

NEW LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE CENTER

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

The new center will be constructed by the Long Lines Department of American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

SITE - A two acre plot, in the area bounded by Bent, Rogers, 5th and 6th streets. In the next block to New England Telephone's new Bent Street building.

USE - To expand Bell System services in the eastern Massachusetts area to meet projected growth in the last half of this decade and the early 1980's.

BUILDING CONTENTS

- Telephone Switching equipment of the most modern design, including one of the first No. 4 Electronic Switching Systems to be installed in the country.
- Facilities to provide various special services, such as high speed digital data systems and a multitude of other tailor-made services to meet specific customer requirements.
- Terminal equipment for two high capacity coaxial cables to connect the building into the nationwide telephone network.
- Associated power equipment, including emergency turbine generators which will allow the building to remain fully operational in the event of a commercial power failure.

THE BUILDING ITSELF - Design is under way, and the following figures are approximate:

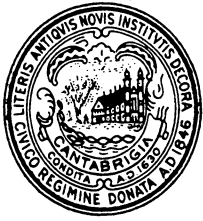
Size - 250,000 square feet.
- Seven floors plus basement.

Construction - Reinforced concrete, with exterior design to provide a pleasing appearance and proper blend with the surrounding area. Every building ordinance will be complied with, including proper setbacks from streets and on-site parking.

Number of Personnel - Ultimately, 250-300 people will be employed in the building, principally telephone technicians and building maintenance people.

Schedule

- Design complete	- October, 1972
- Construction start	- Early 1973
- Building occupancy	- Mid-1975
- Equipment in service	- Mid-1976



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
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June 16, 1972

To the Honorable, the City Council:

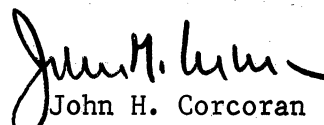
I should like to advise your Honorable Body that Mayor Ackermann and I met this date with several representatives of the Telephone Company.

At this meeting, Mr. M. R. Wheeler, Jr., Division Operations Manager of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, outlined in some detail the plans that his company has for the East Cambridge area. I take the liberty of enclosing for you this same detail that was presented to us.

Mr. Wheeler advises us that none of this detail had been made public pending the meeting with Mayor Ackermann and myself. I am very pleased to let you know formally of this very significant investment in our community by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. Mr. Wheeler further advises me that the initial investment by the Telephone Company in this location will be in excess of Twenty Million Dollars.

I am very pleased to make this detailed information available to your Honorable Body at this time.

Very truly yours,


John H. Corcoran
City Manager

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