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The programming procedure for setting up an external paging zone in version 2.1 is different than that of version 1.2. The audio output port 360 must now be included as a member in each external page zone in MMC 605. See the new MMC 605 attached. This change was implemented to separate the audio output from the relays. Previously when a relay was assigned to a zone the audio output was automatically included. This meant that the relays on the MISC card could only be used for paging. With the audio output and the relays separated a relay can be assigned to an unused page zone and the zone access code used to control some other device. It should be remembered however that if the All Page code (Page \* or 55\*) or the Page All External code (Page 9 or 559) is dialed then all the relays assigned to zones will operate whether or not they have an audio output associated with them.

**For Example:** A system with a MISC card requires only one external zone with a relay to mute the music input to the amplifier (similar to that shown in Figure 7-2 of the installation manual).

**Release 1.X:** Using release 1 software would have meant that the other three relays on the MISC card could only be used for page zone control. This is because any access to a zone containing one of these relays would have resulted in a relay closure **and** an audio output to the amplifier without the music being muted.

**Release 2.X:** Using release 2 software however, because the audio output is separate from the relays, accessing that zone will cause that relay to close with no audio allowing the relay to be used to operate a door strike or similar contact closure device.

**REMEMBER:** *To hear an audio output during an external page the audio output port (360) must be included as a member of that page zone as well as any of the MISC card relays (361~364) that you need.*