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nothing has been done. But we've invested in infrastructure, we've invested in other opportunities and procedures and practices, and I don't think that we should give up on those or on other options. And tire burning is still in the mix. It could still be done. We did it at one of our power generators. They found that so much sludge built up in the inside of their stack that I'm told they had to use small amounts of dynamite to break it loose. So they stopped doing it. Currently, nobody is burning tires. There are problems with burning tires. My two concerns are that the state should not subsidize, with these grant monies, burning tires. That's the issue. We're not talking do you burn, do you not burn. The issue is, do we subsidize the burning of tires? And if we're going to, then should the "emittant" from those tires be at least held to the same level of emissions of coal? I'm not even saying lower, but they should not exceed the level of emissions of coal. With that, I understand that Senator Schrock is willing to withdraw AM2299 if I withdraw FA443. Senator Schrock said he would do that. Senator Schrock is an honorable man. I trust him. I believe he's a man of his word. I have experienced that in the past and I trust that it's the case now. With that as a given, Mr. Clerk, I would withdraw FA443.

SENATOR CUDABACK: FA443 is withdrawn. Senator Schrock, you're recognized.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Senator...Mr. President, Senator Preister, I'll withdraw my amendment, but you have two amendments. Are you withdrawing both of them?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Preister.

SENATOR PREISTER: Mr. Clerk, I would withdraw all of my pending amendments that are amended to AM2299.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Preister. They are withdrawn. Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes, I will draw my amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: AM2299 is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, items?