

## **TL 9000 Informational Alert**

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## 5. Reason for Alert:

Provide clarification that when calculating overall fix response time, customer agreement is required in order to exclude extraordinary delay time that is due to the customer.

## 6. Description:

Paragraph 5.2.4 b)7 provides reference to fix response time with specific examples of delays that may be excluded from the overall closure time, e.g., excessive delay in testing a proposed solution due to customer staffing constraints. Implied in this rule is the mutual agreement of the customer regarding extraordinary delays . This alert clarifies that where the organization is excluding excessive delay time attributed to the customer, objective evidence of agreement from the customer is required.

## 7. Comments:

This clarification directly impacts the Fix Response Time (FRT) and indirectly impacts Overdue Fix Responsiveness (OFR). The next revision of the Handbook will incorporate the clarification.