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have it done before January 1, 1999, otherwise I couldn't do it?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, no, you could still do it, but you'd be under the other operative provisions of the bill. The situation I was trying to get to, Senator, was this one, what if you were in the process of expanding right now,...

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Um-huh.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...and your application was complete by Christmas, December 25th of '98, but you hadn't started construction or hadn't done anything, but you had gotten your application complete. DEQ hasn't acted on it, they're investigating this or that and the process is dragging out a little while. But your application is complete. To me, if that application is for an expansion, it ought to be treated the same as an application for a new facility. And if it's complete by January 1, 1999 for a new facility, and that qualifies it as existing, for purposes of the latter sections of the bill, then an expansion that's completed by that time also...should also be protected by the designation of existing for purposes of the latter sections of the bill. Which means, Senator, frankly, that if that initial January 1, 1999 expansion is included in the base, so to speak, then what can be built upon...it enhances what can be built upon by that facility later under the later expansion provisions of the bill.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: So,...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Do you see what I mean?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: ...this...so this, basically, then would not prevent an existing facility from expanding after January 1, 1999?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Oh, absolutely not. It has nothing to do with those...with those sections.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Okay, thank you.

SENATOR BEUTLER: And again, Senator, if this is interpreted in any way as being contrary to the livestock interests, I will