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Mr. Vaughan has been awarded the Public Health Service Commendation Medal and he received the William Gibson Memorial Award for scholastic achievement in environmental health while studying at the University of Michigan.

Previous experience

A Commissioned Officer of the Public Health Service since graduation from college with assignments in Georgia, Texas, Oklahoma, Michigan, Washington, D.C. and Cincinnati, Ohio. Served in several areas with the Communicable Disease Center as a training officer in environmental sanitation; Deputy Project Director of the Arkansas-Red River Water Quality Study; Project Director Detroit River Lake Erie Water Pollution Control Enforcement Project; Director, Robert S. Kerr Water Research Center in Ada, Oklahoma; Chief, Environmental Sanitation Program, National Center for Urban and Industrial Health; and currently Chief, Solid Wastes Program, National Center for Urban and Industrial Health.

STATEMENT OF RICHARD VAUGHAN, DIRECTOR, SOLID WASTE DIVISION, PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

Mr. VAUGHAN. For the record my name is Richard Vaughan, and I am chief of the solid waste program in The National Center for Urban and Industrial Health of the Public Health Service, Depart-

ment of Health, Education, and Welfare.

Mr. Chairman, I am pleased to be here today and welcome this opportunity to present a report on the adequacy of technology in the field of solid waste management and what the solid wastes program of the Public Health Service is doing to close existing gaps in this technology.

I would like to submit my entire statement for the record and discuss

some of its major points.

Mr. Daddario. If you would, please.

Mr. VAUGHAN. Thank you.

The solid wastes program was established to carry out the directives

of the Solid Wastes Disposal Act of 1965.

In enacting this legislation, Congress recognized the increasing problems of solid waste management which have been accentuated by continuing technological progress and improvement. The Congress also recognized the fact that inefficient and improper methods of solid waste disposal threaten the health and well-being of the Nation, including interference with community life and development. Following the directives in this act, the Public Health Service has established an organizational entity to address itself to these problems and find solutions for today and tomorrow and thus, assure adequate protection of the air, land, and water resources of this country from degradation through inadequate and improper management of solid waste.

Now, I would like to discuss what the Public Health Service has done to better understand the adequacy of solid wastes practices and problems in this country and develop effective technology to cope with

these problems.

The improved technology we seek must satisfy other requirements in addition to being scientifically sound. These innovations must also