

BellSouth Interconnection Services

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To: Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLEC), Interexchange Carriers (IXC), Independent

Companies (ICO) and "Meet Point Billed" Commercial Mobile Radio Service (CMRS)

Providers

Subject: CLECs, IXCs, ICOs and CMRS Providers - Implementation of a Query of Last Resort

(QLR) Local Number Portability (LNP) Charge

This is to advise that effective October 1, 2003, BellSouth will implement a change in its Carrier Access Billing System (CABS) involving Exchange Messaging Interface (EMI) 1101XX records to Facility Based CLECs, IXCs, ICOs and "Meet Point Billed" CMRS providers.

In situations where a direct routed call is sent to a BellSouth end office and the terminating number is ported to a Facility-Based CLEC, IXC, ICO or CMRS, and the originating carrier does not query the Local Number Portability (LNP) database to establish the owner of the Location Routing Number (LRN), BellSouth will query the LNP database to determine the owner of the terminating LRN.

BellSouth will bill the originating carrier a QLR charge on the Billing Account Number (BAN) associated with the BellSouth end office. BellSouth will send an EMI 1101XX record to the owner of the terminating LRN, which will identify the originating carrier. This information will enable the terminating carrier to correctly bill the termination charge for the call to the originating carrier.

Please contact your BellSouth Account Team Representative with any questions.

Sincerely,

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