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#### TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICE

## 3. TRS SERVICE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

# 3.1 Relay Operator (RO) Standards (Continued)

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#### 3.1.4 The TRSP has procedures ... (Continued)

f. The RO will retrieve messages from voice processing systems and relay a TTY message to a voice user or a voice message to a TTY user. The TRSP has procedures for handling this requirement, and the procedures shall include methods for obtaining any necessary system access codes from the user and statements regarding confidentiality of that information. Retrieval of messages is considered a TRS function as long as the TRS caller remains on the line during message retrieval.

#### 3.1.5 Handling of Obscenity Directed to the RO

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The RO does not have to tolerate obscenity directed at them. The TRSP has plans that specify how the RO should handle such situations. An acceptable approach can send callers using obscenities directed at the CA to a supervisor who will determine why the caller is using obscenity and explain to the caller that this is inappropriate. As an alternative, the CA can send the abusive caller to a prerecorded announcement stating that it is not permissible to use abusive language to a CA and that when the caller is ready, they can re-dial the Relay to make a call.

### 3.1.6 CA Identification

At the start of a call the RO shall identify himself or herself by a Relay Operator identification number (not by name). The TRSP has a method, which will allow identification of the RO in the event a complaint is filed or a user wants to praise the work of the RO. The term Relay Operator is required for all outbound calls.

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