

Mr. HYDE. But I don't see any necessity of distributing the hearing examiners through the operating bureaus.

Mr. BROOKS. Yes.

Mr. HYDE. The size of our agency being what it is—

Mr. BROOKS. It's not incompatible to charge off with a program budgeting concept, as I said before—to charge off that percentage of the hearing examiners' cost attributable to CATV, for example.

Mr. HYDE. This is exactly the way we are attempting.

Mr. BROOKS. Without setting up a whole set of special examiners to operate under the CATV task force.

Mr. HYDE. That was the point I was endeavoring to make.

Mr. BROOKS. But the support program is still sort of spread out in tier two—then you have your research down under your engineer and you're setting up a program on that.

Mr. HYDE. Yes, sir. We have entered into discussions with the Civil Service Commission, and we expect to add some expertise, particularly in the area of policy research. We would expect, according to our present plans, to have that—a group that would advise directly with the Commission and would support our overall program.

Mr. BROOKS. And they would be working pretty closely with your support program?

Mr. HYDE. Oh, yes, indeed.

Mr. BROOKS. Which is going to have some—as you indicate, some policy direction?

Mr. HYDE. That's right. From the Commissioner, particularly.

Mr. BROOKS. Do you have any in there now? Where do you get that policy direction? I haven't located that too clearly.

Under that chart which you submitted, I just wondered where that fits in? It didn't seem to be indicated too clearly.

Mr. HYDE. Well, the Commissioners first, of course, then there is the Executive Director and his staff, to help with the coordination of it; our chief technical and scientific adviser, the Chief Engineer; the General Counsel, who's the general legal adviser to the Commission. Now, this is where the general policy support comes from.

Mr. BROOKS. Do they have any policy of working together in evolving a general policy and trying to determine where communications are going and what the Federal role ought to be and what your effectiveness is in getting some public service—not a whole lot, but just some public service out of this benefit that you bestow on various and sundry folks around the country?

Mr. HYDE. Yes. The principal staff officers that I mentioned, the General Counsel and Chief Engineer, give advice to the Commission, which cuts across all bureaus. Now, as a regular procedure with the Commission, we have the chiefs of all of the bureaus to participate in the discussions and in the staff work, looking toward the development of general policies and also making their contributions to policy, which you might say would relate more directly to individual bureaus.

We have, as a matter of fact, adopted a practice of having a policy briefing session. The first item of business from week to week on our agenda—if you were to look at our typical agenda—there's one section that's called General Agenda. That's the one which will be of interest to the entire establishment. Following the General Agenda, we have the separate agendas for Broadcast Bureau, Safety and Special Services, and so forth.