

Governor shall have the right to review and pass and sign on or veto. That is very clear, has been for a long time. The other states, as far as they are concerned, they also have known this has been in existence. They read our laws on the compact just as we understand their feelings on some of the issues of the compact. So they have a very clear commitment from us. When you have a complete license application ready to go, we will review it, we will okay it, then we will take title to the land. There is absolutely no reason to do this ahead of time. Again, I refer to the Attorney General's Opinion that said we might not legally be able to do this because we are allowing to the Department of Environmental Control to act on yet unregulated...the unwritten rules and regs of the NRC. They are not written and there is absolutely no reason that we want to get ourselves into this game before we know what those rules and regs said. I will remind you of some of the things I brought up yesterday. During discussions last year, what would happen on withdrawal, although withdrawal is not in question here this year. Nobody has mentioned it that I have heard of. One of the options was withdrawal from the compact would not preclude the Central States Compact from submitting the license application on the Butte site as currently planned. In other words, if we withdraw or they vote four to one to throw us out because we'd done something they don't like, and we already have the land ready to be licensed, they can store waste in the facility and deny us access and make us build a facility in another state. Do you want to sign onto that right now? Are you comfortable enough with your knowledge of this process that you are ready to sign onto that right now? I hope not, because I have been studying it for three years, and I am sure as heck not comfortable enough. There is absolutely no need, no reason. In the compact rules, it states any party state withdrawing or having been found in violation of the terms of the compact and having its membership revoked, in other words, they vote, we do something they don't like, and they vote to throw us out, it says, if the withdrawing state or the state that is thrown out at the time of withdrawal is the host for a regional facility, such state shall continue to make the facility available to the region's waste generators until such time that a new regional facility is developed and operational. Under such withdrawal circumstances,...

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PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.