

BellSouth Interconnection Services

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To: Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLECs)

Subject: CLECs – Announcement of the BellSouth Loop Qualification System (LQS) DLEC/CLEC

Job Aid, Issue 5, and Reminder to Convert to the new LQS Interface

This is to advise that the BellSouth Loop Qualification System (LQS) DLEC/CLEC Job Aid, Issue 5, will be posted to the BellSouth Interconnection Services' Web site on March 17, 2003.

A clarification has been added to explain the difference between telephone number validation and address validation information. The BellSouth LQS DLEC/CLEC Job Aid, Issue 5, can be found at the BellSouth Interconnection Services' Web site in the CLEC Unbundled Network Element (UNE) Products Section located at:

http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/guides/html/bpobr.html

Also, as a reminder, all CLEC's must convert to the new LQS Application Program Interface (API) and desktop applications by March 21, 2003. With the proper User ID and password, LQS users can download the new v3.0 desktop Graphical User Interface (GUI) application and the necessary technical notes and API java files from the following Web site:

http://lgs.bellsouth.com/

The new LQS application replaces any previous versions of the LQS Telephone Number-based application. Older versions of the LQS API and desktop application will continue to be supported until March 21, 2003. CLEC's connecting to LQS via the Corba API should upgrade to the new API as soon as possible.

Please contact your BellSouth Local Support Manager with any questions.

Sincerely,

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