

September 30, 1998

Robert Cooper, President
Ameritech Michigan
444 Michigan Avenue
Room 1700
Detroit, MI 48226

Dear Mr. Cooper:

On behalf of the Detroit Area Library Network (DALNET) and particularly Wayne State University, I want to thank you for agreeing to participate in the launch of the DALNET/Ameritech partnership on October 21, 1998. Although we hope to have some key civic leaders present for this event, from the outset we believed that the crucial people for the public launching of our partnership and of the Southeast Michigan Information Hub were you and WSU President Irvin Reid.

Given the above, I do especially wish to apologize for the fact that your calendar was apparently not checked much earlier. I don't know what happened. We agreed to get some available dates from President Reid and of those dates we were informed that October 21st was the only date Ameritech officials were available. We assumed you were contacted at that point. We are just so grateful that you will be with us!

Do let me at this point briefly describe what is happening at the event. We are expecting some high level city and state government officials to attend, although we don't have specific commitments at this point. WSU Governmental and Community Affairs Vice President Faye Nelson is formally inviting these officials to attend and coordinating with Ron Reed on your staff who will also encourage their participation. Lead responsibility for getting the press out rests with Rob Lanese in Chicago and is being further supported by WSU staff and other DALNET members.

The event will start in the Bernath Auditorium of the David Adamany Undergraduate Library on the WSU campus at 11:00a.m. There will be a short video about the vision of the Southeast Michigan Information Hub. After the visual presentation, we are asking that President Reid, yourself, a DALNET representative, the Director of the Michigan Small Business Development Center and one or more government officials to give

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remarks regarding the benefits of the DALNET/Ameritech partnership to the citizens of Southeast Michigan. After the remarks, we will have refreshments and a demonstration that will provide insights into the capabilities of the system. By way of further background, I am including a copy of our general invitations to the event.

Please let me know if you would like any additional information and/or an advanced preview of the demonstration that will be available at the signing. In fact, if I can help in any way, please feel welcome to contact me at 313/577-4048. I am looking forward to meeting you; and once again, am very happy you can join in the festivities on October 21st.

Sincerely yours,



Patricia Senn Breivik, Dean
DALNET President

Attachment

Cc: Rob Lanese
Lana Porter
Ron Reed