

sites are suitable, we've got to start our studies over? Will US Ecology have the nerve to do that? Will the Department of Environmental Control have the nerve to do that? The Department of Environmental Control, the head of the department is appointed by the Governor. One of the Governor's main concerns in this whole process is that we will not meet federal guidelines, we will not meet these guidelines. I say our main concern should be to build this facility right and to give these people some say in what is happening. Senator Schmit said this morning that if you don't learn from history, you're making a mistake and I agree wholeheartedly. Let's take a look at the history. History has proven time and time again that where profit is involved, shortcuts and deception will occur. I could go on and on with a list. United States defense contractors, Beechnut Corporation, to make an extra profit, Beechnut Corporation lied to young mothers and served their babies, newborn babies, watered-down applesauce so they could make another dollar. The U.S. military has knowingly violated federal pollution laws that will now cost us a minimum of \$130 billion to clean up if we start tomorrow, \$130 billion. The present savings and loan fiasco, Commonwealth, the pharmacy building at UN-O, Valdez, Alaska, Ale-aska (phonetic) and Exxon, Exxon said don't worry, everything will be done correctly. We've heard this over and over on this project, don't worry, nothing can possibly happen. In Alaska they said if something does happen we will simply clean up the mess and you don't have to worry about it. Well, the Alaska Legislature swallowed that hook, line and sinker and they okayed the plan and now you all know what is happening with that plan. I maintain these people, these local people must have a big say to keep the credibility going in this process. These local monitoring committees must have broad power and oversight of this process. Since the selection of these three final sites was based on very broad studies, an example would be the surprise study that we just found about last weekend. Because of six core samplings revealed that were taken in Nuckolls County, it all of a sudden revealed Nuckolls County as a new hot property in these final three sites, the site that was not previously listed. Since the price and availability of the land was actually the final criteria, a lot of you don't realize that or don't hear that but the price and availability was the final criteria. And since the chance of this facility being built in the most environmentally safe location in the state was blown out of the water long ago, I think we definitely need to give these people some consideration. For all of these reasons, I believe that