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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW, Room 222
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Re: CC Docket No. 98-121

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Ms. Salas:

This is to inform you that Randy New, William Stacy, William Norton, and the undersigned, all of BellSouth Corporation, participated in a videoconference with Commission staff on August 25, 1998. Austin Schlick of Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd & Evans participated by telephone in the meeting. The following Common Carrier Bureau staff members attended some or all of this conference: Bill Bailey; Neil Fried; Jake Jennings; Andrea Kearney; Claudia Pabo; and Alan Thomas.

To receive authority to provide in-region, interLATA services to customers in Louisiana, BellSouth must show its compliance with the checklist requirements of Section 271 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. In particular, BellSouth must demonstrate that it is offering to competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs) nondiscriminatory access to its operating support systems (OSS). Its OSS interfaces are the mechanisms through which BellSouth gives CLECs such access. During the videoconference the participants discussed issues related to the operation, capacities, and evolution of the OSS interfaces that BellSouth makes available to CLECs operating in its region. In particular, William Stacy described the changes made to the BellSouth interfaces during the past year, the capabilities of BellSouth's common gateway interface, or CGI, the data BellSouth used to calculate order flow-through rate, how the recently instituted change control process works, and what interface changes it governs.

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As required by Section 1.1206(a)(2) of the Commission's rules, we are filing two copies of this notice and ask that you associate this notification with the proceeding identified above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen B. Levitz".

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cc: William Bailey Neil Fried Jake Jennings
Andrea Kearney Claudia Pabo Alan Thomas