

## **BellSouth Interconnection Services**

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**To:** All Interexchange Carriers, Enhanced Service Providers, and Resellers

Subject: Enhancements for the BellSouth SPA Dedicated Ring Product and

SWA Area Commitment Plan

Effective December 2, 1997, BellSouth announces the elimination of upfront nonrecurring charges (NRC) on SPA Dedicated Ring Channel Interfaces purchased under the Transport Payment Plan with a minimum contract period of one year. (If the contracted Channel Interface is disconnected before one year expires, full NRC will apply.) For most channel interfaces, this enhancement did not affect recurring rates; however, for the Customer DS1 and DS1 on 28 Channel System (DS3) nominal recurring rate increases were required. The slight increase is offset by the savings in nonrecurring charges and is a result of FCC cost recovery requirements. Please note there is no change in the ordering process, customers who purchase Channel Interfaces under a month-to-month term plan will not be affected, and embedded service will not be impacted immediately.

Another development released December 2, 1997, is the introduction of a Switched Access Area Commitment Plan similar to the Special Access Area Commitment Plan for switched dedicated transport services. The services included are DS1 and DS3 level, and the plan allows for regional interstate discounts in GA, KY, NC, SC, FL, and TN.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact your account team representative.