

couple of questions that I would like to have you...I hope will be included in the study and more explanation given than what we find here. On pages 16 and 17, starting on line 13, part (a) where it talks about the distribution, "Fifty percent of such money shall be distributed to incorporated municipalities which lie totally or partially within ten kilometers of the facility or the proposed facility based on the ratio of the population of the particular incorporated municipality to the total population of all such incorporated municipalities as determined by the latest federal census." Could this formula, there was a concern expressed to me, let's say that you were in an area and where the low-level waste facility was proposed to be located, and it was lying right outside of a community, and this was a small community, say, a hundred population, as opposed to a community which was still within the range of the kilometers that are designated here, and yet they were at the distance almost to the outer edge of that area, could there be something built in to make it fair. I realize this is sort of a per capita distribution, isn't it? Could there be something built in that would give more weight to those that are located nearest, who would receive the most problem, if there were some of...if some damage would occur?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Senator Smith, you have very adeptly pinpointed the very reason why that we need to address this again in a study because of the very fact you just mention, that when that site is actually pinpointed and selected, then, of course, it becomes very, very important that we achieve equity. So the issue you have raised is one of the reasons why we ought to study it and is also the reason why the Natural Resources Committee ought to study it because it has the broader implication of how it affects the entire aspect of low-level waste.

SENATOR SMITH: I think I agree with you very much on that. And then something else, Senator Schmit, maybe you could answer this one, too. I was just picking up on this, incorporated municipalities. We do have some unincorporated municipalities in Nebraska. We aren't positive that the site selection will be in one of the three counties that have been indicated to date. It is probably pretty sure that it would be, but if it should happen that there were a change and you were near or in the area of an unincorporated community, are you saying that there would not be, or are we saying, I guess I should say, in our bill that the people that would reside in that little area would not be