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**Business Markets**

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**Carrier Notification  
SN91086104**

Date: May 18, 2006

To: Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLEC)

Subject: CLECs – (Billing and Interconnection/Contractual) - Revising Rate Reconciliation  
Associated with the Georgia Public Service Commission's Letter Order dated March 2,  
2006, in Docket No. 14361-U

In its Letter Order dated March 2, 2006, in Docket No. 14361-U (Letter Order), the Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) ruled that "BellSouth is entitled to recover the difference between the rates ordered in the first phase of the docket and the rates to be ordered in this second phase of the proceeding for the amount of time that BellSouth charged the prior rates to the competitive carrier..."<sup>1</sup>. Consistent with this Letter Order and the 30-day extension that the Commission granted BellSouth on April 4, 2006, BellSouth, during the last week in April, sent its rate reconciliation calculations to affected CLECs operating in Georgia.

Since that time, BellSouth has discovered errors associated with certain of its reconciliation calculations and is in the process of revising those calculations. The revised calculations will: 1) correct certain Uniform Service Order Code (USOC) quantities associated with Unbundled Network Element-Platform (UNE-P) lines; 2) apply taxes to additional services; and 3) include Daily Usage File (DUF) calculations for impacted CLECs. BellSouth will not place a charge or credit on any CLEC's bill for the amount originally calculated. BellSouth will send a letter to each impacted CLEC advising of the corrected reconciliation amount, and then the applicable charge or credit will be placed on each CLEC's bill.

BellSouth will extend its offer for CLECs to take advantage of a 2% discount off of the total amount due. Such offer, which was relayed to CLECs in the cover letter that accompanied BellSouth's rate reconciliation calculation for each CLEC, will be available for a two-week period after BellSouth provides the revised rate reconciliation calculations to each affected CLEC. Further, BellSouth will not apply any additional interest to the revised calculation if the CLEC owes money to BellSouth as a result of the rate reconciliation. For those CLECs, BellSouth has only applied interest through February 28, 2006. If, however, BellSouth owes the CLEC, BellSouth will continue to apply interest, at a rate of 7%, to the amount owed up to the date that BellSouth applies the credit on the CLEC's bill.

The Commission-ordered 30-day period for CLECs to dispute BellSouth's revised calculations will begin when BellSouth places the charge or credit on the CLEC's bill. If a CLEC chooses to dispute the charge or credit amount, such dispute should be handled in accordance with the billing dispute provisions of the CLEC's Interconnection Agreement with BellSouth, as directed by the Commission in its Letter Order.

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<sup>1</sup> Letter Order, page 3

If you have any questions regarding this Carrier Notification letter, please contact your BellSouth contract negotiator.

Sincerely,

**ORIGINAL SIGNED BY SCOT FERGUSON FOR KRISTEN E. SHORE**

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