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Dear Shirley,

This routing information letter is to advise you of
2 more items of importance

- I. A new concept for the "900" service has been developed and I am sure you have heard of the various facets such as Mass Announcement System (MAS) and Media Stimulated Calling (MSC). The old "choke network", which was established via special broadcast (no. 169 12/16/72), was designed to limit the calls and preserve the network. The new service will be concerned with both protecting the network from overloads on the media stimulated activities and complete as many calls as possible on the mass announcement services.

The situation is somewhat fluid from my view because specific routing details vary by Company. It will have to suffice to say that the trunk forecasters have determined the trunking requirements and the services are in the process of implementation. Message trunk orders are to be expected from the servicers identifying the specific trunk groups to which 900 is to be routed. Basically the routing will be up-chain from the end office, through restricted access, to a class 4 or higher switching office that has the designated trunk group to the "900 Service" island (or serving office). There it will be routed over a restricted access trunk group to the 900 Serving office.

The following items may be of help in resolving some of your questions:

1. Up-chain routing should only utilize trunks in the final group.
2. 6D translation will be required at only the "900" serving office initially, however.....
3. It is expected that in a year or so that 6D translation will be required at all the switchers with direct trunk groups to the 900 serving office.
4. TRG section 4 will reflect which 4ESS will provide the 900 service and the territory that it serves.

Since initial network testing is expecting to commence on June 2, 1980, the new routing should be implemented on May 17th.

II. 1980 band compression of 800 service.

On July 1, 1980, band 7 will be discontinued and the band 7 subscribers will be provided band 5 service, i.e., Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands will be allowed access to the band 5 and band 6 subscribers whose access lines are located in the 48 contiguous States.

Originating Screening Office

Jacksonville will transmit a band digit of 5 for all 800 traffic originating in either Puerto Rico or U.S. Virgin Island (PRVI). The new band digit should be transmitted as 1N5 on direct trunk groups and 085 on "via" groups. This should be done just prior to the effective date of the tariff. Also, any pre-screening being done in PRVI to minimize ineffective attempts on the final to Jacksonville must be discontinued. Since neither Alaska or Hawaii have tariff structures that allow calls from PRVI, the 800 544 and 800 367 should be screened at Jacksonville.

Via or tandem offices

No work will be required.

Terminating Screening Offices

Marketing has indicated that Band 7 subscribers will be changed to Band 5. If some prefer to "upgrade" to band 6, to include Alaska and Hawaii they will, of course, be accommodated but this will entail a number change. This means that band 7 tens block can be

re-designated as band 5 and subscribers who wish to upgrade to band 6 must be changed to a band 6 tens block. In effect, changes will be required at the TSO(s) for screening and record purposes.

Please see to it that your switchers are properly programmed. Questions may be directed to me on 201-221-4759.

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