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Dear Shirley,

I have to apologize for some errors on the last routing information letter, first it was undated but should have been something like 3/3; secondly, on item 3, of that letter the 191 + NPA route for Rockdale Region should be done on June 7, 1980 and not June 6. Since I've been known to preach about adhering to scheduled cutover dates, the rule should apply to me as well. Sorry about those errors.

There are also some more interesting items coming along, and I will attempt to cover them:

1. A new service is planned to assist people with impaired speech and hearing. Assistance locations, established in Philadelphia, Boston, Omaha, and Oakland will be equipped with telecommunication devices (similar to computer terminals) to communicate with them.

Inward WATS will provide the means of access and 800 + 855 1155 is the assigned number. These calls will be directed to one of 4 terminating screening offices depending on the region of origin. Listed below is the pertinent information for the Inward WATS function.

<u>Impaired speech/hearing assistance location</u>	<u>TSO</u>	<u>INB</u>	<u>Tens Block Band</u>	<u>Region Served</u>
Philadelphia	WAYNPALA42T	14B	4	WAYNE
				ROCKDALE
Boston	CMERMA0118T	12B	3	WHITE PLAINS
				PITTSBURGH

Omaha	OMAHNENW14T	16B	4	NORWAY
				ST. LOUIS
Oakland	OKLDCA0341T	14B	3	SACRAMENTO
				SAN BERNARDINO
				DALLAS
				DENVER

*revised  
8/1/81  
to include  
Hawaii  
(band six)*

I am attempting to minimize the deviations from standard practices but it is not quite possible to avoid them completely. Intra-state calls will be handled as inter-state, e.g. calls originating in 717 (Pa.) will be routed to or towards WAYNPA LA42T with a band digit of 9, thereby appearing to have originated from somewhere in band 1 for eastern Pennsylvania. This situation will also occur in California, Nebraska, and Massachusetts.

It is planned to initiate this service on June 29, 1980 but since it is an important one and of such high visibility, we feel testing is in order. Please implement the required routing changes by June 7, to allow sufficient time for the testing phase.

2. Some time ago a GL (78-08-090) was issued for the purpose of advising you of some changes to the TRG. One was to establish a new code category "Special Codes Served". These codes are to be shown immediately following the listing of the central office codes in item A. Some questions have been asked about these codes centering around how we handle them and to show how they differ from the TTC or Tst Bd codes. To be brief about it - the OXX TTC and Tst Bd codes are never sent to the terminating toll switch, i.e., you skip at least 3D (the OXX) and possibly 6D (NPA+OXX), these are same rules that have existed for years. The special codes served are to be treated as central office codes i.e., either skip 0 or 3D (NPA) and forward the rest. In other words, if the OXX is above the TCA line then its a TTC or Tst Bd code, if its below the line then it is to be treated as a C. O. code.
3. Satellite avoidance Conference Calls (191+). Some of you have already realized we are in deep, deep trouble with 191 serving offices. The change out of 4A(s) to 4E(s) has virtually left us bereft of the ability to serve this function as it should be. The fix for it, which was to be in 4E5 generic, was deleted without our knowledge and caused minor cases of cardiac arrest. It appears we will have to perform some fancy footwork over the next few months to maintain the service and I desperately need your assistance to maintain the satellite avoidance capability for the conference operators.

At all switching systems performing 6D translation on 191, route the traffic currently destined for DNVRCOMA03T (191 + 602, 208, 406, 505, 801 or 307) should, by 4/19/80, be routed to the 191 serving office in the originating region i.e.:

White Plains	- WHPLNY0201T
Wayne	- HRBCPAHA41T
Pittsburgh	- DTRTMIBA40T
Norway	- NRWYILNO41T
Rockdale	- RCDLGATL41T*
St. Louis	- STLMO0914T
San Bernardino	- SNBRCA0133T
Sacramento	- OKLDCA0341T
Dallas	- NONE
Denver	- NONE

\*until 6/7/80 then ATLNGANW43T

In the Denver Region conference operators will have to go to the regular 7 or 10D dialing arrangement for a period of time that is ill-defined at this point.

It grieves me to say that this 191 business will be in a state of flux for sometime. You can expect to receive several more changes in the near future and the routing information letters will be sent as soon as plans by divination can be found. Comments and questions, as usual, can be directed to me on 201-221-4759.

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