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TO:

FROM:

Dan Pacholke, Secretary

SUBJECT: OMNI Solution

Information technology staff members have been working toward a coding solution for the complex formula used in sentence calculations in the Offender Management Network Information (OMNI) system. This is the same solution that has been much discussed within the Department and in the media lately, as being part of the "King decision fix." Our staff, in working with the OMNI software vendor Sierra-Cedar systems, are in the final stages of ensuring that quality assurance is performed on these intricate sentencing code changes by running complex scenarios through a testing phase. These tests are expected to be completed by Tuesday, January 12 so that the fix can be implemented on Wednesday, January 13.

Other system modifications being included within this maintenance release are:

- Violator Improvement Process, including:
 - refined and improved violator counts
 - o refined and improved end dates for supervision
 - o documentation of arrest information
 - o improved efficiencies for staff
- Prison Discipline updates, including:
 - o changes to Washington Administrative Code descriptions
 - o changes to sanctions
 - o adding any new Washington Administrative Code references

When manually recalculating sentences of offenders who remain incarcerated within our system. we extended our manual calculations to February 7 to allow for enough time to guarantee that the system would be rigorously tested and fixed. By extending the date of implementation from January 7 to January 12, we are allowing an additional weekend of testing by our records team and information technology specialists to comply with the Governor's mandate of "fixing it right" as well as maintaining the Departments high standard for quality assurance.