developer, the Central Low-Level Waste Commission, the State of Nebraska, or people of that type because that committee is to monitor the siting and to monitor the rule...that the rules and regulations are being followed, and to make recommendations for the DEC and the state to follow through with these legal actions.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Langford, would you care to discuss the amendment?

SENATOR LANGFORD: I call the question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Langford poses the previous question. Do I see five hands? I do. Shall debate cease? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Debate ceases. Senator Dierks, would you care to close on your amendment?

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes, I would. Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I would like to...I would like to just remind you of what we are trying to do. I think what we are trying to do is to provide people with their democratic right. I don't believe it is any more simple than that. I have been sitting here this afternoon listening to the debate and trying to figure out why we haven't had more support than we have had. I understand that the power companies are objecting to this, and I don't understand why because nothing about this amendment does anything to harm power companies. This amendment doesn't keep people from siting this project. The power companies are going to have the place to store their waste. There is nothing that I can see about this amendment that should bring about a no vote. I just do not understand because what we are asking is a simple, simple request that people be allowed input in the process, that people will be allowed to say whether they want to do it or whether they don't, and the amendment does say that if they, all five counties, turn it down, there still is an opportunity for US Ecology to select the site and for the Director of the Department of Economic...or Environmental Control to license the