

onto, and the only things we can do are those things allowed within the terms of that contract. Now the people, the board, if you will, of that contract is the Compact Commissioner's representatives of the state. They have asked for community...they agreed to community consent. They are seeking a definition within the compact, consistent with the compact. We can give them a definition here today and then see what they say. And as far as the chaos that Senator Beutler has discussed and others have brought up that word, where does that come in? Where does the chaos appear? On-site storage is not illegal as we speak. Now I have said that before. I will say it again. Ask the NRC if on-site storage is illegal past five years, if that is the case, why are they now addressing changing it to make it illegal? Why are they now addressing it? Right now, as we are debating this bill, the NRC is in discussions on that very issue. It is not illegal now. It is not in writing. It is on a memorandum between staff members of the NRC but it is not illegal. It is not illegal. If they tell you that again, tell them to show you where it is at. That is all I ask. Just ask for it in writing. Don't trust them because you know who are...who the sides are now. The people in the lobby are the out-of-state power companies. That is who it is on that side of the glass, and on the other side of the glass, the people who lobby are the people in Nebraska. Pure and simple. Now if the outstate power companies come to you and tell you that the NRC won't let us store on site over five years, you tell them to show you where it is written. And I mean it. Don't just...don't take their word for it. Show it to them. I have had things in writing over here for four years and no one would listen and no one would look at them. They have all proven to be true. At least we have got things on paper now, and I appreciate that because now we can pick up the paper and refute everything they say because none of the things on this paper...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: ...are correct either. None of the things are correct. They can store on-site. There is a viable alternative. They are doing it in Canada. They are doing it all over the place. They don't want to store on-site, and they use that weak, lame excuse that, geez, we are in a flood plain. Well, no kidding, what about the nuclear reactor? What about the nuclear reactor? Is that not in a flood plain? What are we going to do when we close a facility? Are we going to break it up and haul it away or are we going to entomb it? If we entomb