

EXHIBIT 6

ARMY ADMITS ROLE IN LAKE POLLUTION

HOUSE PANEL HEARS GENERAL AT LAKE MICHIGAN INQUIRY

WASHINGTON, October 10 (AP).—The Army Corps of Engineers admitted today that it was helping to pollute Lake Michigan, and said that it would probably have to continue doing so at least through 1970.

But Brig. Gen. H. G. Woodbury Jr., the corps' director of civil works, told a House subcommittee that the pollution material, harbor dredgings dumped into the lake, was small compared with that from industry and cities.

The corps must dredge in order to maintain 108 Great Lakes harbors, General Woodbury said, and must dump dredgings into the lakes until Federal and local agencies are willing to spend some \$500-million for inland disposal pits.

He testified at a hearing requested by Chicago's Metropolitan Sanitary District after the corps announced it must dump 200,000 cubic yards of dredging from Indiana Harbor into Lake Michigan.

The sanitary district asked a Congressional investigation aimed at ending are dumping is small in comparison to other pollutants being introduced into the lake."

Representative Roman C. Pucinski, Democrat of Illinois, said the amount of pollution dumped by the corps was not the point.

"The problem," he said, "is that you really can't crack down on private industry when you have a Federal agency doing any kind of polluting."

General Woodbury said the corps was not likely to get sufficient money to end the dumping before 1970, when a \$6-million study on effects of the dumping will be completed. He said an interim report was expected next summer.

Senator Ribicoff. What I am curious about is this: When do you sit down and how often do you sit down with the Department of the Interior or HEW on water pollution, or the Department of Agriculture?

When do you sit down with any of them?

Do you?

Mr. Fitt. Oh, yes, sir. There is a constant course of dealings.

CORPS WORKS TO COOPERATE WITH OTHER AGENCIES

For example, in the case of the really serious difficulties in the Great Lakes area that were mentioned in the New York Times, the Army Corps of Engineers has been working directly with the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration, both at its regional office in