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technology to other societal concerns, and I don't think that you can ignore that, and I think that's one of the reasons why making it appear economic standard is not totally the right answer either. For example, we know that people living in the neighborhood of these operations are, indeed, offended by the odors. Odor is a problem. So, depending on how many people are involved in a particular situation and how close they live and what the odor problems are, you may or may not want that particular operation to go the extra step of adopting a technology that maybe, generally speaking, is not one you would want to require as being economically within the ball park. But if there are factors that compel an individual to locate such a facility in the vicinity of such an environment, then maybe the economics of it is not the only question you would want to consider, but maybe the feelings of citizens in the area. Or if you wanted to change that into an economic question, maybe you talk about the home values of those...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...people who have residences in the vicinity of a particular proposed livestock operation. I think it ends up being a very complex question. But rather than leave this language the way it is, I would think as a minimum we would want to indicate that the "economically achievable" we're talking about is by the industry as a whole and not that of an individual operator. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Chambers. This will be your third time, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. I think Senator Beutler has really added clarity to what I was trying to say. In addition to what he stated about the industry being able to afford it as opposed to the individual, he touched on considerations and concerns other than the purely economic considerations, and I think that is very important because this bill is looking at quality of life, health and welfare of the public. So if we are talking about odor abatement and the current technology might reduce 30 percent of the odor from the environment, but there's a new technology that reduces 80