

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A.—WRITTEN RESPONSES OF THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION TO QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY THE SUBCOMMITTEE

I. GENERAL QUESTIONS AFFECTING THE AGENCY AS A WHOLE

A. *Justification of Personnel Not Chargeable to Specific Programs*

1. What are the total funds available to your agency as a whole for fiscal 1968? Our current appropriation (fiscal year 1968) is \$23,460,000. However, as a result of Public Law 90-218, \$317,000 of our total appropriation has been placed in reserve. This effectively reduced our appropriation to \$23,143,000. Authority has been requested to release the reserve so as to cover part of the increased costs resulting from the pay increase authorized by Public Law 90-206. Further, we have a supplemental appropriation of \$386,000 pending to cover the balance of our increased costs resulting from pay increases. Assuming the supplemental appropriation is enacted and the reserve is released as proposed, we would then have a total of \$23,846,000 available to fund the Commission.

2. How many employees does your agency employ?

The Commission's authorized position ceiling is 1,907.

3. What is the geographical extent of your operations?

The Commission's operations embrace the continental United States with field offices in every State, except Delaware, and Hawaii. In addition, we perform a small number of compliance inspections and investigations of carriers domiciled in Canada and Mexico, who engage in interstate or foreign commerce.

4. Under the program budgeting breakdown, do you have a support program covering the operations of your office as well as other policymaking personnel?

The Commission does not formally maintain a general support program in its budgetary breakdown. However, our tentative program structure does include two program categories, entitled "Executive and advisory functions" and "General management and administration." These two categories when combined do constitute for all practical purposes our general support program.

5. How much money is available in fiscal 1968 for expenditures under this support program?

Assuming our pending \$386,000 supplemental appropriation is approved and the \$317,000 reserve is released, the Commission will have \$3,155,832 available for support programs as identified above.

6. Briefly justify expenditures for the support program in terms of the nature and extent of your operations and responsibilities.

Included in the expenditures for the Commission's support program are those relating to the Chairman and the Vice Chairman and their staffs; the Office of the General Counsel; the Office of the Secretary; and the Office of the Managing Director, which includes the Sections of Personnel, Administrative Services, Systems Development, and Budget and Fiscal. The Chairman is the executive head of the Commission and is responsible for the overall management and functioning of the Commission and the formulation of plans and policies designed to increase the effectiveness of the Commission in the administration of the Interstate Commerce Act and related acts. The Office of the General Counsel defends Commission orders in the courts and advises the Commission and its staff on legal questions arising in Commission proceedings, as well as in the administration of its other responsibilities. The Office of the Secretary maintains the public records of proceedings, prepares certifications, copies or extracts from records filed with the Commission for use in judicial proceedings and other purposes, and maintains the official minutes of the Commission. These functions account for approximately one-third of the support program expenditure.