

technical assistance programs will no doubt arise. No formal arrangements have yet been made since both programs are in their formative stage.

The Office of State Technical Services will make use of the existing Clearinghouse for Federal Scientific and Technical Information on a reimbursable basis. The Clearinghouse will be a primary source of documents which will be distributed to American industry through the State programs and the special merit programs.

(c) *With other Federal Government departments or agencies.*—The Office of State Technical Services will rely very heavily on the technical information generated by the Department of Defense, the Atomic Energy Commission, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and other Government Agencies and bureaus as a primary source of information to disseminate in the States. The Clearinghouse already has formal arrangements to distribute documents generated by these agencies. Complete coordination with the programs of other Federal Agencies will be established as soon as possible.

(d) *With State governments.*—The majority of the funds to be allocated under this Act will be to the States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia. Each of the above will submit its plan for information dissemination and, on funding, will administer the program in the States. The actual process of information transfer will be done by and through qualified institutions in the States.

(e) *With local governments or communities.*—Some States may have special relationships with local governments, although it is unlikely that this will be an appreciable part of their program. No direct relationship between the Office of State Technical Services and local communities is contemplated.

(f) *With foreign governments or international organizations.*—Programs similar to the State Technical Services exist in foreign countries. Cooperation will probably be limited to an exchange of experiences in execution of the programs here and abroad.

(g) *With non-profit organizations and institutions.*—The State Technical Services Act specified that the actual dissemination of information will take place through qualified institutions in the States. These institutions will be colleges, universities, State agencies, and qualified non-profit research institutes.

(h) *With business enterprises.*—The objective of the State Technical Services Act as stated in the Act is "to promote commerce and encourage economic growth by supporting State and interstate programs to place the findings of science usefully in the hands of American enterprise." Obviously, the interaction with the business community will be strong. The qualified institutions in the States will aid business in identifying the technical information it needs and in finding that information.

8. Laws and regulations

The only law applicable is the State Technical Services Act of 1965, Public Law 89-182, 79 Stat. 679 (September 14, 1965). Assurances of compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights of 1964 are required under the Act.