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To: Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLECs)

Subject: CLECs – **REVISED** - Electronic Interface Release 9.0 /Local Number Portability (LNP) Release 6.0 and Associated Downtimes (Originally released December 7, 2000)

Release 9.0 of the electronic interface systems is scheduled for implementation on January 6, 2001. Please be advised that the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI), Local Exchange Navigation System (LENS), and Telecommunications Access Gateway (TAG) will be unavailable for order processing on **Sunday, January 7, 2001, from 1:00 AM EST until 7:00 PM EST**. This is a change from the originally published downtime of Saturday, January 6, 2001, from 12:01 AM EST until 6:00 PM EST.

In conjunction with Release 9.0, LNP, Release 6.0, of the electronic interfaces will be deployed on Sunday, January 7, 2001. Due to this implementation, BellSouth's LNP Gateway will be unavailable to process Local Service Request (LSR) and Number Portability Administration Center (NPAC) messages for users beginning Saturday, January 6, 2001, from 7:00 AM EST until Sunday, January 7, 2001, at 7:00 PM EST.

The scope of this release is outlined below:

ALL Users:

- Electronic Support for Regional Number Pooling will be implemented.
- Ability to perform REQTYP M (Loop/Port Combinations) to REQTYP A (designed/nondesigned loops) migrations with Activity of "V" will be implemented for Telecommunications Industry Forum (TCIF) 9.

LENS Users:

 Increased security standards will be implemented. This will result in user accounts being deleted if they have been inactive for a period of 12 months or longer. In addition, users will be allowed to change their passwords up to twenty (20) days after receiving notification that their current password has expired.

TAG Users:

 TAG Release 2.3 will be implemented. This will be a server and Application Program Interface (API) change. This release also includes a hardware/software upgrade for the Issue 7 platform from UNIX 10.2 to 11.0. Release code, notes, as well as the updated API reference guide will be posted to the Web site on January 6, 2001. If you have any questions please contact your BellSouth account team representative.

Sincerely,

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