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- 1 MS. GOLINVEAUX: Object to the form of the
- 2 question.
- 3 BY MR. SPERLEIN:
- 4 Q. Could you answer the question, please?
- 5 A. He manages several engineers.
- 6 Q. Okay. The developers that you mentioned, this
- 7 is -- is that the entire development team -- well, let me
- 8 strike that.
- 9 Could you describe what a developer does?
- 10 A. He writes software.
- 11 Q. Okay. So the three people that you mentioned
- 12 before write software for Veoh?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- Q. And do they report directly to you?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Veoh. And how long have you been working for
- 17 Veoh?
- 18 A. Since before it was a company so, you know, from
- 19 the first phase.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. I don't remember the exact date.
- Q. Do you remember what year or month?
- 23 A. It would be 2005, but I don't recall exactly
- 24 which month.
- 25 Q. But you were there from the beginning, before the

- 1 beginning?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Did you know Dimitry Shapiro prior to coming
- 4 together for this project?
- 5 MS. GOLINVEAUX: Object to the form of the
- 6 question.
- 7 BY MR. SPERLEIN:
- 8 Q. You can answer.
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Did Mr. Shapiro contact you and ask you if you
- 11 would work with him on this project?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Are you familiar with Veoh's policies regarding
- 14 copyrighted material?
- 15 A. Some of the policies.
- Q. And are you familiar with Veoh's policies
- 17 concerning sexually explicit material?
- 18 A. Some of the policies.
- 19 Q. Will you describe briefly in your own words what
- 20 Veoh Network does, what its mission statement is?
- 21 MS. GOLINVEAUX: Object to the form of the
- 22 question; it's compound.
- 23 BY MR. SPERLEIN:
- Q. You can go ahead and answer.
- 25 A. The mission statement?

- 1 Q. Yes, sir.
- 2 A. Our goal is to allow people to publish video on
- 3 the internet.
- 4 Q. And how do you accomplish that? How does Veoh
- 5 accomplish that goal?
- A. We write software that helps them download videos
- 7 that other people have published and software that manages
- 8 that video so that it can be presented in an efficient
- 9 fashion.
- 10 Q. Okay. And specifically, how does that operate?
- 11 Do you -- does Veoh operate a web site?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And what is your URL for that web site?
- 14 A. The primary group domain for that is
- www.veoh.com.
- 16 Q. And Veoh uses computers in the -- in its efforts
- to allow people to publish videos; is that correct?
- 18 A. Yes, we use computers.
- 19 Q. Okay. Are there -- can your computer systems be
- 20 divided into several different systems?
- 21 Do you want me to clarify a little bit what
- 22 I'm --
- 23 A. I would love you to.
- Q. Okay. Veoh.com is a web site, and presumably is
- 25 run from some sort of server; is that correct?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. Do you have a separate network at Veoh that you
- 3 use for -- within the office for the exchange of e-mails or
- 4 accounting systems, things like that?
- 5 MS. GOLINVEAUX: Object to the form of the
- 6 question.
- 7 THE WITNESS: There are many sub networks as is
- 8 typical in any network environment.
- 9 BY MR. SPERLEIN:
- 10 Q. Would you tell me what you would consider the
- 11 primary three or four networks?
- 12 A. Primary, in what sense?
- 13 Q. Primary as in the most important to the company.
- 14 A. The most important would of course be the
- 15 external internet. Secondary would be the internal networks
- 16 at the co-location facilities. That would definitely be the
- 17 top three or four.
- Q. Will you explain briefly what a co-location
- 19 facility is?
- 20 MS. GOLINVEAUX: I'm sorry. Could you repeat the
- 21 question?
- 22 BY MR. SPERLEIN:
- 23 Q. Will you explain briefly what a co-location
- 24 facility is?
- 25 A. It is a computer facility maintained by a company

- 1 which rents out space and access to networking.
- 2 Q. And in that situation, does -- they just provide
- 3 the computer space, but does Veoh control how that -- how
- 4 those computer systems are programmed?
- 5 MS. GOLINVEAUX: Object to the form of the
- 6 question.
- 7 THE WITNESS: A co-location facility provides
- 8 space, and whoever rents the space controls whatever
- 9 computers that they place in the space.
- 10 BY MR. SPERLEIN:
- 11 Q. Okay. I want to go through now what happens when
- someone wants to publish a video on the Veoh system.
- 13 What is the first step that if I were an
- 14 individual and I had a video file that I wanted to publish,
- 15 what would I have to do to publish it through the Veoh
- 16 system?
- 17 A. There are two primary mechanisms. One is you can
- 18 upload smaller videos using a browser. Larger videos require
- 19 the use of software that we have written in order to manage
- 20 the upload in the event of network errors and similar
- 21 corruptions.
- 22 Q. Starting with the first type that you mentioned,
- 23 smaller videos, is there a size limitation on that?
- 24 A. I don't know if there are precise size
- 25 limitations on that.

- 1 Q. If I went to the web site -- let me back up just
- 2 a moment.
- 3 If I wanted to upload a smaller video file, would
- I have to go to the Veoh.com web site?
- 5 A. If you would like to upload a small video file,
- 6 you can go to the Veoh web site.
- 7 Q. And what would other possibilities be for
- 8 uploading a small video file?
- 9 A. If you already have our software, you can use our
- 10 software.
- 11 Q. If I were using the web site would I first have
- 12 to register with Veoh.com?
- MS. GOLINVEAUX: Object to the form of the
- 14 question.
- 15 THE WITNESS: I believe there's some registration
- 16 requirements. I'm not sure of the details.
- 17 BY MR. SPERLEIN:
- Q. Do you know any of the procedure at all?
- 19 A. I have not uploaded a video in many months.
- 20 Q. Would the process of registration be something
- 21 that would be programmed by someone in your department?
- 22 A. Any registration process would be programmed by
- 23 somebody.
- Q. Would it be someone from your developing --
- development team?

- 1 Media digital rights management has ever been hacked or -- if
- 2 I use that terminology, will you understand what I'm asking?
- 3 Has anyone ever been able to break that system and copy
- 4 videos that were protected with it to your knowledge?
- 5 A. I know that at least one version of Windows Media
- 6 audio has been hacked. I don't know if other versions have
- 5 been hacked, and I don't know if video has been hacked.
- 8 Generally, I know it's a fairly secure system.
- 9 Q. If a publisher elects to have his video
- 10 protected, then Veoh attaches the Windows DRM protection; is
- 11 that correct?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And when that occurs, then, if other users
- 14 download that video to their system, they, in theory, are not
- able to make a copy of that video file; is that correct?
- No, it's not. Let me rephrase the question.
- 17 There are limitations on how and when a video
- 18 file would be copied; is that correct?
- 19 A. No. It's generally incorrect as well. Copying
- 20 itself is not constrained. It's usually playing, which is
- 21 constrained.
- Q. A little bit later we're going to get in to some
- 23 questions about how Veoh has handled video files that contain
- 24 sexually explicit material, but for right now I just want to
- ask you a couple of questions relating to that.

- 1 Was there a time when Veoh allowed publishers to
- 2 submit and publish video files that contain sexually explicit
- 3 material?
- 4 A. There was a time.
- 5 Q. And was there a time when Veoh ceased permitting
- 6 sexually explicit videos on its system?
- 7 A. There was also a time that we ceased to.
- Q. At that time when Veoh elected to prohibit adult
- 9 videos or sexually explicit videos from being on the Veoh
- 10 system, did Veoh use the function that we're talking about,
- 11 whereby they could go to a user's computer and have a video
- 12 file deleted and thereby erase existing adult video files
- from users who had already downloaded it?
- 14 A. I think so, because I think we got some
- 15 complaints about that happening, so I didn't -- I didn't
- 16 perform that take down, but I think I saw complaints about it
- 17 happening.
- 18 Q. Would you know how Veoh would have identified the
- 19 adult material that they wanted to remove from the system?
- 20 A. There's a database flag which indicates,
- 21 presumably indicates, whether or not something is explicit.
- 22 Q. When you say a database tag, this is different
- 23 from --
- A. Flag.
- Q. Flag. Okay.

- 1 an intermediate and a sexually explicit?
- 2 A. The number of active levels has varied. It's an
- 3 integer, so there's a very large number of potential levels.
- 4 Currently there are two levels and neither of them is
- 5 explicit, because we do not allow explicit material.
- 6 Q. Okay. So currently when a producer is going
- 7 through the data entry process, you said there are two levels
- 8 that they are allowed to choose from; is that correct?
- 9 A. I believe so.
- 10 Q. Do you know what those are?
- 11 A. I think that they are suitable for all audiences,
- 12 or contains -- and I don't know what the language is, but
- 13 some material that would not be suitable for all audiences.
- Q. Contains nudity or --
- 15 A. I don't know what the details are, but there are
- 16 presumably non-sexually explicit things that are not
- 17 appropriate for all audiences. I don't know how to say that
- 18 well. It's a difficult thing to say.
- 19 Q. That's okay. I think we got the idea.
- 20 If a user currently selects the second one that
- 21 you described, it may have material that's not suitable for
- 22 all ages, does Veoh then review the video clip to make sure
- 23 there's no explicit, sexually explicit material on it?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Does Veoh or somebody else, do they engage some

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2	of California do hereby state under penalty of perjury:
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7	nothing but the truth in the foregoing cause; that the
8	deposition was taken by me in machine shorthand and that the
9	foregoing contains a true record of the testimony of the
10	witness.
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