

December 15, 2003

Dorothy J. Chambers
General Counsel
BellSouth Telecommunications Inc.
601 W. Chestnut Street, Room 407
Louisville, KY 40203

RE: Review of the Federal Communications Commission's Triennial Review
Order Regarding Unbundling Requirements for Individual Network
Elements
Case No. 2003-00379

Dear Ms. Chambers:

Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company ("CBT") hereby advises BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") that it does not intend to respond to the individual interrogatories and request for production of documents as set forth in BellSouth's Second Set of Interrogatories and Second Request for Production of Documents served November 24, 2003. CBT notes that the interrogatories and requests for production of documents appear to be intended for competitive local exchange carriers and providers of wholesale telecommunications facilities offering service within BellSouth's operating area. CBT points out that it does not provide competitive local exchange service and has not deployed either loop or transport facilities outside of its traditional operating area. In its capacity as an incumbent local exchange carrier, however, CBT acknowledges that it provides transport and loop facilities within its traditional operating area as a retail provider and on a wholesale basis. For these reasons, CBT does not believe that the information sought from CBT with respect to its traditional operating area is relevant to the Commission's impairment analysis with respect to BellSouth's operating area.

If you have any questions about this matter, please do not hesitate to call me at (513) 397-7260.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jouett Kinney
Jouett Kinney

cc: Mr. Thomas M. Dorman
Ms. Amy Dougherty