

APPENDIX C. BUDGETS FOR THE RTG PROGRAM

TABLE C: BUDGETS FOR THE RTG PROGRAM*
(Figures in thousands of dollars)

1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
46	485	1,890	3,526	2,386	1,170	4,189	11,279	27,260	28,643
1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
37,158	48,154	35,516	29,703	20,645	18,294	16,372	29,030	27,900	27,272
1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985
25,085	29,137	24,100	34,000	33,700	36,000	34,246	37,962	27,735	27,950

Explanation of Budget Figure Aggregations

The space RTG program existed under many organizational names and within many organizational configurations. Therefore, it is not readily identifiable as a single, separate entity through the years since 1956. In preparing the budget figures and plottings for APPENDIX C, the following procedures were followed to identify dollar amounts that could be said to represent allocations to the "Space RTG Program":

- for the years 1956-1972, subtotals were obtained from budgets for "Space Electric Power Development" at the AEC. The specific line items included to arrive at the program totals were: "Radioisotopes," "Power Conversion Technology," "Space Nuclear Safety," and "Isotope Fuel Development." "Isotope Fuel Development" did not appear as a budget item until 1962.
- for the years 1973-1974, two items were taken from the "Space electric Power Program" budgets: "Total Isotope Systems *Operating*" funds and "Total Radioisotope Systems Equipment" funds.
- for 1975, two items were taken from the "Space Nuclear Systems Program" budget: "Total Space Electric Power *Operating*" funds and "Total Space Electric Power Equipment" funds.
- for 1976 and 1977, three items were taken from the "Nuclear Research and Applications Program" budgets: "Total Space Applications *Operating*," "Space Applications *Capital Equipment*," and "Advanced Isotope Separation Technology *Capital Equipment*" funds.