APPENDIX

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Of the 102 cities in the State, only 17 had a civil city tax rate of less than \$0.60 in 1944, and each of these owned the electric utility property in the city and all except one also owned the water property serving the city. In the same year, there were 46 cities with a civil city tax rate of over \$1.10, and none of these except three owned the electric utility property in the city. The electric utility properties in these three cities were so recently acquired that the effect of the earnings of the properties is not yet reflected in the savings on the tax rate. The civil city tax rates in the other 39 cities range between \$0.60 and \$1.10, and most of these cities own only their electric utility or water property, but very few own both. These simple figures almost tell the whole story, but a closer comparison is made of 9 selected cities.

In the following comparisons, cities which are as similar as possible in size and wealth were chosen. The comparative size is shown by population and the comparative wealth can be judged by the assessed valuation figures. The total receipts of the public utilities are presented so that the total cost of utility service to the city and its population ean be compared. The usual "operating" expenses of government for services such as fire and police protection, parks, sanitation, etc., are shown so that the amount and extent of such service per capita can be compared with the portion of such costs absorbed by earnings from utilities. In this connection, it was generally found that the net profits of the utilities owned by the cities were substantially in excess of the amounts transferred to the general funds, even after considerable "non-cash" depreciation expense. In the case of cities which own their utilities, services such as fire hydrant rental and street lighting expense were furnished free or at very low cost, while in the case of cities which did not own their utilities, such costs were substantially in excess of the amount collected from the utilities by the cities in taxes.

The figures are taken from the records on file at the State Board of Tax Commissioners, the Public Service Commission, and the State Board of Accounts.

| | Anderson | Kokomo | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| | (City owns both | | | |
| | electric and water | (City owns no utility) | | |
| | utility) | • | | |
| Population | | 88.795 | | |
| Assessed Valuation 1943 | | \$31,285,885 | | |
| Civil City Tax Rate 1944 | | 1.418 | | |
| Total Receipts from Custome | | | | |
| and City 1943 | | | | |
| Electric Utility | \$ 1,460,0564 | \$ 1,612,3934 | | |
| Water Utility | | 189,7814 | | |
| waket Othry | | 100,101 | | |
| Total | \$ 1,731,306 | \$ 1,802,174 | | |
| Total "Governmental" Expen | ditures | | | |
| Civil City 1943 | | \$ 487,762 | | |
| Receipts from General Proper | | 4 22., | | |
| Taxes 1943 | | 387,630 | | |
| Total "Revenue" Receipts 1 | | 564,196 | | |
| Transferred from Utility | D-101 000,100 | 001,100 | | |
| Earnings 1943 | 507.400 | | | |
| Paid by City for Hydrant Ren | • | | | |
| | = | 60.050 | | |
| Street Lighting 1943 | | 60,059 | | |
| Assessed Valuation Water and | | 0.010.070 | | |
| Electric Utilities 1944 | | 2,012,670 | | |
| Taxes Paid to Civil City by | | 22 7 42 | | |
| Utilities ³ | | 28,540 | | |

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Estimated on basis of assessed valuation filed with State and Civil City Tax Rate for 1944.

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| (Cito | Peru owns both | Jeffersonville (City owns no utility) | | |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| | ic and water utility) | | | |
| Population | • • • | 11,498 | | |
| Assessed Valuation 1943\$ | • | \$ 7,580,395 | | |
| Civil City Tax Rate 1944 Total Receipts from Customers | none | 1.50 | | |
| and City 1948 | | | | |
| Electric Utility\$ | 468,3264 | \$ 429,2294 | | |
| Water Utility | 51,658 4 | Not Available | | |
| | 519,984 | | | |
| Total "Governmental" Expendi- | | | | |
| tures Civil City 1943\$ | 166,039 | \$ 151,188 | | |
| Receipts from General Property | | | | |
| Taxes 1943 | 2,512 | 129, 44 8 | | |
| Total "Revenue"2 Receipts 1943 . | 75,827 | 164,216 | | |
| Transferred from Utility Earn- | | - | | |
| ings 1943 | 119,071 | | | |
| Paid by City for Hydrant Rental, | • | | | |
| Street Lighting, 1943 | | 25,384 | | |
| Assessed Valuation Water and | | -•- | | |
| Electric Utilities 1944 | | 486,830 | | |
| Taxes Paid to Civil City by | | | | |
| Utilities ³ | | 7,302 | | |

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available data.

| · | Portland | | Franklin | | |
|----------------------------------|---|---------------|------------------------|--|--|
| , · · · | (City owns both electric and water utility) | | (City owns no utility) | | |
| Population | 6,362 | | 6,264 | | |
| Assessed Valuation 1943\$ | \$ 4,172,721 | | \$ 5,754,670 | | |
| Civil City Tax Rate 1944 | .25 | | 1.32 | | |
| Total Receipts from Customers | | | | | |
| and City 1943 | | | | | |
| Electric Utility\$ | 202,4714 | \$ | 178,6754 | | |
| Water Utility | 24,4094 | Not Available | | | |
| | 000 000 | | | | |
| Total\$ | 226,880 | - | | | |
| Total "Governmental" Expendi- | | | | | |
| tures Civil City 1943\$ | 62,659 | \$ | 85,732 | | |
| Receipts from General Property | • | | | | |
| Taxes 1943 | 16,853 | | 69,4 35 | | |
| Total "Revenue" Receipts 1943 . | 29,678 | | 90,452 | | |
| Transferred from Utility Earn- | | | | | |
| ings 1943 | 35,000 | - | | | |
| Paid by City for Hydrant Rental, | | | | | |
| Street Lighting 1943 | 3,000 | | 14,755 | | |
| Assessed Valuation Water and | | | | | |
| Electric Utilities 1944 | | | 300,800 | | |
| Taxes Paid to Civil City by | | | | | |
| Utilities ³ | | | 3,971 | | |

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| Нип | tingburg | | Aurora | F | Rockport |
|--|-----------|--------|---------------|-----|------------------------|
| (City | owns both | ı (Cit | y owns no | (Ci | t y owns no |
| Electri | c and wat | er | utility) | | utility) |
| u | tility) | | | | |
| Populatiion | 3,816 | | 4,828 | | 2,421 |
| Assessed Valuation 1943\$1 | 1,859,410 | \$2 | ,781,740 | \$1 | ,060,840 |
| Civil City Tax Rate 1944 | none | | .88 | 5 | 1.30 |
| Total Receipts from Customers | | | | | |
| and City 1943 | | | | | |
| Electric Utility\$ | 90,5624 | \$ | 127,8174 | \$ | 87,6644 |
| Water Utility | | | Available | - | 16,8914 |
| | <u> </u> | | | | |
| Total\$ | 112,314 | - | | \$ | 104,555 |
| Total "Governmental" Expendi- | | | | | |
| tures Civil City 1943\$ | 33,603 | \$ | 38,951 | \$ | 15,756 |
| Receipts from General Property | | • | • | • | • |
| Taxes 1943 | 3,600 | | 31,349 | | 11,958 |
| Total "Revenue" ² Receipts 1943 | 13,185 | | 42,261 | | 18,432 |
| Transferred from Utility Earn- | • | | • | | • |
| ings 1943 | 26,545 | | | _ | _ |
| Paid by City for Hydrant Rental, | • | | | | |
| Street Lighting 1943 | 6,445 | | 9,727 | | 4,410 |
| Assessed Valuation Water and | -, | | -,- | | • |
| Electric Utilities 1944 | | | 234,250 | | 125,080 |
| Taxes Paid to Civil City by | | | - ·· , | | • |
| Utilities ³ | | | 1,991 | | 1,626 |
| | | | -, | | -, |

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