
BellSouth Interconnection Services

675 West Peachtree Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30375

**Carrier Notification
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Date: September 2, 2005

To: All Interconnection Services Customers

Subject: All Interconnection Services Customers – (Billing, Provisioning, Network Operations and Maintenance & Repair) - Force Majeure Condition Notification for the States Impacted by Hurricane Katrina

BellSouth is hereby providing notification that it is invoking the Force Majeure provision of the agreement between BellSouth and your company, including, but not limited to, the Interconnection Agreements (including the Force Majeure provisions contained in BellSouth's Self-Effecting Enforcement Mechanism (SEEM) plans), Commercial Mobile Radio Services (CMRS) Agreements, Commercial Agreements and BellSouth tariffs. BellSouth is taking this action for those areas affected by Hurricane Katrina.

BellSouth has implemented its Disaster Recovery Plan as described in the Disaster Recovery Plan Attachment of the BellSouth Interconnection Agreement. Customers may obtain Hurricane-related information, which will be regularly updated on the BellSouth Interconnection Services Web site at:

<http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/network/disaster/index.html>

Information concerning Mechanized Disaster Reports can also be found at this Web site by clicking on CURRENT MDR REPORTS or by going directly to:

<http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/network/disaster/mdrdocs/index.html>

Until such time that BellSouth is able to determine the extent of Hurricane Katrina's impact on its services and products, billing and credits for services and products will continue in accordance with the applicable contract or tariff between your company and BellSouth. Additional information and instructions will be provided by BellSouth as further details become available and will be communicated via Carrier Notification letters and your account team contact.

We appreciate your cooperation as we work through the issues created by Hurricane Katrina.

Please contact your BellSouth account team representative with any questions.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY KRISTEN E. SHORE

Kristen E. Shore – Director
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