APPENDIX "3"

1st. letter to all gov. depts. and agencies

September 23, 1975

Re: Science Policy

The Senate Special Committee on Science Policy presented a report to the Senate on July 10, 1975. As you will see in the copy of that document which I have attached herewith, the Committee has received a new broad mandate; the Committee is "authorized to consider and report on Canadian government and other expenditures on scientific activities and matters related thereto".

Although these terms of reference could cover almost anything pertaining to science policy, our report makes it clear that we are not intending to start a general enquiry as we did in 1968. It mentions three specific areas on which we would like to concentrate.

The first item is related to futures studies or research. You will soon receive a separate letter, accompanied by a special questionnaire, regarding your views and activities in this area.

The two other items indicate our intention to revisit the scene of science policy in the light of the proposals that were put forward in Volumes 2 and 3 published in 1972 and 1973.