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The President today announced his intention to nominate Andrew W. Breidenbach, of Cincinnati, Ohio, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. His area of responsibility will be Water and Hazardous Materials. He will succeed James L. Agee who resigned effective September 1, 1975.

Mr. Breidenbach is serving as Acting Director of the Municipal Environ-mental Research Laboratory, Office of Research and Development for the Environmental Protection Agency in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was Director of the National Environmental Research Center for EPA from 1971 until becoming Acting Director, From 1967 to 1971, he was Director, Division of Research and Development, for the Bureau of Solid Waste Management in Washington, D.C. and Cincinnati, Ohio. He was Deputy Director and Chief of Technical Operations for the National Sampling Network of the Departments of Health, Education and Welfare and Interior, from 1962 to 1967.

Born in Newark, New Jersey, on June 20, 1924, he received his B.S. degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1949. He attended the University of Florida and received his M.S. in 1950 and his Ph.D. in 1953. He was Chief of the Chemistry Division of the Maryland State Health Department from 1953 to 1956. From 1956 to 1962, he was in the training program for the Robert A. Taft Sanitary Engineering Center in Cincinnati.

Mr. Breidenbach is married to the former Jeanne Forsberg and they have four children.