

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
SUPPLEMENTAL DIRECT TESTIMONY OF ALPHONSO J. VARNER
BEFORE THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
CASE NO. 2001-105
NOVEMBER 13, 2001

Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, YOUR POSITION WITH BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. ("BELLSOUTH") AND YOUR BUSINESS ADDRESS.

A. My name is Alphonso J. Varner. I am employed by BellSouth as Senior Director in Interconnection Services. My business address is 675 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30375.

Q. ARE YOU THE SAME ALPHONSO J. VARNER WHO FILED DIRECT TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?

A. Yes, I am.

Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL TESTIMONY?

A. The purpose of my supplemental testimony is to provide data specific to BellSouth's operations in Kentucky in the FCC format in this proceeding.

As stated in my direct testimony filed with this Commission on May 18, 2001, this filing reflects performance for the month of September 2001. Supplemental Exhibit AJV-6 and Attachments 1D through 3D that accompany this filing describe the data and explain the conclusions that can be drawn from it.

Q. CAN YOU SUMMARIZE THE KENTUCKY DATA?

A. Certainly. As discussed in my Exhibit, in July 2001, BellSouth met or exceeded the criteria for 424 of the 488 sub-metrics (87%) for which there was CLEC activity. BellSouth met or exceeded the benchmarks/retail analogues for 440 of 513 (86%) sub-metrics in August 2001. In September 2001, BellSouth met or exceeded the criteria for 519 of the 574 sub-metrics (90%) for which there was CLEC activity. For those measures that BellSouth did not meet benchmarks or retail analogue comparisons, my Exhibit demonstrates that there are no systemic performance problems.

During the three-month period, July through September 2001, there were a total of 437 sub-metrics that had CLEC activity for all three months and that were compared with either a benchmark or retail analogue. Of these 437 sub-metrics, 388 sub-metrics (89%) satisfied the comparison criteria during at least two of the three months.

Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?

A. Yes.