

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION OF BELLSOUTH)	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.)	
TO ESTABLISH GENERIC DOCKET)	CASE NO. 2004-00427
TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO)	
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS)	
RESULTING FROM CHANGES OF LAW)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S NOTICE
OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

On November 1, 2004, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") filed a petition requesting that the Commission establish a generic docket to consider amendments to interconnection agreements resulting from changes of law. On November 9, 2004, BellSouth submitted a certificate of service certifying that affected competitive local exchange carriers ("CLECs") had been served with the petition. The Commission thereafter established procedures for electronic filing in this matter.

On February 28, 2005, Cinergy Communications Corp. ("Cinergy") filed a complaint and motion for an emergency Order preserving status quo. On March 10, 2005, after reviewing Cinergy's complaint and BellSouth's response thereto, the Commission ordered BellSouth to follow its contractual obligation to negotiate the effect of changes of law on its interconnection agreements regarding the discontinuation of unbundled network elements. By that same Order, the Commission required parties to apprise the Commission by no later than April 15, 2005 of the status of their ongoing negotiations.

On March 15, 2005, BellSouth submitted a carrier notification letter (SN91085061) which it had referenced in its response to Cinergy's complaint. Given the pending nature of these negotiations, the Commission Staff hereby schedules an informal conference for May 3, 2005, beginning at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Conference Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky.¹

The purpose of this conference is to discuss the status of all relevant negotiations and monitor the changes necessary to interconnection agreements. Particularly, the parties should be prepared to discuss their efforts to negotiate issues surrounding their interconnection agreements and the possibility of settlement. Questions regarding the informal conference may be addressed to Amy Dougherty at 502/564-3940 or AmyE.Dougherty@ky.gov.



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cc: Parties of Record

¹ The Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") has specifically found that "the incumbent LEC and competitive LEC must negotiate in good faith regarding any rates, terms, and conditions necessary to implement our [FCC] rule changes. We expect that parties to the negotiating process will not unreasonably delay implementation of the conclusions adopted in this Order. We encourage the state commissions to monitor this area closely to ensure that parties do not engage in unnecessary delay." (Triennial Review Remand Order, Unbundled Access to Network Elements, Review of the Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier, FCC 04-290 (rel. Feb. 4, 2005) at ¶ 233).