

It is expected that additional funds will be required for equipment, personnel, and travel due to the continuing growth in the number of licensed radio stations and electronic devices. As the radio spectrum becomes more densely populated radio interference will increase. Such an increase must be accompanied by a proportionate increase in the FEB's investigatory and monitoring functions in order to give corresponding benefits of good radio communications to the users.

11. At what level are the personnel responsible for the various parts of the program coordinated to determine if the program as a whole is being efficiently carried out?

The Bureau Chief and Deputy Bureau Chiefs, grades GS-17 and GS-16, respectively.

12. Is there a continual program review within the agency, other than the annual budgetary review, to determine more effective and efficient ways to achieve these program objectives?

There is a continual review program within the agency, other than annual budgetary review, to determine more effective and efficient ways to achieve program objectives of the Field Engineering Bureau.

13. To your knowledge, does this program duplicate or parallel work being done by any other agency?

No.

14. Is your organizational structure such that the program is being carried out most efficiently and effectively?

Yes.

15. Are there any outstanding GAO reports on this program? If so, what is the status of the GAO recommendations the report contains?

There are no outstanding GAO reports to Congress on the Field Engineering Bureau program.

16. What significant problems, if any, are you facing in accomplishing the program objectives?

Sufficient funds are not available to do the necessary enforcement. An example is our inability to devote sufficient manpower to the Citizens Radio Service which has brought about misuse of the frequencies and operation on frequencies not authorized to citizens radio stations.

17. Do you administer any grants, loans, or other disbursed funds related to this program? If so, is the size of your administrative staff commensurate with the magnitude of the outlays?

The Field Engineering Bureau does not administer any grants, loans, or other disbursed funds related to its program.

18. If your appropriations were reduced, how would you absorb the cut—by an overall reduction, or by cutting or curtailing certain activities?

If our appropriations were reduced we would propose to absorb the cut by (a) reducing overall service to the public by reduction of investigations of interference complaints to home television receivers; (b) reducing administration of operator license examinations; and (c) possible reduction in inspections consistent with circumstances at the time.

19. If additional funds were available, what would you do with the new money?

If additional funds were available the Field Engineering Bureau would increase enforcement of the Citizens Radio Service, increase service to the public, and speed up our service in monitoring stations in search and rescue operations.