

1 except as to roads and trash collection.

2 So, this is the problem. While you look at
3 classification, population, while it is the easiest factor
4 is really the one that does not lend itself to the proper
5 method to get what you want. I am excluding, and of
6 course, there are exceptions, the large cities, Cumberland,
7 Hagerstown, Annapolis, which do provide service; but cer-
8 tainly the ones located in the Washington metropolitan
9 area and the larger towns do not do it. It is the strange
10 paradox we have in Maryland where your small cities or
11 small towns frequently do more than what College Park
12 does, for instance. It is a strange paradox, but one we
13 live with.

14 MR. THOMPSON: Mr. Chairman, I would say in
15 substance I agree with what Mr. Ratchford says and I think
16 what he says, if he didn't say it expressly, and perhaps
17 I didn't notice it, but at least by implication, if there
18 is to be a categorization, it perhaps be best by function
19 and not by size. I have run into this problem many times
20 before.

21 MR. RATCHFORD: Or by area might be another way.