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**BellSouth Interconnection Services**

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**Carrier Notification  
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Date: December 23, 2003

To: All Telecommunications Carriers

Subject: All Telecommunications Carriers – (Billing) - Billing Option Change to a Multiple Bill Arrangement for NTCH, Inc in the states of Alabama and Tennessee.

This is to advise of a new billing arrangement being implemented between BellSouth and NTCH, Inc, NTCH-ET, Inc, NTCH-WEST Tennessee, Inc, and GLH Communications Inc, all d/b/a Clear Talk in the states of Alabama and Tennessee. This new arrangement is known as multiple billing and is associated with Tandem Level Type 2A and Type 2D Wireless Interconnections.

Multiple billing occurs when subscribers of one telecommunications carrier, either a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC), Commercial Mobile Radio Service (CMRS) Provider, Independent Company (ICO) or Interexchange Carrier (IXC), terminate traffic to subscribers of another telecommunications carrier through a third telecommunications carrier's network. In this environment, each telecommunications carrier may bill the Originating Carrier for its portion of the telecommunications services (multiple bill) to terminate the call. The Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing (MECAB) document, prepared by the Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF), establishes the guidelines for billing when multiple telecommunications carriers are involved in providing telecommunications service.

Effective with switched access usage and/or telecommunications traffic generated beginning March 5, 2004, the billing option for NTCH, Inc, NTCH-ET, Inc, NTCH-WEST Tennessee, Inc, and GLH Communications Inc, all d/b/a Clear Talk in the states of Alabama and Tennessee will be changed to a multiple bill arrangement.

Please contact your BellSouth Account Team Representative with any questions.

Sincerely,

**ORIGINAL SIGNED BY PAM TIPTON FOR JERRY HENDRIX**

Jerry Hendrix – Assistant Vice President  
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