

administration of such legislation, and there was at that time a cutback in Federal highway funds. These and other factors, according to Mr. Dingwall created an atmosphere of uncertainty relative to State legislation with respect to outdoor advertising control.

UTAH

On August 9, 1967, Governor Rampton submitted a proposed agreement to the Secretary. By letter dated September 29, 1967, Administrator Bridwell offered to have representatives go to Salt Lake City to discuss the agreement with the Governor or his representatives. Several meetings were held between State officials, including Governor Rampton, and Administration representatives, including Mr. Bridwell, during the meetings of the American Association of State Highway Officials in Salt Lake City in October 1967. Governor Rampton submitted a revised agreement on November 10, 1967, and further negotiations were carried on telephonically with State officials in December 1967. The agreement was signed on January 18, 1968.

VERMONT

Negotiations were begun on June 16, 1967, in Montpelier. On that date representatives of the Federal Highway Administration met with State officials. A proposed agreement was prepared, based primarily on the provisions of the then existing Vermont law. The agreement was signed on June 28, 1967.

VIRGINIA

Negotiations were commenced on May 19, 1967. On that date an Administration representative met with State officials in Richmond. These negotiations were continued on June 15, 1967, and the agreement with Virginia was signed on July 13, 1967.

WASHINGTON

Administrator Bridwell wrote to Director Prah of the Washington Department of Highways on August 9, 1967, asking the State to develop standards for study and mutual discussion. On August 21, 1967, representatives of the Administration met with State officials in Olympia. Subsequent to that time the State has been involved in a suit testing the constitutionality of their existing law controlling outdoor advertising and has been reluctant to conduct further negotiations or enter an agreement pending settlement of the suit.

WEST VIRGINIA

Negotiations were begun on June 13, 1967, in a meeting in Charleston attended by State officials and a representative of the Administration. A second meeting was held on August 3, 1967, in Charleston and on August 25, 1967, State representatives traveled to Washington to discuss a draft agreement. Certain objections to the State's proposal were explained to the State representatives at that time. By letter dated December 6, 1967, Commissioner Sawyers submitted a signed agreement, which was discussed in detail at a meeting in Washington on February 7, 1968, attended by Mr. Sawyers and other State officials representing the State and Administration representatives. Again, Administration objections to the prepared agreement were explained. On May 2, 1968, the negotiations were continued between State officials and Administration representatives at a meeting in Washington.

WISCONSIN

Negotiations were begun on July 13, 1967, in Madison. On that date Administration representatives met with State officials at the State's request. On September 8, 1967, Secretary of Transportation Bakke advised that they had prepared a draft of an agreement which they intended to discuss with legislative leaders prior to submission. On May 17, 1968, Administration representatives again met with State officials in Madison and a draft of a proposed agreement was reviewed.

WYOMING

On January 24, 1968, a representative of the Federal Highway administration met with State officials in Cheyenne at which time the representative pointed out those features of existing Wyoming law which could prevent agreement on outdoor advertising control. On February 16, 1968, Administrator Bridwell wrote