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Region 10 - KANSAS CITY

A review of Region 10 intelligence files and cooperating individual debriefings relative to amphetamine diversion for the period 1 January, 1974, to the present indicates sporadic availability of legitimately produced amphetamines.

Beginning at the end of 1974, and continuing through the early part of 1975, there was a significant decline in the availability of clandestinely manufactured amphetamines with a corresponding increase in the availability of counterfeit products. As the availability of clandestinely manufactured amphetamines continued to decline, the availability from the alternate sources continued to increase. During June 1975, the availability of amphetamines from legitimate sources significantly increased and then decreased slightly. During July and August of 1975, the availability of diverted drugs continued to increase while availability of both clandestinely manufactured and counterfeit products showed a marked decrease. For the remainder of 1975, and into March of 1976 the availabilities from all three source areas remained at fairly constant levels and proportions. In April, May and June of 1976 the availability of diverted amphetamines from legitimate sources showed a significant rise while amphetamines from clandestinely manufactured sources showed a slight decrease on availability. From July of 1976 to the present the availability