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Re: CC Docket No. 02-35

Dear Mr. Caton:

The attached letter is being provided to the Commission today in response to a request from the staff. I am filing two copies of this letter and attachment in the docket identified above, as required by Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules. Please associate this notice with the record of that proceeding.

Please let me know if you have further questions.

Sincerely,



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**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY  
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Re: *BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Entry into InterLATA Services Pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; Docket No. 6863-U*

*BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Revised Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions Under Section 252(f) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; Docket No. 7253-U*

*Investigation into Development of Electronic Interfaces for BellSouth Operational Support Systems; Docket No. 8354-U*

Dear Mr. McAlister:

This letter is to advise the Commission of the status of the efforts of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") to comply with the Commission's October 19, 2001 Order in the above-referenced dockets which required that BellSouth "implement by January 5, 2002, a 'C' order by which N and D orders complete together in sequence to prevent loss of dial tone."

On March 24, 2002, BellSouth implemented Release 10.4, which included the single "C" ordering process. All release functions for the single "C" process were successfully tested and performed as specified. As a result, BellSouth is in full compliance with the Commission's October 19, 2001 Order as it relates to implementation of the single "C" order process. However, because BellSouth did not meet the Commission's January 5, 2002 deadline, which BellSouth previously advised the Commission could not be met, BellSouth recognizes that it is subject to a fine of \$770,000 under the Commission's Order and is making arrangements to pay this amount to the State of Georgia.

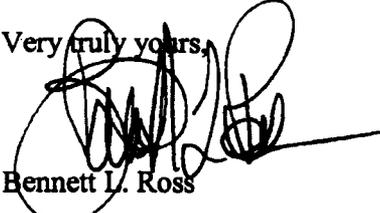
BellSouth also wanted to provide the Commission with a status report on the parsed CSR functionality that BellSouth successfully implemented on January 5, 2002. As BellSouth

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explained in the affidavit of William Stacy filed on February 25, 2002 in Docket 6863-U, BellSouth had identified 23 low-impact defects associated with the parsed CSR functionality, which are defined under the Change Control Process as causing inconvenience or annoyance. As Mr. Stacy explained in his affidavit, sixteen of the 23 outstanding defects were corrected as of February 4, 2002. The remaining 7 low-impact defects were corrected on March 24, 2002, with the implementation of Release 10.4.

Release 10.4 also implemented certain enhancements to the CSR functionality BellSouth deployed on January 5, 2002. As explained in Mr. Stacy's affidavit, BellSouth was not able to provide all the fields in a parsed format – that is, extract information directly from the Customer Service Record (“CSR”) in response to a pre-order query and return it in industry-standard format. BellSouth has continued to investigate ways to translate information from the CSR, particularly with respect to the hunting fields, which could then be translated into industry-standard format and provide to the CLECs. With the implementation of Release 10.4 on March 24, 2002, BellSouth successfully implemented the translations necessary to provide the following additional fields in a parsed format: HNTYP (Hunting Type Group); HTSEQ (Hunting Sequence); NOTYP (Number Type); TLI (Telephone Line Identifier); and HT (Hunting Telephone Number).

Enclosed for filing please find eighteen (18) copies of this letter, and I would appreciate your returning three (3) extra copies stamped “filed” in the enclosed self-addressed and stamped envelopes.

Very truly yours,  
  
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