Thank you.

THE FACILITATOR: Thank you.

And, Mr. Henneberry, you understand that, although your comments are made in a private setting, they will be part of the public record?

MR. DAVID HENNEBERRY: Yes, sir.

THE FACILITATOR: Thank you.

MR. DAVID HENNEBERRY: Thank you.

THE FACILITATOR: We will be off the record.

(A recess was taken.)

THE FACILITATOR: We're back on the record, people.

I will ask that if anyone in the audience has -- who would like to comment orally this evening formally on the record and who has not commented yet would like to do so.

We've given you an opportunity to register at the front desk, and I will report, for the record, that no one has so registered.

If there is anyone who has not commented and would like to do so, this is your final opportunity to do that this evening at the Jackson Hole hearing.
MR. GEORGE WOOD: Thank you very much.
My name is George Wood. I live at
1680 North Mink Creek Road, Pocatello, Idaho,
83204. I'm representing Coalition 21.
I would like to know a little bit about
who I'm speaking to. So, I'd like a show of
hands.
How many of you here actually work for
the State, the EPA and INEEL? May I have a show
of hands?
And those who are of just the public,
who are not?
Well, I'm talking to the right people
then. I didn't want to address my remarks so
much to the public as I did to the people who are
working for us.

There are several things I think are
extremely necessary for an environmental impact
statement to be effective. Number One, of course
you want to know what the impact is going to be
from a point of how much radiation, how much of
this hazardous material is going to go into our
environment.
But, on the other hand, that doesn't
mean a thing unless you know what the effect of
that radiation or that hazardous material is on
the environment or on the people or the animals
that are involved. And so we must consider what
damage is it doing.
What damage is it doing?
How many people have been injured?
How many people -- how much property has
been damaged by the radioactive nature and by the
other hazardous materials, the nonradioactive
materials, at INEEL?
That is certainly something that needs
to be considered.
How much of a change in the environment
does that make?

In other words, if we have a huge impact
on the environment or the amount of radiation
added to the state of Idaho by the activities at
INEEL, that is one thing. But if those
activities and those additions at INEEL are
trivial compared to the natural background and
the natural amount of radiation that we have in
the state, perhaps we need to back off and look
at the basic necessity of this whole procedure.
So, the Environmental Impact Statement
should contain some of that information.
instance, the 600,000 gallons of liquid waste should be compared to the amount of water in the aquifer.

So, how much would that change the aquifer or the water in the aquifer? If it were all mixed directly into the aquifer, how much change would occur? How much radioactivity would be added to the aquifer, if any? And what percentage of change would that be?

What difference would it make, as far as the soil is concerned, the people, the animals, the crops, if we did have this sort of thing?

The question came up awhile ago about how many cancer deaths, additional cancer deaths, are we talking about. And I -- I think the answer he gave was 9 per 10,000 people. And I believe, in just the natural scheme of things, about 2,100 or so out of 10,000 people get cancer anyhow. So, we're talking about 2,109 or maybe 2,091 cancers per 10,000 people in this state. And that is a very, very iffy question.

So, what I would like to see added to the Environmental Impact Statement is the actual

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made your remarks, sir?

MR. GEORGE WOOD: No.

MR. THOMAS WICHHAMN: Thank you.

THE FACILITATOR: Thank you for your comments, Mr. Wood.

I would like to remind you that you could file written comments -- submit written comments through a variety of ways. And all comments are reviewed and considered and analysed by the Department of Energy and the State of Idaho in preparing the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

So, is anyone else in the room who has not had an opportunity that would like to comment formally this evening?

We’ll let the record reflect that no one has so indicated.

We will stand at ease, subject to call of the hearing officer in the event that others come who would like to comment. So, right now, we’ll be off the record.

(A recess was taken.)

THE FACILITATOR: We’ll be back on the record.

This is a continuation of the public...