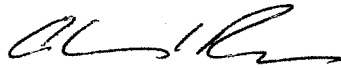


TAB C

*This is Exhibit "C"
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Brian M. Denega
sworn before me this 13th
day of October, 2006*



A Commissioner for Taking Affidavits

WORKING CAPITAL PROCEEDINGS

IVACO AND HEICO

--- This is the interview of Hugh Blakely, conducted at the offices of Cassels Brock & Blackwell, Scotia Plaza, 40 King Street West, Suite 2100, Toronto, Ontario, on Friday, the 21st day of July, 2006.

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Robert B. Martin	Price Waterhouse
E. Bruce Leonard	Cassels Brock & Blackwell
Brian M. Denega	Ernst & Young
Peter F.C. Howard	Stikeman Elliott

1 in terms of the enterprise. That the constituents, the
2 customers, the suppliers would think that was good
3 news?

4 A Correct.

5 173 Q And am I correct, sir, then, that
6 the division prepared this estimate or this material
7 with the information from, amongst others,
8 Mr. Silverman and Mr. Mott as to the terms that they
9 were getting and had been getting over the months?

10 A They would have been prepared
11 consistent with what they had been getting, correct.

12 174 Q All right. And if the terms on --
13 for AP, that is, accounts payable, increased, that's a
14 good thing in terms of the discipline and managing the
15 enterprise, right?

16 A Great.

17 175 Q Can I ask to you keep exhibit 7 in
18 front of you. You can put exhibit 6 away. And I'm
19 going to ask you some questions about Ifastgroupe now
20 and what Heico has characterized as top level
21 adjustments. And I'm going to ask you, first, sir,
22 about adjustments to accounts payable at Ifastgroupe?

23 A Correct.

24 176 Q Am I correct, sir, that for a few
25 months prior to this time in July of '04, you had been

1 getting the estimates or the input from Ifast
2 management about what they were predicting the accounts
3 payable to be?

4 A We had requested that they provide
5 their forecasts, correct.

6 177 Q I'm going to show you, sir, and
7 provide to you copies of the extracts of the documents
8 that relate to this. I want to walk you through some
9 of them. And am I correct, sir, that you at head
10 office, you and Mr. Benson, were pushing them to get
11 terms on AP, correct?

12 A Pushing all of our suppliers,
13 whether it be Ifast, Sivaco, IRM.

14 178 Q You said suppliers. You were
15 pushing the businesses to go get the terms?

16 A To get -- correct, stretch payables.

17 179 Q All right. And you wanted them, as
18 part of that discipline, to do better on getting
19 payables, right?

20 A Correct.

21 180 Q And I'm showing to you -- the first
22 page of this document is the extract from the monthly
23 management -- from Ifastgroupe with respect to
24 liabilities. You can see that they've got the actual
25 for May and the forecast for June?

1 A Correct.

2 181 Q And you see, sir, that the actual
3 payables that they've been getting for the previous few
4 months are in the order of, for March, 10.5, April 7.9
5 and May 7.5?

6 A I see that, correct.

7 182 Q Okay. And what the -- the division
8 or the business was coming in and saying our forecast
9 for payables for the month is going to be 2.9?

10 A Correct.

11 183 Q And they were predicting out for
12 each of the other months 1.6, 3.1 and 2.9?

13 A Correct.

14 184 Q So that's what they were saying
15 in -- when you reviewed the May actuals, June forecast,
16 right?

17 A Correct.

18 185 Q Look at the second page. By then
19 they had the -- you had the June actuals and you see
20 that the June actuals came in at 6.7 in relation to a
21 forecast of 2.9?

22 A Correct.

23 186 Q And they were by that point still
24 predicting -- still trying to keep the numbers low in
25 the payables?

1 A I see that.

2 187 Q And am I correct, sir, that by the
3 time June and July came around the actuals for those
4 numbers for payables for Ifast had been considerably
5 higher than those originally projected by Ifast?

6 A Correct.

7 188 Q All right. And so if you go back to
8 exhibit 7 and go to the Ifast document.

9 A Correct.

10 189 Q What you were doing was taking a
11 submitted forecast of \$3.4-million, which was lower
12 than the actuals that you had been experiencing, and
13 adjusting it to accord with what had been happening and
14 they're missing the previous forecasts, right?

15 A Could you restate the question?

16 190 Q Sure. When they came up with this
17 forecast, the division, they still didn't get it. They
18 gave you a forecast in exhibit 7 of 3.4?

19 A Correct.

20 191 Q And they had missed their previous
21 ones, correct?

22 A Correct.

23 192 Q What you and Mr. Benson did was say,
24 guys, we want you to manage this business better and we
25 want you to accord with reality and our judgment is

1 you're going to get these terms, and so you added five
2 million bucks, right?

3 A I remember the conversation and we
4 said to -- the conversation, do better. Why are you
5 projecting so low, because they felt they were not able
6 to get the terms.

7 193 Q Yes.

8 A That was their belief.

9 194 Q All right. And they had got the
10 terms, and they did get the terms, right?

11 A The numbers prove it out at the end,
12 correct.

13 195 Q But my question to you, sir, is you
14 had a history from them of under-egging the souffle, if
15 you will, underestimating the accounts payable that
16 they could get?

17 A Fair enough.

18 196 Q You agree with me?

19 A The numbers show it.

20 197 Q Could we mark, then, as exhibit 8
21 the draft of this document that I've given you?

22 EXHIBIT NO. 8: Extract of monthly
23 management document.

24 BY MR. HOWARD:

25 198 Q Am I correct, sir, that in terms of

1 the 8.4 that is projected for accounts payable for
2 September 30, what actually occurred was in the order
3 of 8.9?

4 A I don't have it handy, but...

5 199 Q You recall it being in that range?

6 A I don't have it -- I don't have it
7 here. If I had an actual here I would use it.

8 200 Q The actuals are what the actuals
9 are. They're not going to -- those numbers aren't
10 going to change.

11 A Exactly.

12 201 Q So, sir, that's one of the
13 \$5-million adjustments. I want to take you to -- stay
14 with Ifastgroupe. I want to just talk to you in
15 concept first. There's a \$3-million adjustment that's
16 been queried with respect to the amount of finished
17 goods. Am I correct, sir, that the amount that came up
18 in Ifast for finished goods -- excuse me for one
19 second.

20 --- Off-the-record discussion.

21 BY MR. HOWARD:

22 202 Q Exhibit 7, still Ifastgroupe. The
23 number that had come up for finished goods was
24 \$51.2-million, you see that?

25 A Um-hum.

1 203 Q And the adjustment of \$3-million is
2 made at that point, 48.274 million dollars, you see
3 that?

4 A Yes.

5 204 Q One of the things you've been doing
6 over the months was you and Mr. Benson had been pushing
7 Ifast to run the inventory leaner, correct?

8 A Correct.

9 205 Q And one of the ways to do that would
10 be to have less finished goods and increased sales?

11 A Correct.

12 206 Q Am I correct, sir, that as part of
13 this, management increased -- management at Ifast
14 projected an increase in sales in the approximate
15 amount of \$3-million. Do you remember that?

16 A I can't recall that.

17 207 Q I'm going to show you --

18 A At what juncture was that?

19 208 Q I'm going to show it to you, sir.
20 It's in your material. In particular, sir, these are
21 extracts from the monthly reports. There are two
22 separate ones for the Ifast income statement. You see
23 that?

24 A Yes.

25 209 Q And that -- as at May actuals, June

1 forecast, they were projecting sales for September in
2 the amount of \$28.7-million and sales for the quarter
3 of \$79.8-million?

4 A Correct.

5 210 Q And by the time you get to the June
6 actuals, July forecast, they're projecting 31.3 million
7 for September and 83.4 for the quarter?

8 A All right.

9 211 Q You saw that?

10 A I see that.

11 212 Q Exhibit -- these are part of the
12 documents that you would be getting at --

13 A Correct.

14 213 Q Exhibit 9.

15 EXHIBIT NO. 9: Extracts from the
16 monthly reports.

17 BY MR. HOWARD:

18 214 Q And am I correct, sir, that if you
19 run leaner and keep your inventory lower and increase
20 sales, then that's a good thing for the business?

21 A Correct.

22 215 Q Am I correct, sir, that with respect
23 to the projection of \$48-million for finished goods and
24 inventory, the adjusted one, that I fastgroupe actually
25 did a lot better than that and had in the order of

1 \$41-million in finished goods for actual September 30?

2 A I can't remember. The numbers --

3 216 Q The numbers are what they are?

4 A Right.

5 217 Q I'm going to -- Mr. Benson said when

6 he discussed these with you on each occasion or -- you

7 and he would talk, he'd say, "Are you okay with this,

8 Hugh;" do you agree with that?

9 A There was one meeting in which we
10 discussed these numbers. He was my boss and if I had
11 felt that they weren't correct why would I have
12 presented them to him the way they were?

13 218 Q Sorry, I'm not the asking any
14 questions. You've had a chance to make your affidavit.
15 I'm saying to you, Mr. Benson says when he had those
16 discussions with you on each time he'd say, "Are you
17 okay with that, Hugh," and you'd say, "Yes". Do you
18 dispute that?

19 A I don't dispute that.

20 219 Q And I suggest to you, sir, that you
21 had similar kinds of discussions in the presence of
22 Linda as well with Mr. Benson. If she says she heard
23 you say that, you wouldn't dispute that either,
24 correct?

25 A Correct.