
From: Ron Warmington [GRO]
Sent: Fri 28/06/2013 5:52:11 PM (UTC)
To: Simon Baker [GRO]
Cc: Lesley J Sewell [GRO]; Alwen Lyons [GRO];
Ian Henderson [GRO]
Subject: RE: Bug disclosure

Yep... found that one:

1.1.1 Section 2.4.1 of the report: The Calendar Square, Falkirk Problem

I accept that there was an issue with the Post Office in Calendar Square Falkirk as described in the email reproduced in Appendix C of the report and covered by a previous Witness statement I made on 8th February 2010. As I stated in the email, the problem was fixed in March 2006 and so is not relevant to the period of data that I have examined in this branch. Also, when the problem manifested itself it was clear from the various logs that there was a problem in the system. There is no evidence of such problems from the various logs that have been examined for this branch. Therefore I see no relevance for this problem to the period of data that is being looked at for this case. In particular, Professor McLachlan says "It demonstrates that there have been faults with the Horizon system which give rise to discrepancies that can cause losses. It is not reasonable to exclude the possibility of system problems when considering a case such as Misra. ". I would dispute that. It was clear from the Events generated at the time in Calendar Square that there was a problem. No such events have been seen in West Byfleet in the period in question and so this cannot be responsible for the losses in that period.

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The one I was referring to was the falkirk issue that gareth mentions on page 18 of Misra (as a response to a question on it). I will ask if there are any other examples.

From: Ron Warmington [GRO]
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Simon: You mentioned in this afternoon's call that the Courts have in the past been informed, for example in Gareth Jenkins' Witness Statements, about past

bugs in Horizon. I need to mention that in the report. Am right now searching through the material to find as many of those as I can. If I say: "POL has in the past disclosed, in Witness Statements to English Courts, the discovery of since-corrected defects ('bugs') in the Horizon code." I'll need two or more, else I'll have to say "a bug"... I might use the word 'defect' as discussed. Have just searched all our e-docs for the word "bug" and not coming up with much (including in Gareth's 8th Oct 2010, Witness Statement for the Seema Misra Trial. Can you find any?

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