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To: Interexchange Carriers (IXCs) and Wireless Carriers

Subject: IXCs and Wireless Carriers – Special Access (SPA) Provisioning Intervals

BellSouth continues to strive to improve its service provisioning intervals. In an effort to continue to decrease provisioning intervals for BellSouth SPA Point-to-Point Network (a.k.a. BellSouth® LightGate® service), the changes described below will be implemented immediately.

It will no longer be necessary to provision additional channelization equipment with any orders for OC3, OC12 and OC48 System Sizes that will deliver DS3s, where there is a higher-level facility in place. These services will be provided directly as an interface, where available, from the higher-level facility. This change will require a smaller footprint in Customer Premises Equipment (CPE) space. In addition, the provisioning interval will be reduced because the equipment order and shipping intervals for multiplexing equipment is generally greater than is the interval for a channel interface. Power consumption in CPE space will also be reduced as a result of this change. Appropriate tariff charges will apply with these orders.

With no additional equipment required, the need for a Designed Layout Record (DLR) is eliminated for the above-mentioned services. Customers will continue to receive the DLR on the DS3s as the DS3s are activated on the existing equipment.

Please contact your BellSouth Account Team Representative with any questions.

Sincerely,

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