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and so forth. I simply look at it in the big picture; the big picture says we're getting waste, we're having generated waste, it's not going to stop. We may be more efficient, but it is going to continue. So is our long-term responsibility being met to these citizens...the citizens of our state by withdrawing, first of all, and then we have the secondary issue, or perhaps the primary issue of what is it going to cost this state? Minimum of \$91 million perhaps. If we lose this lawsuit, there's so many questions I have on lawsuits that only attorneys, I hope, would respond to that. But I do think that we have to debate this if it takes all day today or all morning, or if it takes until next week. I think we all ought to go home from here, come June, knowing exactly where we think Nebraska is headed and what its responsibilities are.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Perhaps some of these are going to have to be answered in federal court. I'm not knowledgeable of whether this is an issue in federal court versus the state court and the good faith. Perhaps we're going to have to wait. But I do think before we just comfortably withdraw from this that we ought to understand where are our long-term responsibilities? Are we going to let somebody else pick it up some day and fight these issues out? And I will speak again later on, I think, on location, on siting, because perhaps we mishandled the siting question, too. I have never felt comfortable knowing whether we did or didn't. And I assume that many citizens have the same questions I do.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Hilgert.

SENATOR HILGERT: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I'm going to briefly go back to what Senator Matzke had given us to consider on the amendment and not speak so much globally about the contract and the history, nor the monitoring stations that were under water at the time. And just to make a few observations, when Senator Matzke was listing his ten comments that he penned out and concerns, incidentally, Senator Matzke, you offered to make that copy available. But I was concerned about number seven and number eight. And he mentioned things