Ethics Bowl Summary April 11, 2010

Two teams:

- Team 1 consisting of Taka, Remi, Yani, Brandon, and Dash
- Team 2 consisting of Asfandyar, Samantha, Tillman, Gokul, and Ben

There were two cases

- The Case of the Big Box Retailer
- Catalyst A or Catalyst B

Case of the Big Box Retailer

Team 1 went first with their case concerning the big retailer coming into a small town.

The Team 1 thought that it was best that the town consider the retailer coming into their town. They discussed different aspects to why they should come into town. Some of the reasons are as follows:

- they would have gone over to the next town anyways
- this retailer would bring in extra revenue to the town
- the retailer would bring in more jobs and new people to come visit
- the initial fixed cost is large, but in the long run it would break even

After team 1's initial answering of the question, they answered by agreeing with our thoughts. They also added on the safety issue and there being more traffic and problems for the small town.

Catalyst A or Catalyst B

Team 2 got this case. They gave their thoughts and concerns about this case. They also discussed various aspects regarding the question of putting information on catalyst B in the report. The points are as follows:

- they advised that she should talk to her boss about catalyst B
- just leave out the information concerning catalyst B

After team 2's answer, team 1 agreed with their answers. She should leave out the information regarding catalyst B since it may be misleading and could lead to trouble for the team and her in the near future. If she wishes to continue with catalyst B, she should consider asking for more funding or split from the current project and create her own business.