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HIGHLIGHTS

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I have been concerned for some time with the lack of adequate communication between Washington Headquarters and the Field organizations. Our accident response system has worked beautifully for the most part but on a policy level the inadequacies are pretty obvious.

I hope to rectify this lack through a change in our system of communication. From now on, I intent to produce a weekly newsletter concerned not only with what is happening in Washington, but what affects the individual regions in the realism of organization, procedures and policy. The newsletter will report to you, not only regarding the Office of Safety but also about what is happening in FRA and in the DOT.

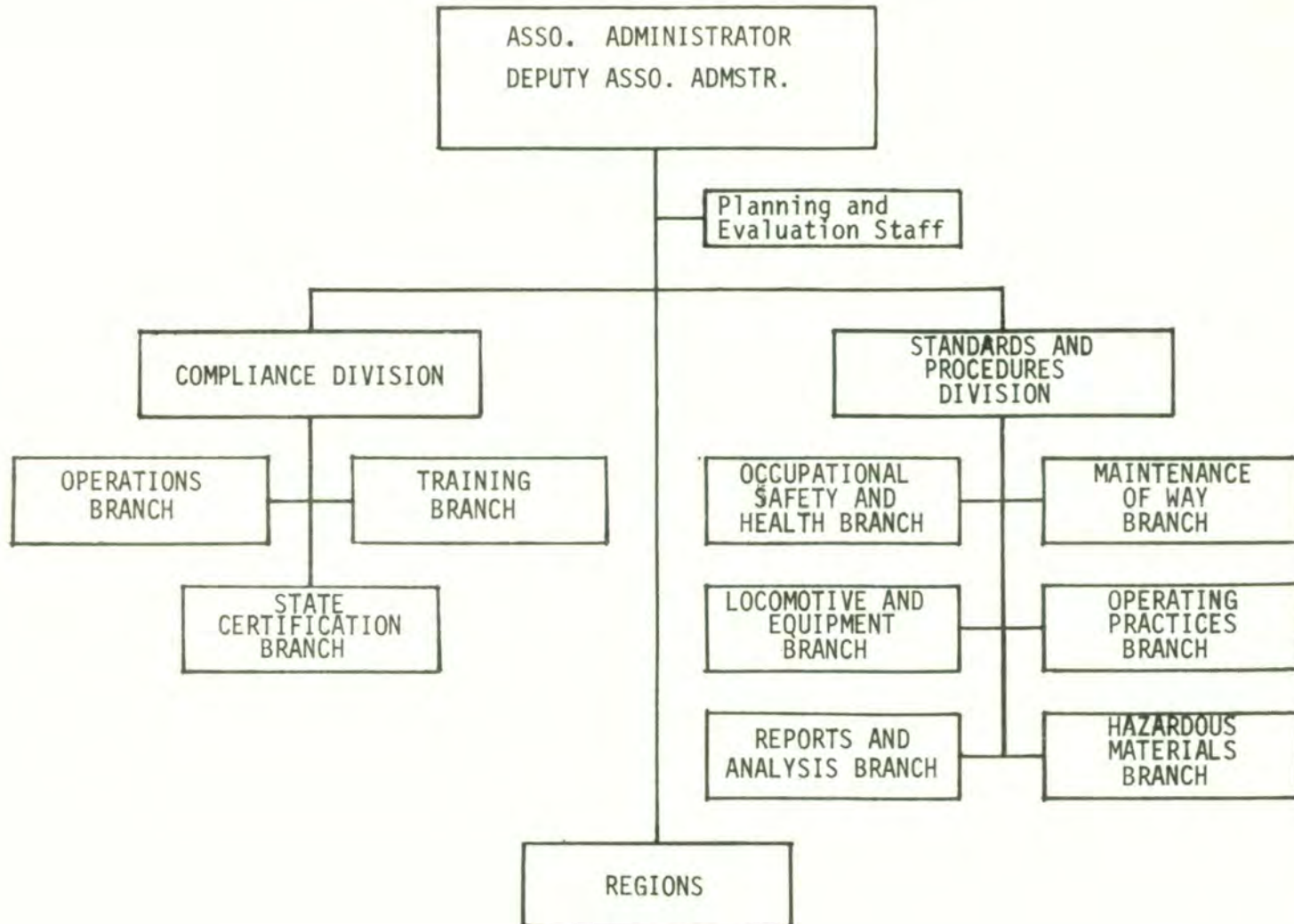
I don't want to impersonalize our relationship -- merely broaden it. We would still like to have your individual input monthly because I know you are all interested in each other and in activities in the field that are important to all of us. Now I want to broaden the scope, broadening our knowledge of one another personally as well as organizationally. Once a month we will include personal items from the field in the newsletter. The other newsletters will let you know what we plan and what we are doing here in Washington.

For this first letter, I want to confine myself to what I feel is the most important event at this time -- the reorganization of the Office of Safety. This reorganization has been implemented to provide for more responsiveness to the mandate we were given from the Congress under the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970. The new structure will enable us to more fully discharge our responsibilities and to move ahead to establish the new programs and standards required under the Act.

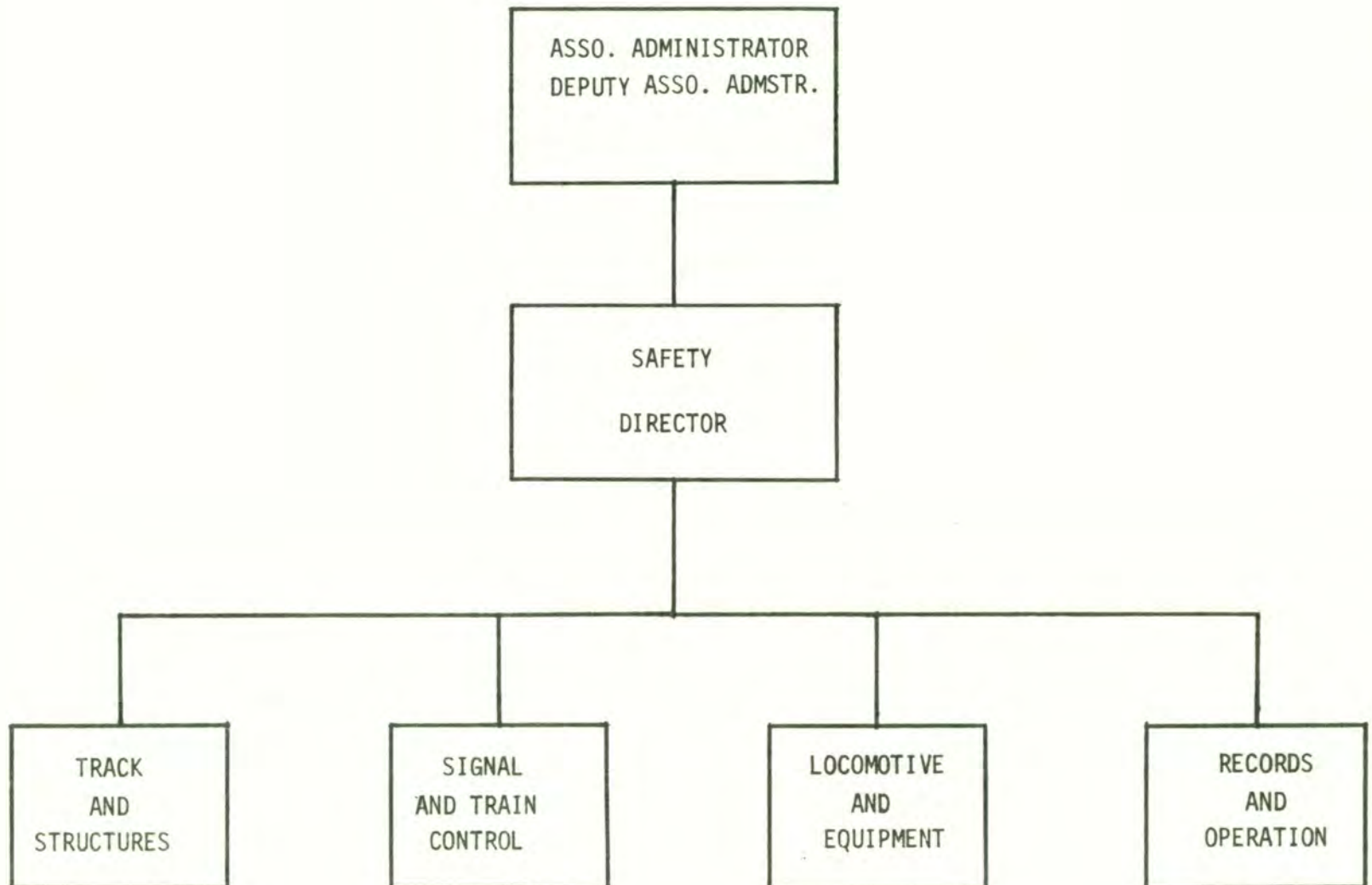


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Training Officer, D. W. Inabinett
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TO ALL FIELD EMPLOYEES

As you will see from this newsletter, we are changing our format as well as the timing. We also intend to change our method of distribution and from now on each of the 51 offices will receive their own copies rather than the former method of sending copies to Regional Headquarters for individual redistribution.

We feel this type of mailing will be faster and will assure each employee of receiving his copy without loss of the timeliness of the content of the newsletter.

I hope you will enjoy the newsletter and we would appreciate any comments you may have as to improvements or areas in which you feel you would like to have more information.