

Mr. RAYNES. Any good technical man will accept help when he has a problem, if he can find it.

Mr. DADDARIO. The object is to make available the opportunity to go to a central source?

Mr. RAYNES. Yes. Or to have help come to him.

Mr. DADDARIO. You don't eliminate the possibility of placing responsibility on a State or local area as well?

Mr. RAYNES. No indeed, sir.

Mr. DADDARIO. Have you any reason to believe that industry is becoming interested enough in pollution abatement to go to a company such as yours to have work done for them?

Mr. RAYNES. They have—yes, I see signs. Many companies are now beginning to look into water pollution. Industry is beginning to recognize, I think, that there are business opportunities there for one thing. That incentive is plenty strong, very worthwhile.

We do see it. Rand Development has not been approached as yet by any company to undertake research work. Contract research and development is the basis of my corporation's charter. We haven't had very much of that, but we have had people come and want to talk to us about the possibility of cooperating with us in the pollution abatement field.

Mr. DADDARIO. You used the example of a man running into difficulty with his plant and having to spend 6 months waiting for help or working to get it back into shape instead of being able to go to a central place for immediate aid. How about the problems of poor design and inadequate facilities which confront the people who run these plants? Don't they need to have some kind of advice available to them to supplement what they already have with new techniques?

Mr. RAYNES. I think that would be a very worthwhile addition. As much help as they can get, as much frankness about the problem as they could give.

Mr. DADDARIO. This falls within the category of unused potential which we already possess.

Mr. RAYNES. Yes, sir; I believe that.

Mr. DADDARIO. Mr. Conable?

Mr. CONABLE. I don't want to belabor this license to pollute point any more. I think I understand what you are saying. We really have a priority problem though, don't we? Assuming there is a limited resource in this field—and I am afraid we have to assume a limited resource in every public field—we are going to have to decide where the pollutants are doing the most damage and we are going to have to continue to survey the practical matter regardless of what our ideal point of view would be.

Mr. RAYNES. I hope not but I suppose that is the practical side of the matter. I'd prefer to see it otherwise.

Mr. CONABLE. I understand your point and I think the how-can-we-get-away-with point of view is a dominant one in the field.

Mr. RAYNES. I am afraid it is.

Mr. CONABLE. I don't see any practical way to get away from it completely because we can't just clean up every stream tonight.

Mr. RAYNES. No; I don't think it can be done by nightfall. But we could get started by then.