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**Carrier Notification
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Date: September 27, 2001
To: All Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLECs)
Subject: CLECs - Directory Assistance Listings

This is to advise that on February 21, 2001, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) published in the *Federal Register* its First Report and Order (FCC 01-27), *Provision of Directory Listing Information under the Telecommunications Act of 1934, As Amended*, in CC Docket No. 99-273, released January 23, 2001.

The FCC stated in its order that a providing-Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) may not restrict the use of directory assistance listing information by a directory assistance provider, provided that the directory assistance provider is:

- a qualifying entity under 47 U.S.C. §251(b)(3), or
- the agent or independent contractor for a qualifying entity under §251(b)(3).

Other portions of the order indicate that use restrictions are valid. As a result, BellSouth has filed with the FCC a *Petition for Clarification or, in the Alternative, Reconsideration*.

Subject to any subsequent decision or order by the FCC, court or applicable state action, BellSouth will not enforce (whether included in a tariff, an interconnection agreement or Statement of Generally Accepted Terms and Conditions) any restrictions on the use of directory assistance listings information for non-directory assistance purposes by any qualifying entity that provides telephone exchange service or telephone toll service under §251(b)(3), or by any directory assistance provider that acts as an agent or an independent contractor for a qualifying entity under §251(b)(3).

Carriers seeking to amend their interconnection agreements may contact their BellSouth negotiator.

Please contact your BellSouth account team manager with any questions.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY JIM BRINKLEY

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