Mr. Côté (Longueuil): Do you think these laboratories are adequate or good enough to study these things, or do you think they should be improved?

Mr. Cooper: Personally, I would like to see them expanded for certain aspects of this work, but it is beyond my prerogative to make a flat statement. Personally I would like to see extension of the facilities which are now excellent, but which I would like to see enlarged.

Mr. Côté (Longueuil): Is it easier to get the product through the Canadian government than through the United States government?

Mr. Cooper: I think in many cases it is more difficult in Canada than in the United States. You really should not compare the two. We have our own problems here. I think our opportunities to predict registration are much better here than in the United States; it is much more significant from my standpoint. I have dealt with both of them and I find the Canadian government much more practical. In many cases they are more demanding in what they wish to know. But as I say, it is difficult to compare them. However, of the two I would prefer to have the Canadian system over the United States system. The public may not agree with me.

Mr. WHITE-STEVENS: I am not going to argue with you.

Mr. Côté (Longueuil): How many new products come out every year, not only from your company—but for which registration is sought in Canada?

Mr. Cooper: I would have to ask Mr. McLeod. I am not prepared to answer.

Mr. Côté (Longueuil): Have you any idea?

Mr. Cooper: When you speak of new products, you have to include new uses of old products, or extending the use of current products. We register, roughly, probably not more than one new compound a year as a completely new compound. I am speaking of Cyanamid. But we may register from 20 to 30 new uses of older compounds. With this quantity of malathion material which is on the desk, we submitted a volume at the start, with very restricted use, and probably one or two during the control. But we are continuously developing new uses as proved efficacy and safety come in. The small volumes which you see here are these new uses. We will submit one of them for each new use that we want to put the compound to, and you will note that they are marked in green for goats, sheep, cattle, chickens or for fertilizer. And we will submit these each time we want to expand the use of a compound.

The CHAIRMAN: I think Mr. McLeod should answer Mr. Côté's question.

Mr. W. S. McLeod (Supervisor, Pesticide Unit, Plant Products Division): Mr. Chairman, in respect of new chemicals registered in Canada for the first time, we have this year registered 15. We expect to register one more this week and there is a possibility we may register one more before the end of this year.

Mr. Côté (Longueuil): Is this higher than last year?

Mr. McLeod: Yes, it has increased yearly over the past four years in respect of new products; that is products containing new or well known ingredients.

We register each year between 350 and 450 new products, but we are unable to keep statistics of new claims for previously registered products as the volume is too great.

Mr. Côté (Longueuil): Are the products used in these new products already in use in other products now?

Mr. McLeod: Yes, largely so.