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Date: August 29, 2003

To: Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLEC)

Subject: CLECs – Expiration of Telecommunications Access Gateway (TAG) Application Program Interface (API), Versions 7.6.0.2, 7.6.3 and 7.7.0.2

This is a reminder that effective **September 30, 2003**, BellSouth will retire TAG API Versions 7.6.0.2, 7.6.3, and 7.7.0.2. CLECs were originally advised of the expiration of these TAG API versions in **Carrier Notification Letter SN91082970** dated April 8, 2002. The latest revision to this letter was posted on March 28, 2003.

All CLECs utilizing these APIs must migrate to TAG Extensible Markup Language (XML) Schema Specifications or to one of the alternate ordering interfaces offered by BellSouth. Migration off of these APIs must be completed by **September 30, 2003**. As advised previously in **Carrier Notification Letter SN91083511**, dated December 12, 2002, migrations will not be permitted from one version TAG API to another version of TAG API.

CLECs migrating to TAG XML must migrate to the latest TAG XML Schema Specifications available at the time of migration. The latest TAG XML Schema Specifications can be found at the BellSouth TAG Secure Web site.

BellSouth will maintain the order notification flow for orders submitted via TAG APIs 7.6.0.2, 7.6.3, and 7.7.0.2 until midnight on **October 30, 2003**. CLECs may continue to retrieve these notifications until that time.

Please contact your BellSouth Electronic Commerce Account Team or Software Vendor Process Team Representative to schedule migrations or if you have any questions concerning this expiration.

Sincerely,

**ORIGINALS SIGNED BY JERRY HENDRIX**

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