the wage bill. These projects might also be permitted to retain earnings for future development.

Projects in this category would have to be non-competitive with local firms, and the sponsors should have demonstrated skills and a potentially viable idea.

A good example of this type of project would be a co-operative business organization, run on a non-profit basis, for the purpose of providing needed community services. Another example might be the construction and operation of a medical clinic in a remote area.

The underlying concept of this type of project would be that a price must be charged for the goods produced or services provided; projects would also be organized and managed by the unemployed themselves.

Progress report:

Applications are flowing in at an increasing rate; their value having risen from \$64.7 million on November 8 to \$250 million on December 4.

Announcements on approved LIP projects are currently being made locally and regionally across the country.

A preliminary analysis of the types of projects indicates the following percentage breakdown: social services (30 per cent), construction (25 per cent), sports and recreation (20 per cent), arts and culture (10 per cent), with the remainder being for research, education, information, health, etc.

Program dates:

The program officially began December 1, 1972, and all project applications must be received by December 31, 1972.

General:

New project applications are generally better prepared than last year, reflecting the experience gained from the 1971-72 program. This year the controls are tighter, the criteria are clearer, and the monitoring and auditing will be stepped-up and refined.

Last year's program had a minimal number of projects that did not meet their stated objectives satisfactorily. Of 5,700 approved projects, only five cases of fraud have been recorded and only four projects have been terminated by the Department owing to mismanagement by the project sponsor.

N.B. For additional information, call 996-0261

TELECOMMUNICATION MESSAGE

March 9, 1973

FROM:

J. M. DesRoches, Deputy Minister

TO:

Director General—Atlantic, Quebec Ontario, Prairie and Pacific

As of now all CMCs will give absolute priority in referral for all jobs including TOJ to UIC claimants in the first instance, welfare recipients in the second instance, and other unemployed in the third instance. Only when these three sources have been thoroughly reviewed or exhausted in each particular situation should other people be referred. This order will be followed by all CMCs and counsellors without fault. Every effort will be made to fill TOJ vacancies forthwith as per above order.

J. M. DesRoches

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c.c. Deputy Minister's Special File

c.c. Mr. McCloskey

TELECOMMUNICATION MESSAGE

March 15, 1973

FROM:

J. M. DesRoches, Deputy Minister, M & I OTTAWA, Ont.

TO: All Regional Directors General This cancels and replaces my telex of March 9th.

The purpose of that telex was to emphasize the importance of aggressive, affirmative action by CMCs to utilize emerging employment opportunities, especially those created by the local initiative and training on the job programs for those people who are definitely unemployed and in need.

As you are aware priority in referral to jobs is governed by regulation 27 to the unemployment insurance regulations. Consistent with regulation 27, all job orders will be checked as soon as they are received against existing live files of registrations to ensure that preference in referral is given to qualified registrants as required by the regulation. The telex of March 9th was not intended to change this basic procedure.

In the case of the LIP and training on the job programs it has been publicly announced as government policy that priority in placement would be given to those who are unemployed. Within that priority emphasis must be given to those on unemployment insurance, welfare or otherwise unemployed and actively seeking work.

A special effort must be made to complete recruitment for LIP and training on the job, particularly the latter, as quickly as possible and in accordance with the foregoing policy.

J. M. DesRoches