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**BellSouth Interconnection Services**

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Atlanta, Georgia 30375

**Carrier Notification  
SN91083860**

Date: October 16, 2003

To: Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLEC)

Subject: CLECs – (Billing) - Updates to the BellSouth Magnetic Tape Bill Format Specifications

This is to advise that BellSouth has updated its Magnetic Tape Bill Format Specifications. A listing of the changes to the specifications, with the respective effective dates, is attached. The information contained in this document may require that changes be made to your company's programs that process BellSouth Magnetic Tape Bill Format billing data.

Please forward this letter and attachment to those individuals responsible for making such changes to your company's system(s). These updates will enable your company to continue to successfully process BellSouth Magnetic Tape Bill Format billing data.

If your company would like for BellSouth to send future notifications directly to the individual(s) responsible for this type of programming, please contact Deborah Strickland, Product Support for Magnetic Tape Bill Format, at 205-321-3900 or e-mail, [Deborah.Strickland@bellsouth.com](mailto:Deborah.Strickland@bellsouth.com).

Please contact Deborah Strickland with any questions you may have concerning these updates.

Sincerely,

**ORIGINAL SIGNED BY JERRY HENDRIX**

Jerry Hendrix – Assistant Vice President  
BellSouth Interconnection Services

Attachment



**OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION**

**OF**

**CHANGES**

**TO THE**

**BELLSOUTH**

**MAGNETIC TAPE**

**BILL FORMAT**

**SPECIFICATIONS**

**Version 2003.2**

**October 2003**

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**This is the only copy that will be provided to your company with notification of changes to the BellSouth Magnetic Tape Bill Format Specifications.**

**The information attached hereto may require changes be made to your company's programs that process BellSouth Magnetic Tape Bill Format data.**

If you are not the person or persons responsible for making those program changes, please pass this document or a copy of this document on to those responsible for making changes. This will ensure that your company experiences continued success in processing its BellSouth Magnetic Tape Bill Format data.

If you are not the person responsible for handling these programming changes, and would like BellSouth to send future notifications directly to that person, please contact Debbie Strickland, Product Support for Magnetic Tape Bill Format at 205-321-3900 or email, [Deborah.Strickland@bellsouth.com](mailto:Deborah.Strickland@bellsouth.com)

**The most current version of Magnetic Tape Bill Format Specifications is available via the BellSouth Internet. Please use the following URL address and procedures for downloading:**

[www.bellsouth.com/ebs/index.html](http://www.bellsouth.com/ebs/index.html)

**Click on User Guide**

**A drop down box will appear**

**Select Product-Magnetic Tape Bill Format**

**Click on Technical Specifications-Download Icon**

## **Change 1**

**Description of Change-** New sourcing rules in Change 2 below.

**Effective Date-** December 14, 2003

**Record(s) Impacted-** CAP  
Primary 60  
Sub record 30

**Field Impacted-** CAP-Overflow Indicator, position 58  
Sub Record 30-Tax Data-if over 7 occurrences  
an additional sub record 30 will be created  
(see CAP overflow indicator)

**New Charge Code-** 1227-State/Local Combined Tax

## **CHANGE 2**

**Description of Change-** New sourcing rules for calling card, credit card, and third number messages will be based upon the NPA/NXX for the originating telephone number.  
“Sourcing” is the determination of the jurisdiction within which a transaction is considered to take place for tax purposes.

**Effective Date-** December 21, 2003

**Record(s) Impacted-** Primary 25

**Field Impacted-** Tax State Code  
**Field Position-** 180-181

**Field Impacted-** Local Use  
**Field Position-** 420-434

**Other Valuable Information-** The Tax State Code will only be associated with Tax Charge Codes in the 1200 series. State abbreviations can be found in section 7.08