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To: Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLECs)

Subject: CLECs – **REVISED** – Digital Subscriber Line (xDSL) Firm Order Capability

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BellSouth is pleased to announce that effective February 12, 2001, xDSL firm order functionality in the Telecommunications Industry Forum (TCIF) 9 Electronic Interface Ordering (EIO) environment will be available to all CLECs by means of Telecommunication Access Gateway (TAG), Local Exchange Navigation System (LENS) and Electronic Data Interchange (EDI). Currently, xDSL firm order functionality is available to Beta Test CLECs only. XDSL firm order functionality includes the following services:

Date of letter	CLECs	Due Date	XDSL firm order capability includes:	Requirements:
1/24/01	All CLECs	2/12/01	 2-wire Asymmetrical Digital Subscriber Line (ADSL) 2- and 4-wire High-Bit Rate Digital Subscriber Line (HDSL) 2- and 4-wire short and long Unbundled Copper Loop (UCL-S, UCL-L) 	Service Readiness Testing, consisting of three (3) production orders, will be required of any CLEC using Local Exchange Navigation System (LENS) or Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Issue 9 to ensure proper use of the xDSL related fields. Some CLECs may also be required to upgrade to another version of BellSouth's Electronic Interfaces software.
2/07/01	AII CLECs	2/12/01	Same as above	Normal certification procedures for TAG users should be followed.

Any CLEC wishing to utilize this functionality must contact their BellSouth account team representative for further details and assistance prior to submitting xDSL orders. The account team will ensure that proper contractual arrangements are in place, coordinate access to the appropriate BellSouth systems, and negotiate testing arrangements when required.

Should you have any questions, please contact your BellSouth account team representative.

Sincerely,

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