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TO: Executive Policy Team
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FROM: Patricia L. Caruso, Director

SUBJECT: Central Time Computation Unit

Along with their other responsibilities, Record Office staff have historically been responsible for processing judgments of sentence and performing all time computation functions for prisoners. These responsibilities have become increasingly complex and time-consuming over the last several years. As a result, and to increase overall efficiency and uniformity of how time calculations are performed, these functions will transfer to the Central Time Computation Unit in the Central Records Section of the Operations Division, Correctional Facility Administration, beginning June 1, 2008.

The Central Time Computation Unit will be responsible for processing all judgments of sentence imposing a prison sentence, including amended judgments, and computing each prisoner's release dates and parole eligibility dates (PED), if different than the release date. Included in this responsibility is notifying the Parole Board whenever a prisoner discharged from parole returns with a new conviction for an offense that occurred during parole. The Unit also will be responsible for the following:

1. All time computation transactions that result in a change to a prisoner's release date, including calculations of dead time.
2. Annual verification of each prisoner's release dates.
3. Verification of each prisoner's release dates prior to transfer to Community Residential Programs (CRP), parole, or discharge if a prior review was not completed by the Unit or if there has been any change in the prisoner's minimum release date since the last review was completed by the Unit. This includes verifying the release dates, and PED if the prisoner is paroling on his/her PED, unless previously verified. The Parole Board is to be notified immediately if there is any change in the prisoner's PED that affects the prisoner's eligibility for parole.
4. Termination of all non-controlling sentences.

Due to these changes in responsibilities, the Central Time Computation Unit will be responsible for responding to all Step I grievances and correspondence relating to sentence processing and time computations, even if the action was performed by Record Office staff.

These changes will be incorporated into relevant policy directives the next time they are revised.