I believe that the assignment to the study teams was primarily to evaluate the suitabilities of the rivers as they found them for the purposes involved and not to attempt to develop which in the national interest is the best thing to do.

Mr. McCLURE. Now, is the study team approach that was used by you, under your direction, the only study that was made of these rivers for inclusion in this legislation?

Mr. CRAFTS. The Battelle study, and the study team report. If there were others, I don't know of them.

Mr. McCLURE. You don't know of any other effort made within the administration to make a broader study relating the value of these for this purpose as compared to other economic uses?

Mr. CRAFTS. I am not aware of them, no.

Mr. McCLURE. I really find this rather shocking personally, that we would come up with a rather major piece of legislation that will affect the lives of millions of people in great areas of our country for years and years to come, and find there has been no attempt by anybody within the administration to balance the uses of these rivers for the various possible uses.

I didn't expect that we would get to this point without at least some effort having been made to make an economic analysis of the impact of the use of these streams for this purpose.

Mr. CRAFTS. This is the feeling I know that prevails in some quarters of your State, and this is the feeling that Senator Jordan has. But it is also true that if you attempted to do this, to evaluate all the pros and cons of the rivers that are under consideration, all the possible alternatives, I don't know whether you would ever get anywhere.

Mr. McCLURE. Isn't that exactly what this committee is called upon to do?

Mr. CRAFTS. It also is possible for this committee, if it puts a river in there and decides later on that it wants to take it out, there is nothing to prevent this committee from taking it out.

Mr. McCLURE. Nothing except prior history that indicates you don't back up once you have taken this step.

Mr. CRAFTS. That's right; yes.

Mr. McCLURE. I believe that the legislation before us in most of its forms at least calls for some acceptance by a body or instrumentality of the State affected for the inclusion of additions to the system in the future.

Mr. CRAFTS. That is certainly right with respect to additions of State rivers. It requires consultation with the Governors of the States and with a whole group of bodies, Federal bodies and so on, before recommendations are submitted. In a sense it is very similar—in a broad sense it is very similar—to the pattern that we now go through with respect to recommendations from the Bureau of Reclamation and from the corps. There is a consultation and report and advice sought from a variety of agencies, and these all become available to the committee at the time the recommendation comes up.

Mr. McCLURE. Isn't there a further provision in some of the legislation concerning approval by the Governor of the State?

Mr. CRAFTS. Can you tell me which bill you are talking about? The addition of the State rivers—if you turn to page 4 of the attachment of my testimony, it is pretty clear. For State rivers to be added to the