court with the meaning of the words. So we do ask the	10	do these entities calculate their costs? That really is
11	question well then what is the point of the expert	11	what this may come down to at the end of the day.
12	evidence if there's no market usage being asserted and	12	Mr Dicker wishes to advance evidence which simply
13	it would not assist the court in determining the meaning	13	explains the way in which corporates, funds, typically
14	of the words, which is the only question for the court?	14	do calculate whatever it is they're calculating, it
15	What they say in their skeleton is paragraph 64 of the	15	doesn't appear to be said to be calculating the amount
16	FCG's skeleton, tab 6 of the CMC bundle, page 24.	16	owed to them under the ISDA master agreement default
17	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	17	interest definition, it's more general than that, it's
18	MR ZACAROLI: Summarising four subparagraphs about the way		how they generally calculate their cost
19	in which they say the court would be assisted. First of	19	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: The question is for what
20	all in understanding how entities can and do calculate	20	purpose.
21	their funding costs, generally they are not referenced	21	MR ZACAROLI: Exactly. We say that one doesn't need expert
22	to the ISDA master agreement:	22	evidence to identify as a matter of fact the ways in
23	"Secondly understand the conceptual bases for the	23	which it is being suggested that or the concepts of cost
24	group's case that the cost of(Reading to the	24	which is being suggested fall within the definition. In
25	words)not limited in that way."	25	the same way as for example a notice says "no bicycles $D_{2} = 104$
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in the park", you might want to know what a bicycle is 1 question then would be given that background is that 1 2 and the court needs to understand what a particular 2 what the definition of default rate is aimed at. 3 3 party is saying constitutes a bicycle and it would ask MR ZACAROLI: So when I say for the purposes of construction 4 itself whether that fits the description or not. You 4 we are prepared to accept those are credible ways in 5 don't need expert evidence to tell you what the bicycle 5 which concepts of costs in the corporate financial 6 is, or at least what the argument for the bicycle --6 sphere. That doesn't mean we have to accept that they MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: There is always a danger in 7 7 actually are. One doesn't need to go to that step. All 8 8 analogies. we are saying is we are prepared to have the argument 9 MR ZACAROLI: Of course. 9 that whether they exist or not are they within the 10 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I suppose -- I mean clearly -10 meaning of the words, we are prepared to accept for the 11 the administrators would like this issue determined. 11 purpose of the argument, of construction, that they can 12 That's clear. The Senior Creditor Group is putting 12 be treated as if they are real concepts that happen in 13 13 forward a case for the meaning of default rate which the real world. 14 encompasses costs which are a good deal wider than the 14 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 15 case that you put forward. And so there's no objection 15 MR ZACAROLI: Which means you don't need expert evidence, to the case being put forward. 16 16 which is frankly unlimited in scope here because it's 17 The issue is whether there needs to be expert 17 not -- there are two bases of calculation put forward in 18 18 Mr McKee's evidence. He then has at the back of the evidence about that. 19 Now, does Wentworth accept that the concepts of cost 19 argument three actual case and my learned friend has 20 being put forward by Mr McKee on behalf of the Senior 20 seen those. It might be worth just glancing at them. 21 Creditor Group are concepts of costs which are in fact 21 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 22 MR ZACAROLI: Tab 14 of the CMC bundle. It's about halfway in use by corporate entities, financial or otherwise. 22 23 Or do they say no, this is all complete nonsense, no one 23 through the tab. There no page numbers but there's --24 ever thinks in these terms at all. 24 it's paragraph 22 in the long exhibit document. 25 MR ZACAROLI: We haven't undertaken the same exercise --25 Paragraph 22 is the example. He identifies three actual Page 105 Page 107 1 1 quite extensive exercise probably -- of going to examples without names. The first is a corporate in the 2 corporate finance experts and asking --2 part of a large group, with 3 billion in adjusted 3 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Is this a load of baloney? 3 profits et cetera and he sets out the sort of 4 MR ZACAROLI: -- does this make any sense at all in some 4 calculations over the next two pages which can be relied 5 5 context or other. I'm prepared to accept for the upon in support of the first basis and then the second 6 purposes of argument today that if we did do that we 6 basis. So between paragraph 22 and 30 you'll see actual 7 would find that in certain contexts this isn't baloney, 7 numbers there, an actual application of the bases to 8 8 this is something which corporate finance theorists and particular facts. 9 practitioners would identify as a cost that a fund or 9 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Right. 10 a corporate might incur. It might be a way of 10 MR ZACAROLI: The same thing happens in examples 2 and 3, 11 describing the costs they incur for particular purposes So the court will have as it were the equivalent of 11 12 12 but that takes us nowhere because -a pleaded case which is we say as a matter of definition 13 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: It takes us somewhere in the 13 costs includes the following three or four or five 14 14 sense that it is a legitimate use of the word cost -concepts. It will also have worked examples of that so 15 MR ZACAROLI: I accept that. 15 it can understand what those concepts are said to mean. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: -- or the cost of funding. 16 16 And that we submit is all the court really needs in 17 MR SMITH: Yes. 17 order to answer the question of construction, which 18 MR ZACAROLI: Yes. 18 requires you to go back to the agreement, the context 19 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: So in a sense without evidence 19 et cetera. One doesn't need any more. You certainly 20 but that being the case being put forward by Mr Dicker's 20 don't need theorists and practitioners from the world of 21 clients you would have to accept that that was 21 corporate finance doing extensive reports about the ways 22 a legitimate description of costs --22 in which this or may not happen in practice amongst 23 23 MR ZACAROLI: Yes. a whole range of different types of company. We are not 24 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: -- used in certain, and you 24 here talking about a particular expertise or 25 wouldn't have to define which circumstances. The 25 a particular profession with its own rules and Page 106 Page 108

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regulations, we are talking about something as general 1 this evidence is somehow forming a useful function which 1 2 2 is a permissible function. Just to be clear, my Lord, as the way this which corporations and hedge funds might 3 3 regard themselves as incurring costs by borrowing or in it's our position that it's only question 1 that is 4 4 relation to particular assets or their overall funding. necessary on our --5 That's a very broad concept. 5 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 6 It's made clear in the FCG's skeleton. We needn't 6 MR ZACAROLI: So for those reasons we say that really 7 turn it up, paragraph 62: 7 there's no purpose to be served -- no legitimate purpose 8 8 "For the avoidance of doubt Mr McKee's evidence does to be served by expert evidence from a corporate finance 9 not and is not intended to set out the ...(Reading to 9 expert. 10 the words) ... the cost." 10 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I see that question 3 refers 11 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I am just trying to look for the 11 first of all refers to Mr McKee's witness statement but 12 order that I made on 21 November. 12 then goes on to refer to methods potentially implied by 13 MR ZACAROLI: It's in tab 3 or 4 13 the actions of certain claimants' evidenced in 14 an exhibit to Mr Bingham's statement. 14 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I have taken it out. Just give 15 MR ZACAROLI: Yes. 15 me one moment. (Pause) So it was paragraph 11 -- no. MR ZACAROLI: 10, I think. MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: And the 11th witness statement 16 16 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: "To file and serve evidence 17 17 of Mr Lomas. 18 MR ZACAROLI: Yes. My Lord, what that is getting at and it explaining the basis or bases upon which they consider 18 19 they are entitled to advance actual claim as to 19 doesn't go to the question of, the pure question for 20 interest " 20 expert evidence. But it goes to this, that Mr Bingham's 21 Yes I see. Did you just refer to something Mr McKee 21 evidence identifies as a matter of fact that the vast 22 22 said in his witness statement? majority of claims which are currently visible as claims 23 23 MR ZACAROLI: No, I was referring to the skeleton argument for a default rate, of course -- nobody's submitted 24 of the Senior Creditor Group at paragraph 62. 24 claims for interest in the LBIE estate as of yet, there 25 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think the way I read it is 25 is no formal request for that. But that shows that the Page 109 Page 111 1 1 evidence mostly based on submissions in other LBIE that in the -- reading what is said here with my 2 2 previous order, these are the bases on which the Senior entities, which are guarantees of claims against LBIE, 3 Creditor Group put forward a case. If the 3 in the vast majority of those it so happens that the 4 4 rate of interest that has been claimed is very low administrators wish to put forward other bases for 5 5 decision by the court well that's for them. But -compared with the arguments for double digit or 20 per 6 I don't think that the Senior Creditor Group is trying 6 cent rates of interest based on these funding theories. 7 to reserve a right to provide other bases later on. 7 Mr Lomas' evidence suggests that they have the same 8 8 They could clarify. experience to the extent they have any experience within 9 MR ZACAROLI: Let's assume that. It still doesn't really 9 the LBIE estate itself. 10 10 alter the point that it's still open-ended scope of My Lord, can I just deal with one other issue 11 expert evidence here given no recognised discipline or 11 related to this which is the breadth of the questions. 12 12 profession et cetera. We are really focusing here on question 11 because 13 13 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. questions 12 to 19, many parts of them are agreed and to 14 14 MR ZACAROLI: The other point to make is the form of the the extent they're not they really just fall -- they are 15 15 a subset of question 11 in some way. question. Page 109 of the correspondence bundle. 16 My Lord just looked at this. It's the questions in the 16 Question 10 is obviously critical because that 17 latest -- in fact this is the Senior Creditor Group's 17 determines who it is and that's a very important 18 own draft. So question 1 we have dealt with. 18 question. 19 19 Question 11, we suggest we submit that the court's Question 2 -- actually the way this question is 20 20 formulated, "which of the following could fall within being asked to do is at a generic level determine what 21 21 the scope of" is nothing more than the question the potential calculations of costs or methods of 22 22 court's being asked. It's the ultimate question. So as calculating costs could be within the meaning of the 23 23 framed this can't work. phrase. This may be an obvious point but the court 24 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. 24 can't possibly go further than that and say that they 25 25 MR ZACAROLI: Which gives the lie we say to the idea that are within because whether they are within -- well, it Page 112 Page 110

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15 borrowing would have been available to them at the time 15 efficient use of court time and indeed parties' time and	
16 for example. All that information is necessary before 16 money to decide the issue of construction.	
17 you can decide the amount they did certify was rational 17 MR ZACAROLI: Yes. I accept that. But what I'm saying	s
18 and in good faith, taking into account the 18 that to the extent that further guidance is which is	
19 useful, I'm sure it is useful to have broader guidance	
20 So we have made the suggestion that if the 20 than that across the types of claim that are likely to	
21 administrators want to get further assistance, where you 21 be raised, then the appropriate forum for that is a test	
22 would be able to adduce expert evidence in various 22 case as opposed to trying to force in those sorts of	
23 fields no doubt, relative to a particular case, then 23 question into a question of construction	
24 provided you choose the cases carefully, and with types 24 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Coming back to it I a	ean the
25 of claim that are representative of the entire group, 25 question with Mr McKee's witness statement, the question	1
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1 then the court could give, case by case specific, but 1 is raised well are these costs that can fall within the	
2 guidance by determining the very issues in the context 2 definition of default rate. So it may be that the	
3 of test cases. 3 administrators will want to ask the same question in	
4 Now we suggest that would be a way of broadening the 4 respect of other types of costs, I mean they haven't	
5 scope of broadening the extent of the guidance the 5 said so yet but that's the point that Mr Dicker I think	
6 court can give, which it simply can't give if it's 6 made in his skeleton.	
7 simply asking questions of construction as are raised by 7 Those necessarily are quite generic issues but	
8 this issues. So we have made that suggestion. It 8 they're real in the sense that there are creditors who	
9 hasn't so far been taken up by anybody but we reiterate 9 wish to put forward at any rate the case Mr Dicker	
10 the suggestion. 10 advances.	
11 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: With a test case of course - 11 MR ZACAROLI: But the point I'm making is those of cou	se
12 I mean the first issue in a sense would be the issue of 12 are determinable on a question of construction, are they	
13 construction. 13 off side or not.	
14 MR ZACAROLI: Yes. 14 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.	
15 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That's the same issue as is 15 MR ZACAROLI: No expert evidence required for that. E	pert
16 raised by the administrators. And then in practice 16 evidence to the extent that it would be useful comes in	
17 well, in practice probably you'd have a single hearing 17 at the next stage.	
18 where you would argue the issue of construction, but you 18 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I follow, yes.	
19 also have the expert evidence and so on going to the 19 MR ZACAROLI: My Lord, unless I can assist further those	are
20 issue as to whether if on its proper construction 20 our submissions on that issue.	
21 default rate includes these types of costs, whether the 21 MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Thank you very muc	. I wil
22 claimant can establish that case in these particular 22 hear Mr Dicker at the end but I think I should hear you	
23circumstances.23first, Mr Trower.	
24 Now a court faced with that claim might say well 24 MR TROWER: My Lord, I wasn't going to say anything a	all
25 shouldn't we determine the question of construction 25 on the pure debate in relation to expert evidence	
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1	because I realise that's what's your Lordship is dealing	1	the assertions are being described and characterised by
2	with. Just so I can clarify our position in relation to	2	the arguments made on behalf the Senior Creditor Group,
3	question 2, the questions under 2, in the cost of	3	that your Lordship may feel assisted by expert evidence.
4	funding experts, your Lordship can see how that fits	4	But it's expert evidence of that character to assist the
5	from our perspective. What they were from the joint	5	court in understanding what may be being asserted as
6	administrators' perspective, irrespective of whether or	6	a cost of funding that may be not entirely, can I put it
7	not expert evidence in that form was considered by the	7	this way, easy to grasp at first blush, certainly if one
8	court to be appropriate, was a distillation of the	8	is a lawyer rather than an economist.
9	description of the forms of costs of funding which were	9	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Once one reads Mr McKee's
10	derive from a combination of the position papers and the	10	witness statement, as I have done, although I haven't
11	McKee evidence for the purposes of establishing whether,	11	worked through the detail of the examples at the end,
12	where in circumstances in which an assertion is made by	12	his explanation is very clear.
13	a creditor this constitutes the cost of funding, the	13	MR TROWER: Yes. That's why I put it in a relatively
14	court is able to give the administrators guidance as to	14	low-key way. Some tribunals may find it easier to grasp
15	whether or not that category of costs falls within,	15	the concepts that underpin this than others and at the
16	conceptually, the idea of cost of funding within the	16	end of day the expert evidence is to assist the court
17	meaning of the ISDA. So to that extent there's	17	because the one thing the administrators don't want to
18	obviously a very close correlation between that and the	18	find is at the end of this process the court feels
19	ultimate question which the court is being asked	19	uncomfortable about asking the question because the
20	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think actually question 2 is	20	evidence which has been adduced in support of
21	the question for the court rather than the question for	21	an understanding of the issue isn't sufficiently clear.
22	the experts.	22	I don't think it would be right for me to make any other
23	MR TROWER: I can see why it is that Mr Zacaroli put it that	23	submissions apart from that.
24	way. Just subject to one extra point which I am asked	24	MR DICKER: Just a few points by way of reply. Firstly so
25	to mention, and Mr Dicker raised this, there is the	25	far as the wording of question 2 is concerned, I think
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1	issue under 2(e) on page 104 that was mentioned in the	1	your Lordship and my learned friend Mr Zacaroli are
2	Linklaters letter that Mr Dicker took you to on	2	right as phrased. This is essentially asking the
3	page 101, is a further way of characterising or	3	ultimate question for the court and it could and in our
4	describing a cost that may be asserted as constituting	4	submission should be rephrased, essentially to ask which
5	a cost of funding.	5	of the following could be within the scope of "cost"
6	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Who asserted this?	6	raising an amount et cetera. So focusing more on the
7	MR TROWER: It was by another creditor. So it came to the	7	word "cost" than on the definition within default rate.
8	joint administrators relatively late on in the process.	8	The second point is this: My learned friend I think
9	So there is one category of descriptive cost of funding	9	was prepared to accept on a limited basis that certain
10	which isn't included in the McKee evidence but in	10	corporate finance theorists or practitioners, at least
11	respect of which the administrators would now like to	11	in some contexts, might apply one or other of the bases
12	seek an answer. It hasn't made it across from 104 to	12	advanced by Mr McKee.
13	109 but it needs to do so. I quite appreciate that	13	My Lord, I have to say I was unclear as to the
14	that's a different question from the one of whether or	14	extent of the concession. It appeared to be limited
15	not your Lordship is going to direct expert evidence of	15	solely to today and if so it is irrelevant for the
16	those questions.	16	purposes of the trial. Secondly, it was also unclear to
17	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: What view does the	17	me whether it extended to such use within the context of
18	administrators have of whether there should be expert	18	default rate or within analogous situations or whether
19	evidence?	19	what he was effectively accepting for the purposes of
20	MR TROWER: My Lord we can I answer the question this	20	argument was it might be used simply in other
21	way? It remains the case that we would like the court	21	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: It certainly wasn't but the
22	to answer the questions by reference to these arguments	22	the evidence wasn't your case is not being put
23	as to what might constitute cost of funding and it	23	forward on the basis. Your case is not being put
24	remains the case that if the court feels any concerns	24	forward on the basis that this is used as a cost for the
25	about understanding the way in which in a market sense	25	purposes of default rate. Your case is that this is
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1	an approach to costs of funding which corporate	1	work because Mr McKee isn't focusing on the cost of
2	financiers will use. It's not targeted at calculations	2	funding "the relevant amount". The submission my
3	for the purposes of default rate.	3	learned friend made was if you focus on the phrase "the
4	MR DICKER: My Lord, that's right. It's not targeted on	4	relevant amount" neither the second nor the first basis
5	default rate calculations. And we don't say that this	5	can arise. In our respectful submission that may simply
6	use, as it were, is a market practice as to how these	6	indicate that my learned friend could do with the
7	formulations are done but we do say this is an approach,	7	assistance of an expert.
8	both in theory and practice, which is used by corporate	8	My Lord, take the second approach that Mr McKee
9	financiers to work out costs in various situations	9	discusses. What is the cost of funding the relevant
10	including situations like the present one.	10	amount? Mr McKee says a party who goes out and says to
11	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I don't know where that appears	. 11	a lender "I want to borrow money" will incur not merely
12	You say "in situations like the present one" but there's	12	the cost of the interest on that loan and the associated
13	nothing in Mr McKee's witness statement which goes that	13	fees but will also incur a cost essentially imposed on
14	far.	14	the cost of capital which needs taken into account in
15	MR DICKER: My Lord, implicit in his statement is that	15	providing an accurate reflection of cost.
16	because these are two bases which the Senior Creditor	16	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I don't think Mr Zacaroli doe
17	Group are advancing they say are applicable in the	17	need the existence of an expert to understand that.
18	situation.	18	It's perfectly clear from Mr McKee's state that that is
19	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I appreciate that. But they're	19	what he says is a cost. As a matter of corporate
20	not putting forward a case and saying this is in fact	20	finance theory and practice. Not tied to any particular
21	what happens. Nor is Mr Zacaroli saying in fact it does	21	circumstance but that that is a legitimate approach to
22	not happen. The question is not whether it in fact	22	the question of cost, as it were, in general. And then
23	happens but whether it should happen, as a matter of	23	Mr Zacaroli will accept that as I understand it, and
24	construction.	24	then the question is a question of construction.
25	MR DICKER: My Lord, that is certainly how we were intending	25	MR DICKER: My Lord, and we say
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1	to argue the case.	1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: All the experts can do is to
2	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Tell me how you were intendin	g 2	further explain and elaborate upon that which Mr McKee
3	to argue the case.	3	has put in his statement and which is accepted by
4	MR DICKER: This is these concepts fall within these	4	Mr Zacaroli's clients as being a legitimate approach as
5	concepts properly understood fall within the definition	5	a general matter to the question of cost. And whether
6	of default rate.	6	it's applicable or suitable here is a question of law.
7	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes but not by reference to what	.t 7	MR DICKER: My Lord, yes. But we say a question of law that
8	people actually do when calculating default rate. You	8	your Lordship can find it easier to decide if an expert
9	are saying these are ways in which commercial	9	provided further colour as to precisely why and in what
10	undertakings would calculate cost or may calculate cost,	10	way those costs were incurred and the extent to which
11	without descending to detail about the context in which	11	they relate to the direct costs say of interest or the
12	they may do so.	12	fees.
13	MR DICKER: Your Lordship is absolutely right because	13	Now plainly that's one issue. The first basis is
14	ultimately there are only two possibilities. It's	14	more complicated.
15	either a question of construction for your Lordship or	15	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Interest and fees, sorry, I mean
16	it's not because there's a trade practice which	16	I think that's Mr Zacaroli's case, as I understand it.
16 17		16 17	I think that's Mr Zacaroli's case, as I understand it. At any rate leaving aside his trade or at least it's
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1	your Lordship's seen that. My Lord, certainly speaking	1	solicitors stating their position as regards Mr McKee's
2	for myself I would be assisted by an expert in	2	witness statement. I mean I anticipate in the light of
3	explaining to your Lordship how and why those costs were	3	what Mr Zacaroli has said that there will be
4	incurred and therefore why they are properly to be	4	an acceptance that these are approaches to the
5	regarded as costs within the scope of the definition.	5	calculation of cost which are in fact adopted as
6	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: You can't do that. He is not	6	a general matter by corporate financiers and so on but
7	permitted to give evidence as to why they should be	7	it's for them to explain their position in relation to
8	regarded as costs within the definition.	8	your case which is set out in Mr McKee's witness
9	MR DICKER: No.	9	statement. And then we can see in the light of that
10	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: He's able to give evidence abou	t 10	response whether any further direction of any sort is
11	costs and about these being costs that are it's	11	required. So I rule against you on expert evidence.
12	an approach to the calculation of costs undertaken by	12	So far as the formulation then of the one question
13	corporate financiers and others but he can't go beyond	13	for the experts that is there, this is really addressed
14	that.	14	to all of you, I'm looking, Mr Dicker, at your draft,
15	MR DICKER: No, your Lordship is right and I left out the	15	page 109. Paragraph 1 I am a bit concerned actually,
16	words when saying "and why therefore", I left out the	16	as to the formulation of question 1. I appreciate it's
17	words "and why in my submissions therefore it falls	17	agreed. But again it asks an entirely open question,
18	within the scope of default rate."	18	whereas I think what we're actually addressing is
19	My Lord, my learned friend's I think just two other	19	a closed question, which is the meaning contended for by
20	points. Firstly he says if you look at the questions,	20	Wentworth. So the question I think should be
21	there's an enormously broad scope of evidence we	21	directed I'm sorry that I'm undoing a lot of work,
22	require. My Lord, we say in reality it's not so.	22	but it should be directed at the case that Wentworth is
23	Your Lordship should not assume that any expert's	23	putting forward rather than it being a general question
24	reports dealing with Mr McKee's two bases will be	24	about whether there are any particular meanings or not.
25	particularly extensive.	25	Mr Dicker, I got you on your feet only because you
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1	The final point my learned friend made was test	1	happen to be the last person on your feet but it applies
2	cases. I don't think I need to say anything more than	2	to everyone. I think clearly many of the questions are
3	that.	3	applicable to that specific issue, but I think that the
4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: The administrators are conten	t 4	question needs to be restated in the targeted way in
5	to ask the court to rule on those issues in their	5	which I have mentioned but if any of you want to come
6	present form and I think that's a rational approach.	6	back to me on that by all means do.
7	I'm not saying test cases would be a wrong approach but	7	What does that leave for
8	I think this approach is a perfectly acceptable one.	8	MR TROWER: Probably the best place to go is to the order,
9	MR DICKER: Unless I can help your Lordship further.	9	just to make sure that the draft order which is
10	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Thank you very much indeed	10	behind tab 4.
11	Mr Dicker, on this question of expert evidence I think	11	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Are we clear about areas where
12	the position is sufficiently clearly expressed in	12	the questions are going to have to be reframed a bit?
13	Mr McKee's statement, the statement of your case, and	13	MR TROWER: Which questions
14	I don't think it will be assisted by expert evidence so	14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: The ones, the actual questions
15	I'm not going to give permission for expert evidence to	15	under paragraphs 10 and following. I think just quickly
16	describe what Mr McKee has set out in his witness	16	to run through it, Mr Trower, there's no problem about
17	statement. I take this as a statement of the case which	17	question 10. I think question
18	you're fully entitled to advance and will be fully	18	MR TROWER: Is your Lordship looking at the application?
19	argued but I think the statement of relevant fact which	19	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.
20	you contend for is sufficiently stated in this. This is	20	MR TROWER: It was your Lordship's
21	subject to there does need to be a formal response on	21	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Question 11, it was the first
22	behalf of Wentworth, so we know exactly what Wentworth's	22	sentence of question 11 which is just very broad as it
23	position is in relation to Mr McKee's statement. And so	23	stands at the moment.
24	I will direct within a time to be agreed that	24	MR TROWER: It's "what meaning should be given to" is too
25	Wentworth's solicitors should write to the other	25	open a question, is that
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1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes exactly. I think this	1	focus in a way which is acceptable to the parties and to
2	question I'm not sure in the light of things have	2	us.
3	moved on in the sense that we've got Mr McKee's	3	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.
4	statement.	4	MR TROWER: As to how to move away from an entirely
5	MR TROWER: Yes. What I'm just wondering is whether one	5	open-ended question, and that's obviously, I say
6	way forward on this is to articulate the question by	6	obviously, I would hope everyone would accept that would
7	reference to what was in paragraph 2 of the questions	7	be without prejudice to people if something else were to
8	for cost of funding experts, which is what we	8	emerge being specifically identified.
9	characterise as a distillation of the issues for the	9	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Of course. That has to be. It
10	court. I'm slightly conscious, my Lord, that this has	10	may be that 11(ii) gets wrapped up into the questions
11	had an enormous amount of work done on it.	11	that we have just been discussing but you'll consider
12	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Which	12	that?
13	MR TROWER: Here I am trying to ruin it on my feet.	13	MR TROWER: Yes, we will consider that as best how to
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: What has had a lot of work?	14	formulate it.
15	MR TROWER: The formulation of the question and how they	15	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think 12(iii) I thought was
16	interrelate to the	16	again rather open, or too open. I think we want to
17	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Sorry, the questions on	17	identify we got to the point where we can identify in
18	page 109?	18	the question anything that any party is putting forward,
19	MR TROWER: And how they interrelate with question 11.	19	can't we?
20	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I can see these are a	20	MR TROWER: Yes.
21	distillation. Those clearly are raised by Mr McKee's	21	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think maybe the rest I'm
22	witness statement.	22	not sure that I'd well, I don't think there's
23	MR TROWER: Yes, and subject to the extra point I mentioned,	23	a problem under 13. And then 14 and 15 are agreed. 16
24	which was in the Linklaters letter, do appear to cover	24	I forget how
25	the ground.	25	MR TROWER: 16 is agreed too, I think
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1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: All right.	1	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Is it agreed or I can't
2	MR TROWER: That's the only way I can think, on my feet, of	2	remember how we left the discussion.
3	narrowing it down.	3	MR TROWER: I think I was told it was agreed. Yes.
4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I follow that. I mean there's	4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think 17 was one that I was
5	first of all I think perhaps 11(1)(a) is directed	5	concerned about the formulation of.
6	to, as it were, the narrow meaning of default rate. So	6	MR TROWER: Yes. Very difficult to see what it adds to 11.
7	that's clearly a candidate, isn't it? and whether it's	7	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That's what I was wondering
8	limited to that. Then it's (b) which at the moment	8	MR TROWER: It relates back to 11.
9	well because this was issued months or a year ago or	9	
			MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I'm inclined to think so.
10	something, things have moved on a lot. It's really		
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1	thinking about.	1	MR TROWER: It's 126.
2	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Don't worry.	2	MR DICKER: At the bottom under the heading "Clarification
3	MR TROWER: 25 I think I've noted as agreed.	3	of Wentworth's case" and
4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Right. I see. I think 26 is	4	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I think this was the one
5	going back to the good faith rational type point, isn't	5	Mr Zacaroli said they would be responding to by
6	it?	6	31 March.
7	MR TROWER: Yes.	7	MR DICKER: Yes.
8	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Then we have no, that's it.	8	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I'm not sure it's necessary in
9	MR TROWER: That's it.	9	the light of that clear statement to put anything in the
10	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: For tranche C that is in	10	order.
11	a single block. Thank you. So now we were just going	11	MR DICKER: If my learned friend is going to provide
12	to look at the	12	clarification on 31 March, so I'm sure
13	MR TROWER: We go back to the	13	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: There's a liberty to apply of
14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Draft order.	14	course. But there is also as I indicated the other
15	MR TROWER: Tab 4. It starts at paragraph 8. I think	15	clarification which must be given in relation to
16	Mr Dicker and Mr Zacaroli both confirmed to you that	16	Mr McKee's witness statement. Whether it's accepted and
17	subject to timetabling questions they were content with	17	if not where it's not accepted.
18	page 8 to 25.	18	MR ZACAROLI: Absolutely. If we say at the end of March for
19	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes. That's right. As	19 20	that I'll need to take instructions about the timing
20	I understand it.	20	and my clients aren't in this jurisdiction so we may
21	MR DICKER: I wonder whether it wouldn't be more sensible	21	need more time but if we say for the moment that is the
22	when we get on to cost of funding for Wentworth	22	time we will work to but liberty to apply on that.
23	essentially to go first. For us to respond. At the	23	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: That's fine.
24	moment 27 involves simultaneous exchange.	24	MR TROWER: My Lord, again subject to I think that we
25	MR TROWER: I hadn't got there quite yet. I got to 8 to 25	25	need to insert, 27 is just going to be Wentworth filing
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1	so I think that is all	1	and serving reports on cost of funding experts. Then
2	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Subject to	2	obviously we have to have a sequential exchange in
3	MR TROWER: Working out the dates. Then 26 is, as Mr Dicker	3	relation to the FCG but subject to that it's really just
4	rightly identifies, where we go when considering	4	down to timetable
5	your Lordship's ruling. 26 needs to refer to what we	5	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Yes.
6	had at 109 but only paragraph 1 of it as being scheduled	6	MR TROWER: and it's really a question I think of
7	at schedule D.	7	probably most sensibly taking into account the other
8	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Then just reformulate it to be	8	commitments and working back from the date in October or
9	directed to the case that Mr Zacaroli is putting	9	whenever it happens to be to make this work.
10	forward.	10	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I agree.
11	MR TROWER: Then we previously had file and service of the	11	MR TROWER: And the parties will do their best to come up
12	reports on the cost of funding experts.	12	with a sensible solution on timetabling. I'm not sure
13	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: So Mr Dicker suggests it should	13	we can say very much more about.
14	be sequential. Mr Zacaroli?	14	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: I will leave that with you if
15	MR ZACAROLI: I can't really resist that. It is our case.	15	there's a problem then obviously apply to me.
16	MR TROWER: Would your Lordship just give me a moment.	16	MR TROWER: What I've noted down at the moment is that we'll
17	(Pause)	17	include in the order if we may a direction in relation
18	MR DICKER: My Lord, we need to insert at some point the	18	to listing.
19	clarification of Wentworth's case, presumably before we	19	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Not before what date?
20	get their expert report. My Lord, just so your Lordship	20	MR TROWER: We had been working for a date in October.
21	knows the request was made in a letter from Freshfields	21	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: If we said not before a date in
22	on 8 March which I hope your Lordship has towards the	22	the middle of October would that would be sensible?
23	back of the correspondence bundle. It's probably the	23	It's either Monday 12 or Monday 19 October.
24	penultimate letter.	24	MR TROWER: Monday 19th makes sense.
25	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: It's page what, sorry? Page 134	25	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Is everyone happy? Page 136

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1	MR TROWER: Yes.
2	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: All right.
3	MR TROWER: My Lord, I think that that is probably it. Can
4	I just check with those behind me that I haven't missed
5	anything. (Pause) My Lord, yes. I think we got there.
6	MR JUSTICE DAVID RICHARDS: Good. Thank you all very much
7	There's nothing else anyone else wants to raise? Well
8	thank you all very much indeed.
9	(3.32 pm)
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