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**BellSouth Business Markets**

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**Carrier Notification  
SN91086217**

Date: September 22, 2006

To: Facility-based Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLEC)

Subject: Facility-based CLECs – (Billing and Interconnection/Contractual) – Implementing the Billing Transition Rates for De-listed Embedded Base High Capacity Loop and Transport Unbundled Network Elements in the States of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina

This is to advise that, beginning with the October 16, 2006 through November 13, 2006 bill periods, BellSouth will begin retroactively billing CLECs with Triennial Review Remand Order (TRRO) compliant Interconnection Agreement transition rates for de-listed embedded base High Capacity Loop and Transport services as authorized by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in the TRRO. BellSouth will bill the difference between the Unbundled Network Element (UNE) rate billed for that element from March 11, 2005 through March 10, 2006, and the higher of either 115% of the rate the CLEC paid for the element on June 15, 2004 (such rates having been amended in Georgia through Letter Order dated March 2, 2006) or 115% of the rate the state commission established for that element between June 16, 2004 and March 11, 2005, or as otherwise set forth in the Interconnection Agreement.

The transition period for all de-listed embedded base High Capacity Loop and Transport UNEs, with the exception of de-listed Dark Fiber UNEs, is the twelve month period from March 11, 2005 through March 10, 2006. The transition period for de-listed Dark Fiber Transport and Dark Fiber Loops is the eighteen (18) month period from March 11, 2005 to September 10, 2006. At this billing iteration, BellSouth will bill twelve (12) months out of the eighteen (18) months transition period for Dark Fiber Transport and Dark Fiber Loops. BellSouth will bill for the final six months of the Dark Fiber Transport and Dark Fiber Loop transition in a subsequent billing.

The UNEs impacted by this transition rate billing initiative are listed below:

1. UNE Local Channels (entrance facilities)
2. UNE Dark Fiber Loops
3. UNE DS1 Dedicated Transport circuits on routes that are non-impaired
4. UNE DS3 Dedicated Transport circuits on routes that are non-impaired
5. UNE Dark Fiber Dedicated Transport on routes that are non-impaired
6. UNE DS1 Local Loops in non-impaired central offices
7. UNE DS3 Local Loops in non-impaired central offices
8. Thresholds on a per CLEC basis –
  - a. UNE DS1 Local Loops in impaired central offices in excess of ten (10) per building
  - b. UNE DS3 Local Loop in impaired central offices in excess of one (1) per building
  - c. UNE DS1 Dedicated Transport in excess of ten (10) per impaired route
  - d. UNE DS3 Dedicated Transport in excess of twelve (12) per impaired route

Supporting documentation and CLEC specific detailed data will be mailed to each impacted CLEC.

If you have any questions regarding this Carrier Notification letter, please contact your BellSouth local contract manager. If you have any questions regarding billing, please contact the BellSouth Billing and Collections representative.

Sincerely,

**ORIGINAL SIGNED BY JIM TAMPLIN FOR KRISTEN E. SHORE**

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