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The committee met, pursuant to adjournment, at 10:10 a.m., in room 2325, Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C., Hon. Emilio Q. Daddario (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Mr. DADDARIO. This meeting will come to order. Our first witness this morning is Dr. Leon Weinberger who is Acting Assistant Commissioner for Research and Development for the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration of the Department of Interior.

Dr. Weinberger, we are happy to have you here. I am sorry we are late. We will go right into your testimony.

STATEMENT OF DR. LEON W. WEINBERGER, ACTING ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Dr. WEINBERGER. Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, I am very pleased to appear before you to discuss research and development in water pollution control.

Mr. Chairman, I have a statement and with your permission I will read parts of it.

Mr. DADDARIO. We will appreciate that.

Dr. WEINBERGER. In the U.S. Department of the Interior, the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration carries out a program of scientific and engineering research broadly directed to: (1) The determination of the causes and effects of pollution of the Nation's water resources, and (2) the development of pollution prevention and control measures necessary to maintain the national water resources at a quality suitable for domestic and municipal water supplies, industrial and agricultural purposes, recreation, propagation of fish, aquatic life, and wildlife, and other beneficial uses. In carrying out our program, every effort is made to encourage and to cooperate with appropriate public, whether Federal, State, interstate, or local, authorities, agencies, institutions and individuals and private institutions.

Many of the water pollution problems facing our Nation today can be alleviated by the application of existing technology. In fact dur-