

By and Between
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
And

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BY SECRETARY
SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION

**BELLSOUTH
REMOTE SITE COLLOCATION
MASTER AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT, made this _____ day of _____, 20____, by and between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth") a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia, and _____, ("CLEC-1") a (corporation) organized and existing under the laws of _____;

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, CLEC-1 is a telecommunications carrier and wishes to occupy BellSouth Remote Site Collocation Space as defined herein for the purpose of interconnection to BellSouth's facilities;

WHEREAS, BellSouth has space available in its Remote Site(s) which CLEC-1 desires to utilize; and

WHEREAS, BellSouth is willing to make such space available to CLEC-1 within its Remote Site(s) subject to all terms and conditions of this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Scope of Agreement

- 1.1 Scope of Agreement. The terms and conditions contained within this Agreement and the rates included in Attachment A to the SGAT shall only apply when CLEC-1 is occupying the Remote Collocation Space as a sole occupant or as a Host within a Remote Site Location.
- 1.2 Right to occupy. BellSouth shall offer to CLEC-1 Remote Site Collocation on rates, terms, and conditions that are just, reasonable, non-discriminatory and consistent with the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"). Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and the rates contained in Attachment A to the SGAT, BellSouth hereby grants to CLEC-1 a right to occupy that certain area designated by BellSouth within a BellSouth Remote Site Location, of a size which is specified by CLEC-1 and agreed to by BellSouth (hereinafter "Remote Collocation Space"). BellSouth Remote Site Locations include cabinets, huts, and controlled environmental vaults owned or leased by BellSouth that house BellSouth Network Facilities. To the extent this Agreement and Attachment A to the SGAT do not include all the necessary terms and conditions for BellSouth remote locations other than

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cabinets, huts and controlled environmental vaults, the Parties will negotiate said rates, terms, and conditions at the request for collocation at BellSouth remote locations other than those specified above.

- 1.2.1 The number of racks/bays specified by CLEC-1 may contemplate a request for space sufficient to accommodate CLEC-1's growth within a two-year period.
- 1.2.2 Neither BellSouth nor any of BellSouth's affiliates may reserve space for future use on more preferential terms than those set forth above.
- 1.3 Third Party Property. If the Premises, or the property on which it is located, is leased by BellSouth from a Third Party or otherwise controlled by a Third Party, special considerations and intervals may apply in addition to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Additionally, where BellSouth notifies CLEC-1 that BellSouth's agreement with a Third Party does not grant BellSouth the ability to provide access and use rights to others, upon CLEC-1's request, BellSouth will use its best efforts to obtain the owner's consent and to otherwise secure such rights for CLEC-1. CLEC-1 agrees to reimburse BellSouth for the reasonable and demonstrable costs incurred by BellSouth in obtaining such rights for CLEC-1. In cases where a Third Party agreement does not grant BellSouth the right to provide access and use rights to others as contemplated by this Agreement and BellSouth, despite its best efforts, is unable to secure such access and use rights for CLEC-1 as above, CLEC-1 shall be responsible for obtaining such permission to access and use such property. BellSouth shall cooperate with CLEC-1 in obtaining such permission.
- 1.4 Space Reclamation. In the event of space exhaust within a Remote Site Location, BellSouth may include in its documentation for the Petition for Waiver filing any vacant space in the Remote Site Location. CLEC-1 will be responsible for any justification of vacant space within its Remote Collocation Space, if such justification is required by the appropriate state commission.
- 1.5 Use of Space. CLEC-1 shall use the Remote Collocation Space for the purposes of installing, maintaining and operating CLEC-1's equipment (to include testing and monitoring equipment) necessary, for interconnection with BellSouth services and facilities, including access to unbundled network elements, for the provision of telecommunications services. The Remote Collocation Space may be used for no other purposes except as specifically described herein or authorized in writing by BellSouth.
- 1.6 Rates and charges. CLEC-1 agrees to pay the rates and charges identified in Attachment A to the SGAT.

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- 1.7 **Due Dates.** If any due date contained in this Agreement falls on a weekend or holiday, then the due date will be the next business day thereafter.
2. **Space Availability Report**
- 2.1 **Reporting.** Upon request from CLEC-1, BellSouth will provide a written report ("Space Availability Report") specifying the amount of Remote Collocation Space available at the Remote Site Location requested, the number of collocators present at the Remote Site Location, any modifications in the use of the space since the last report on the Remote Site Location requested and the measures BellSouth is taking to make additional space available for collocation arrangements.
- 2.1.1 The request from CLEC-1 for a Space Availability Report must be written and must include the Common Language Location Identification ("CLLI") code for both the Remote Site Location and the serving central office. Such information regarding the CLLI code for the serving central offices located in the National Exchange Carriers Association (NECA) Tariff FCC No. 4. If CLEC-1 is unable to obtain the CLLI code, from for example a site visit to the remote site, CLEC-1 may request the CLLI code from BellSouth. To obtain a CLLI code for a remote site directly from BellSouth, CLEC-1 should submit to BellSouth a Remote Site Interconnection Request for Remote Site CLLI Code prior to submitting its request for a Space Availability Report. CLEC-1 should complete all the requested information and submit the Request with the applicable fee to BellSouth.
- 2.1.2 BellSouth will respond to a request for a Space Availability Report for a particular Remote Site Location within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of such request. This interval excludes national holidays. BellSouth will make best efforts to respond in ten (10) calendar days to such a request when the request includes from two (2) to five (5) Remote Site Locations within the same state. The response time for requests of more than five (5) Remote Site Locations shall be negotiated between the Parties. If BellSouth cannot meet the ten calendar day response time, BellSouth shall notify CLEC-1 and inform CLEC-1 of the time frame under which it can respond.
3. **Collocation Options**
- 3.1 **Compliance.** The parties agree to comply with all applicable federal, state, county, local and administrative laws, orders, rules, ordinances, regulations, and codes in the performance of their obligations hereunder.
- 3.2 **Cageless.** BellSouth shall allow CLEC-1 to collocate CLEC-1's equipment and facilities without requiring the construction of a cage or similar structure.

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BellSouth shall allow CLEC-1 to have direct access to its equipment and facilities. BellSouth shall make cageless collocation available in single rack/bay increments. For equipment requiring special technical considerations, CLEC-1 must provide the equipment layout, including spatial dimensions for such equipment pursuant to generic requirements contained in BellCore (Telcordia) GR-63-Core and shall be responsible for constructing all special technical requirements associated with such equipment pursuant to Section 7.5 following. Subject to space availability and technical feasibility, at CLEC-1's option, CLEC-1 may enclose its equipment.

- 3.3 Shared (Subleased) Collocation. CLEC-1 may allow other telecommunications carriers to share CLEC-1's Remote Collocation Space pursuant to terms and conditions agreed to by CLEC-1 ("Host") and other telecommunications carriers ("Guests") and pursuant to this section, except where the BellSouth Remote Site Location is located within a leased space and BellSouth is prohibited by said lease from offering such an option or is located on property for which BellSouth holds an easement and such easement does not permit such an option. CLEC-1 shall notify BellSouth in writing upon execution of any agreement between the Host and its Guest within ten (10) calendar days of its execution and prior to any Firm Order. Further, such notice shall include the name of the Guest(s) and the term of the agreement, and shall contain a certification by CLEC-1 that said agreement imposes upon the Guest(s) the same terms and conditions for Remote Collocation Space as set forth in this Agreement between BellSouth and CLEC-1.
- 3.3.1 CLEC-1 shall be the sole interface and responsible Party to BellSouth for assessment of rates and charges contained within Attachment A to the SGAT; and for the purposes of ensuring that the safety and security requirements of this Agreement are fully complied with by the Guest, its employees and agents. BellSouth shall provide CLEC-1 with a proration of the costs of the collocation space based on the number of collocators and the space used by each. In addition to the foregoing, CLEC-1 shall be the responsible party to BellSouth for the purpose of submitting Applications for initial and additional equipment placement of Guest. In the event the Host and Guest jointly submit an Application, only one Application Fee will be assessed. A separate Guest Application shall require the assessment of an Application Fee, as set forth in Attachment A to the SGAT. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Guest may arrange directly with BellSouth for the provision of the interconnecting facilities between BellSouth and Guest and for the provision of the services and access to unbundled network elements.
- 3.3.2 CLEC-1 shall indemnify and hold harmless BellSouth from any and all claims, actions, causes of action, of whatever kind or nature arising out of the presence of CLEC-1's Guests in the Remote Collocation Space except to the

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extent caused by BellSouth's sole negligence, gross negligence, or willful misconduct.

- 3.4 Adjacent Collocation. Subject to technical feasibility and space availability, BellSouth will provide approval for adjacent Remote Site collocation arrangements ("Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement") where space within the Remote Site Location is legitimately exhausted, where the Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement does not interfere with access to existing or planned structures or facilities on the Remote Site Location property. The Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement shall be constructed or procured by CLEC-1 and in conformance with BellSouth's design and construction specifications. Further, CLEC-1 shall construct, procure, maintain and operate said Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement(s) pursuant to all of the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. Rates shall be negotiated at the time of the request for the Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement.
- 3.4.1 Should CLEC-1 elect such an option, CLEC-1 must arrange with a BellSouth Certified Contractor to construct a Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement structure in accordance with BellSouth's guidelines and specifications. BellSouth will provide guidelines and specifications upon request. Where local building codes require enclosure specifications more stringent than BellSouth's standard specification, CLEC-1 and CLEC-1's BellSouth Certified Contractor must comply with local building code requirements. CLEC-1's BellSouth Certified Contractor shall be responsible for filing and receiving any and all necessary zoning, permits and/or licenses for such construction. CLEC-1's BellSouth Certified Contractor shall bill CLEC-1 directly for all work performed for CLEC-1 pursuant to this Agreement and BellSouth shall have no liability for nor responsibility to pay such charges imposed by the BellSouth Certified Contractor. CLEC-1 must provide the local BellSouth Remote Site Location contact with two cards, keys or other access device used to enter the locked enclosure. Except in cases of emergency, BellSouth shall not access CLEC-1's locked enclosure prior to notifying CLEC-1.
- 3.4.2 BellSouth maintains the right to review CLEC-1's plans and specifications prior to construction of a Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement(s). BellSouth shall complete its review within fifteen (15) calendar days. BellSouth may inspect the Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement(s) following construction and prior to the equipment becoming operational, to ensure the design and construction comply with BellSouth's guidelines and specifications. BellSouth may require CLEC-1, at CLEC-1's sole cost, to correct any deviations from BellSouth's guidelines and specifications found during such inspection(s), up to and including removal of the Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement(s) within seven (7) calendar days of BellSouth's inspection, unless the Parties mutually agree to an alternative time frame.

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- 3.4.3 CLEC-1 shall provide a concrete pad, the structure housing the arrangement, heating/ventilation/air conditioning ("HVAC"), lighting, and all facilities that connect the structure (i.e. racking, conduits, etc.) to the BellSouth point of demarcation. At CLEC-1's option, and where the local authority having jurisdiction permits, BellSouth shall provide an AC power source and access to physical collocation services and facilities subject to the same nondiscriminatory requirements as applicable to any other physical collocation arrangement. CLEC-1's BellSouth Certified Contractor shall be responsible, at CLEC's expense, for filing and receiving any and all necessary zoning, permits and/or licenses for such arrangement.
- 3.4.4 BellSouth shall allow Shared (Subleased) Collocation within a Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth herein.

4 Occupancy

- 4.1 Occupancy. BellSouth will notify CLEC-1 in writing that the Remote Collocation Space is ready for occupancy. CLEC-1 must notify BellSouth in writing that collocation equipment installation is complete. BellSouth may, at its option, not accept orders for interconnected service until receipt of such notice.
- 4.2 Termination of Occupancy. In addition to any other provisions addressing termination of occupancy in this Agreement, CLEC-1 may terminate occupancy in a particular Remote Site Location by submitting a Subsequent Application requesting termination of occupancy. A Subsequent Application Fee will not apply for termination of occupancy.
 - 4.2.1 Upon termination of occupancy, CLEC-1 at its expense shall remove its equipment and other property from the Remote Collocation Space. CLEC-1 shall have thirty (30) calendar days from the termination date to complete such removal, including the removal of all equipment and facilities of CLEC-1's Guests, unless CLEC's Guest has assumed responsibility for the collocation space housing the Guest's equipment and executed the documentation required by BellSouth prior to such removal date; provided, however, that CLEC-1 shall continue payment of monthly fees to BellSouth until such date as CLEC-1, and if applicable CLEC-1's Guest, has fully vacated the Remote Collocation Space. Should CLEC-1 or CLEC-1's Guest fail to vacate the Remote Collocation Space within thirty (30) calendar days from the termination date, BellSouth shall have the right to remove the equipment and other property of CLEC-1 or CLEC-1's Guest at CLEC-1's expense and with no liability for damage or injury to CLEC-1 or CLEC-1's Guest's property unless caused by the gross negligence or intentional misconduct of BellSouth. Upon termination of occupancy with respect to a

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Remote Collocation Space, CLEC-1 shall surrender such Remote Collocation Space to BellSouth in the same condition as when first occupied by the CLEC-1 except for ordinary wear and tear unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties. CLEC-1 shall be responsible for the cost of removing any enclosure, together with all support structures (e.g., racking, conduits), of a Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement at the termination of occupancy and restoring the grounds to their original condition.

5 Use of Remote Collocation Space

5.1 Equipment Type. BellSouth permits the collocation of any type of equipment necessary for interconnection to BellSouth's network or for access to unbundled network elements in the provision of telecommunications services.

5.1.1 Such equipment must at a minimum meet the following BellCore (Telcordia) Network Equipment Building Systems (NEBS) General Equipment Requirements: Criteria Level 3 requirements as outlined in the BellCore (Telcordia) Special Report SR-3580, Issue 1; equipment design spatial requirements per GR-63-CORE, Section 2; thermal heat dissipation per GR-063-CORE, Section 4, Criteria 77-79; acoustic noise per GR-063-CORE, Section 4, Criterion 128, and National Electric Code standards. Except where otherwise required by a Commission, BellSouth shall comply with the applicable FCC rules relating to denial of collocation based on CLEC-1's failure to comply with these requirements.

5.1.2 CLEC-1 shall not use the Remote Collocation Space for marketing purposes nor shall it place any identifying signs or markings in the area surrounding the Remote Collocation Space or on the grounds of the Remote Site Location.

5.1.3 CLEC-1 shall place a plaque or other identification affixed to CLEC-1's equipment to identify CLEC-1's equipment, including a list of emergency contacts with telephone numbers.

5.1.4 All CLEC-1 equipment installation shall comply with BellSouth TR 73503-11, Section 8, "Grounding - Engineering Procedures". Metallic cable sheaths and metallic strength members of optical fiber cables as well as the metallic cable sheaths of all copper conductor cables shall be bonded to the designated grounding bus for the Remote Site Location. All copper conductor pairs, working and non-working, shall be equipped with a solid state protector unit (over-voltage protection only) which has been listed by a nationally recognized testing laboratory.

5.2 Entrance Facilities. CLEC-1 may elect to place CLEC-1-owned or CLEC-1-leased entrance facilities into the Remote Collocation Space from CLEC-1's point of presence. BellSouth will designate the point of interconnection at the

Remote Site Location housing the Remote Collocation Space, which is physically accessible by both Parties. CLEC-1 will provide and place copper cable through conduit from the Remote Collocation Space to the Feeder Distribution Interface to the splice location of sufficient length for splicing by BellSouth. CLEC-1 must contact BellSouth for instructions prior to placing the entrance facility cable. CLEC-1 is responsible for maintenance of the entrance facilities.

- 5.2.1 Shared Use. CLEC-1 may utilize spare capacity on an existing interconnector entrance facility for the purpose of providing an entrance facility to CLEC-1's collocation arrangement within the same BellSouth Remote Site Location.
- 5.3 Demarcation Point. BellSouth will designate the point(s) of demarcation between CLEC-1's equipment and/or network and BellSouth's network. Each Party will be responsible for maintenance and operation of all equipment/facilities on its side of the demarcation point. CLEC-1 or its agent must perform all required maintenance to CLEC-1 equipment/facilities on its side of the demarcation point, pursuant to Section 5.4, following.
- 5.4 CLEC-1's Equipment and Facilities. CLEC-1, or if required by this Agreement, CLEC-1's Certified Supplier, is solely responsible for the design, engineering, installation, testing, provisioning, performance, monitoring, maintenance and repair of the equipment and facilities used by CLEC-1.
- 5.5 BellSouth's Access to Remote Collocation Space. BellSouth retains the right to access the Remote Collocation Space for the purpose of making BellSouth equipment and Remote Site Location modifications.
- 5.6 Access. Pursuant to Section 12, CLEC-1 shall have access to the Remote Collocation Space twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week. CLEC-1 agrees to provide the name and social security number or date of birth or driver's license number of each employee, contractor, or agents of CLEC-1 or CLEC-1's Guests provided with access keys or devices ("Access Keys") prior to the issuance of said Access Keys. Key acknowledgement forms must be signed by CLEC-1 and returned to BellSouth Access Management within fifteen (15) calendar days of CLEC-1's receipt. Failure to return properly acknowledged forms will result in the holding of subsequent requests until acknowledgements are current. Access Keys shall not be duplicated under any circumstances. CLEC-1 agrees to be responsible for all Access Keys and for the return of all said Access Keys in the possession of CLEC-1 employees, contractors, Guests, or agents after termination of the employment relationship, contractual obligation with CLEC-1 or upon the termination of this Agreement or the termination of occupancy of an individual Remote Site collocation arrangement.

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- 5.6.1 CLEC-1 must submit to BellSouth the completed Access Control Request Form for all employees or agents requiring access to the BellSouth Premises a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date CLEC-1 desires access to the Collocation Space. In order to permit reasonable access during construction of the Collocation Space, CLEC-1 may submit such a request at any time subsequent to BellSouth's receipt of the Bona Fide Firm Order. In the event CLEC-1 desires access to the Collocation Space after submitting such a request but prior to access being approved, BellSouth shall permit CLEC-1 to access the Collocation Space accompanied by a security escort at CLEC-1's expense. CLEC-1 must request escorted access at least three (3) business days prior to the date such access is desired.
- 5.7 Lost or Stolen Access Keys. CLEC-1 shall notify BellSouth in writing immediately in the case of lost or stolen Access Keys. Should it become necessary for BellSouth to re-key Remote Site Locations as a result of a lost Access Key(s) or for failure to return an Access Key(s), CLEC-1 shall pay for all reasonable costs associated with the re-keying.
- 5.8 Interference or Impairment. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, equipment and facilities placed in the Remote Collocation Space shall not significantly degrade, interfere with or impair service provided by BellSouth or by any other interconnector located in the Remote Site Location; shall not endanger or damage the facilities of BellSouth or of any other interconnector, the Remote Collocation Space, or the Remote Site Location; shall not compromise the privacy of any communications carried in, from, or through the Remote Site Location; and shall not create an unreasonable risk of injury or death to any individual or to the public. If BellSouth reasonably determines that any equipment or facilities of CLEC-1 violates the provisions of this paragraph, BellSouth shall give written notice to CLEC-1, which notice shall direct CLEC-1 to cure the violation within forty-eight (48) hours of CLEC-1's actual receipt of written notice or, at a minimum, to commence curative measures within 24 hours and to exercise reasonable diligence to complete such measures as soon as possible thereafter. After receipt of the notice, the Parties agree to consult immediately and, if necessary, to inspect the arrangement.
- 5.8.1 Except in the case of the deployment of an advanced service which significantly degrades the performance of other advanced services or traditional voice band services, if CLEC-1 fails to take curative action within 48 hours or if the violation is of a character which poses an immediate and substantial threat of damage to property, injury or death to any person, or other interference/impairment of the services provided by BellSouth or any other interconnector, then and only in that event BellSouth may take such action as it deems appropriate to correct the violation, including without limitation the interruption of electrical power to CLEC-1's equipment. BellSouth will endeavor, but is not required, to provide notice to CLEC-1 prior

to taking such action and shall have no liability to CLEC-1 for any damages arising from such action, except to the extent that such action by BellSouth constitutes willful misconduct.

- 5.8.2 For purposes of this section, the term significantly degrade shall mean an action that noticeably impairs a service from a user's perspective. In the case of the deployment of an advanced service which significantly degrades the performance of other advanced services or traditional voice band services and CLEC-1 fails to take curative action within 48 hours then BellSouth will establish before the relevant Commission that the technology deployment is causing the significant degradation. Any claims of network harm presented to CLEC-1 or, if subsequently necessary, the relevant Commission must be supported with specific and verifiable information. Where BellSouth demonstrates that a deployed technology is significantly degrading the performance of other advanced services or traditional voice band services, CLEC-1 shall discontinue deployment of that technology and migrate its customers to technologies that will not significantly degrade the performance of other such services. Where the only degraded service itself is a known disturber, and the newly deployed technology satisfies at least one of the criteria for a presumption that is acceptable for deployment under 47 C.F.R. 51.230, the degraded service shall not prevail against the newly-deployed technology.
- 5.9 Presence of Facilities. Facilities and equipment placed by CLEC-1 in the Remote Collocation Space shall not become a part of the Remote Site Location, even if nailed, screwed or otherwise fastened to the Remote Collocation Space but shall retain its status as personality and may be removed by CLEC-1 at any time. Any damage caused to the Remote Collocation Space by CLEC-1's employees, agents or representatives shall be promptly repaired by CLEC-1 at its expense.
- 5.10 Alterations. In no case shall CLEC-1 or any person acting on behalf of CLEC-1 make any rearrangement, modification, improvement, addition, or other alteration which could affect in any way space, power, HVAC, and/or safety considerations to the Remote Collocation Space or the BellSouth Remote Site Location without the written consent of BellSouth, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The cost of any specialized alterations shall be paid by CLEC-1. Any material rearrangement, modification, improvement, addition, or other alteration shall require an Application Fee.
- 5.11 Upkeep of Remote Collocation Space. CLEC-1 shall be responsible for the general upkeep and cleaning of the Remote Collocation Space. CLEC-1 shall be responsible for removing any CLEC-1 debris from the Remote Collocation Space and from in and around the Remote Collocation Site on each visit.

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6. **Space Notification**

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6.2 Application for Space. CLEC-1 shall submit a Remote Site Collocation Application when CLEC-1 or CLEC-1's Guest(s), as defined in Section 3.3, desires to request or modify the use of the Remote Collocation Space.

6.3 Initial Application. For CLEC-1 or CLEC-1's Guest(s) equipment placement, CLEC-1 shall submit to BellSouth an Application. The Application is Bona Fide when it is complete and accurate, meaning that all required fields on the Application are completed with the appropriate type of information. Prior to submitting the application, CLI information can be obtained in the manner set forth in Section 2.1.1. An Application Fee will apply.

6.4 Subsequent Application In the event CLEC-1 or CLEC-1's Guest(s) desires to modify the use of the Collocation Space after Bona Fide Firm Order, CLEC-1 shall complete an Application detailing all information regarding the modification to the Collocation Space ("Subsequent Application"). BellSouth shall determine what modifications, if any, to the Premises are required to accommodate the change requested by CLEC-1 in the Application. Such necessary modifications to the Premises may include, but are not limited to, floor loading changes, changes necessary to meet HVAC requirements, changes to power plant requirements, equipment additions, etc.

6.4.1 Subsequent Application Fee. The application fee paid by CLEC-1 for its request to modify the use of the Collocation Space shall be dependent upon the level of assessment needed for the modification requested. Where the Subsequent Application does not require assessment for provisioning or construction work by BellSouth, no Subsequent Application fee will be required. The fee for a Subsequent Application where the modification requested has limited effect (e.g., requires limited assessment and no capital expenditure by BellSouth) shall be the Subsequent Application Fee as set forth in Attachment A to the SGAT. If the modification requires capital expenditure assessment, a full Application Fee shall apply. The Subsequent Application is Bona Fide when it is complete and accurate, meaning that all required fields on the Application are completed with the appropriate type of information.

6.5 Availability of Space. Upon submission of an Application, BellSouth will permit CLEC-1 to physically collocate, pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, at any BellSouth Remote Site Location, unless BellSouth has determined that there is no space available due to space limitations or that Remote Site Collocation is not practical for technical reasons. In the event space is not immediately available at a Remote Site Location, BellSouth

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reserves the right to make additional space available, in which case the conditions in Section 7.2 shall apply, or BellSouth may elect to deny space in accordance with this section in which case virtual or adjacent collocation options may be available. If the amount of space requested is not available, BellSouth will notify CLEC-1 of the amount that is available.

- 6.5.1 Availability Notification. BellSouth will respond to an application within ten (10) calendar days as to whether space is available or not available within a BellSouth Remote Site Location. This interval excludes National Holidays. If the amount of space requested is not available, BellSouth will notify CLEC-1 of the amount of space that is available and no Application Fee shall apply. When BellSouth's response includes an amount of space less than that requested by CLEC-1, CLEC-1 must resubmit its Application to reflect the actual space available.
- 6.6 Denial of Application. If BellSouth notifies CLEC-1 that no space is available ("Denial of Application"), BellSouth will not assess an Application Fee. After notifying CLEC-1 that BellSouth has no available space in the requested Remote Site Location, BellSouth will allow CLEC-1, upon request, to tour the Remote Site Location within ten (10) calendar days of such Denial of Application. This interval excludes national holidays. In order to schedule said tour within ten (10) calendar days, the request for a tour of the Remote Site Location must be received by BellSouth within five (5) calendar days of the Denial of Application.
- 6.7 Filing of Petition for Waiver. Upon Denial of Application BellSouth will timely file a petition with the Commission pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(6). BellSouth shall provide to the Commission any information requested by that Commission. Such information shall include which space, if any, BellSouth or any of BellSouth's affiliates have reserved for future use and a detailed description of the specific future uses for which the space has been reserved. Subject to an appropriate nondisclosure agreement or provision, BellSouth shall permit CLEC-1 to inspect any plans or diagrams that BellSouth provides to the Commission.
- 6.8 Waiting List. On a first-come, first-served basis governed by the date of receipt of an Application or Letter of Intent, BellSouth will maintain a waiting list of requesting carriers who have either received a Denial of Application or, where it is publicly known that the Premises is out of space, have submitted a Letter of Intent to collocate. BellSouth will notify the telecommunications carriers on the waiting list that can be accommodated by the amount of space that becomes available according to the position of the telecommunications carriers on said waiting list
- 6.8.1 When space becomes available, CLEC-1 must submit an updated, complete, and correct Application to BellSouth within thirty (30) calendar days of such

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notification. CLEC-1 may accept an amount of space less than its original request by submitting an Application as set forth above, and upon request, may maintain its position on the waiting list for the remaining space that was initially requested. If CLEC-1 does not submit such an Application or notify BellSouth in writing as described above, BellSouth will offer such space to the next CLEC on the waiting list and remove CLEC-1 from the waiting list. Upon request, BellSouth will advise CLEC-1 as to its position on the list.

- 6.9 Public Notification. BellSouth will maintain on its Interconnection Services website a notification document that will indicate all Remote Site Locations that are without available space. BellSouth shall update such document within ten (10) calendar days of the Denial of Application date. This interval excludes national holidays. BellSouth will also post a document on its Interconnection Services website that contains a general notice where space has become available in a Remote Site Location previously on the space exhaust list.
- 6.10 Application Response.
- 6.10.1 When space has been determined to be available, BellSouth will provide a written response ("Application Response"), within twenty-three (23) business days of the receipt of a Bona Fide Application, which will include, at a minimum, the estimated provisioning interval, any additional engineering charges, if applicable, and any other additional information that may extend the ordinary interval to extraordinary interval status, together with sufficient information to explain such extension.
- 6.10 Application Modifications.
- 6.11.1 If a modification or revision is made to any information in the Bona Fide Application prior to Bona Fide Firm Order, with the exception of modifications to Customer Information, Contact Information or Billing Contact Information, either at the request of CLEC-1 or necessitated by technical considerations, said Application shall be considered a new Application and shall be handled as a new Application for purposes of the provisioning interval, and BellSouth may charge CLEC-1 an Application Fee. Where the Application Modification does not require assessment for provisioning or construction work by BellSouth, no application fee will be required. The fee for an Application Modification where the modification requested has limited effect (e.g., requires limited assessment and no capital expenditure by BellSouth) shall be the Subsequent Application Fee as set forth in Attachment A to the SGAT. Major changes, such as requesting additional space or adding equipment may require CLEC-1 to resubmit the Application and an additional Application Fee shall apply.
- 6.12 Bona Fide Firm Order.

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- 6.12.1 CLEC-1 shall indicate its intent to proceed with equipment installation in a Company Premises by submitting a Physical Expanded Interconnection Firm Order document ("Firm Order") to BellSouth. A Firm Order shall be considered Bona Fide when CLEC-1 has completed the Application/Inquiry process and has submitted the Firm Order document indicating acceptance of the Application Response provided by BellSouth. The Bona Fide Firm Order must be received by BellSouth no later than five (5) business days after BellSouth's Application Response to CLEC-1's Bona Fide Application.
- 6.13 BellSouth will permit one accompanied site visit to CLEC-1's designated Remote Collocation Space after receipt of the Bona Fide Firm Order without charge to CLEC-1.

7. Construction and Provisioning

7.1 Construction and Provisioning Intervals.

- 7.1.1 In Kentucky, BellSouth will complete construction for collocation arrangements within seventy-six (76) business days from receipt of an Application or as agreed to by the Parties. Under extraordinary conditions, BellSouth will complete construction for collocation arrangements within ninety-one (91) business days. Examples of extraordinary conditions include, but are not limited to, extended license or permitting intervals; major Company equipment rearrangement or addition; power plant addition or upgrade; major mechanical addition or upgrade; major upgrade for ADA compliance; environmental hazard or hazardous materials abatement; and arrangements for which equipment shipping intervals are extraordinary in length. In the event CLEC-1 submits a forecast as described in the following section three (3) months or more prior to the application date, the above intervals shall apply. In the event CLEC-1 submits such a forecast between two (2) months and three (3) months prior to the application date, the above intervals may be extended by one (1) additional month. In the event CLEC-1 submits such a forecast less than two (2) months prior to the application date, the above intervals may be extended by sixty (60) calendar days. BellSouth will attempt to meet standard intervals for unforecasted requests and any interval adjustments will be discussed with CLEC-1 at the time the application is received. Raw space, which is space lacking the necessary infrastructure to provide collocation space including but not limited to HVAC, Power, etc.), conversion time frames fall outside the normal intervals and are negotiated on an individual case basis. Additionally, installations to existing collocation arrangements for line sharing or line splitting, which include adding cable, adding cable and splitter, and adding a splitter, will be forty five (45) business days from receipt of an Application.

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- 7.1.1.1 To be considered a timely and accurate forecast, CLEC-1 must submit to BellSouth the CLEC Forecast Form, as set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto, containing the following information: Central Office/Serving Wire Center CLLI, Remote Site CLLI, number of bays, number of DS0, DS1, DS3 terminations, equipment power requirements (power drain) and planned application date
- 7.2 In the event BellSouth does not have space immediately available at a Remote Site Location, BellSouth may elect to make additional space available by, for example but not limited to, rearranging BellSouth facilities or constructing additional capacity. In such cases, the above intervals shall not apply and BellSouth will provision the Remote Collocation Space in a nondiscriminatory manner and at parity with BellSouth and will provide CLEC-1 with the estimated completion date in its Response.
- 7.3 Permits. Each Party or its agents will diligently pursue filing for the permits required for the scope of work to be performed by that Party or its agents within ten (10) calendar days of the completion of finalized construction designs and specifications.
- 7.4 Acceptance Walk Through. CLEC-1 will schedule and complete an acceptance walk through of each Collocation Space with BellSouth within fifteen (15) days of BellSouth's notifying CLEC-1 that the collocation space is ready for occupancy. BellSouth will correct any deviations to CLEC-1's original or jointly amended requirements within seven (7) calendar days after the walk through, unless the Parties jointly agree upon a different time frame.
- 7.5 Use of BellSouth Certified Supplier. CLEC-1 shall select a supplier that has been approved by BellSouth to perform all engineering and installation work required in the Remote Collocation Space per TR 73503 specifications ("Certified Supplier"). BellSouth shall provide CLEC-1 with a list of Certified Suppliers upon request. The Certified Supplier(s) shall be responsible for installing CLEC-1's equipment and components, extending power cabling to the BellSouth power distribution frame, performing operational tests after installation is complete, and notifying BellSouth's Outside Plant engineers and CLEC-1 upon successful completion of installation. The Certified Supplier shall bill CLEC-1 directly for all work performed for CLEC-1 pursuant to this Agreement and BellSouth shall have no liability for nor responsibility to pay such charges imposed by the Certified Supplier. BellSouth shall consider certifying CLEC-1 or any supplier proposed by CLEC-1. All work performed by or for CLEC-1 shall conform to generally accepted industry guidelines and standards.
- 7.6 Alarm and Monitoring. BellSouth may place alarms in the Remote Site Location for the protection of BellSouth equipment and facilities. CLEC-1 shall be responsible for placement, monitoring and removal of alarms used to service CLEC-1's Remote Collocation Space and for ordering the necessary

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services therefor. Both Parties shall use best efforts to notify the other of any verified hazardous conditions known to that Party.

- 7.7 Virtual Remote Site Collocation Relocation. BellSouth offers Virtual Collocation pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in its F.C.C. Tariff No. 1 for Remote Site Collocation locations. The rates shall be the same as provided in this Attachment A to the SGAT. CLEC-1 may place within its Virtual Collocation arrangements the telecommunications equipment set forth in Section 5.1. In the event physical Remote Collocation Space was previously denied at a Remote Site Location due to technical reasons or space limitations, and that physical Remote Collocation Space has subsequently become available, CLEC-1 may relocate its virtual Remote Site collocation arrangements to physical Remote Site collocation arrangements and pay the appropriate non-recurring fees for physical Remote Site collocation and for the rearrangement or reconfiguration of services terminated in the virtual Remote Site collocation arrangement, as outlined in the appropriate BellSouth tariffs. In the event that BellSouth knows when additional space for physical Remote Site collocation may become available at the location requested by CLEC-1, such information will be provided to CLEC-1 in BellSouth's written denial of physical Remote Site collocation. To the extent that (i) physical Remote Collocation Space becomes available to CLEC-1 within 180 calendar days of BellSouth's written denial of CLEC-1's request for physical collocation, and (ii) CLEC-1 was not informed in the written denial that physical Remote Collocation Space would become available within such 180 calendar days, then CLEC-1 may relocate its virtual Remote Site collocation arrangement to a physical Remote Site collocation arrangement and will receive a credit for any nonrecurring charges previously paid for such virtual Remote Site collocation. CLEC-1 must arrange with a BellSouth Certified Supplier for the relocation of equipment from its virtual Remote Collocation Space to its physical Remote Collocation Space and will bear the cost of such relocation.
- 7.8 Cancellation. If, at anytime prior to space acceptance, CLEC-1 cancels its order for the Remote Collocation Space(s), CLEC-1 will reimburse BellSouth for the applicable non-recurring rate for any and all work processes for which work has begun.
- 7.9 Licenses. CLEC-1, at its own expense, will be solely responsible for obtaining from governmental authorities, and any other appropriate agency, entity, or person, all rights, privileges, and licenses necessary or required to operate as a provider of telecommunications services to the public or to occupy the Remote Collocation Space.
- 7.10 Environmental Hazard Guidelines. The Parties agree to utilize and adhere to the Environmental Hazard Guidelines identified as Exhibit A attached hereto.

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8. Rates and Charges

- 8.1 Application Fee. BellSouth will assess an Application Fee on a service order which shall be issued at the time BellSouth responds that space is available. Payment of the Application Fee will be due as dictated by CLEC-1's current billing cycle and is non-refundable.
- 8.2 Recurring Fees. Recurring charges begin on the date that CLEC-1 executes the written document accepting the Remote Collocation Space pursuant to Section 7.4, or on the date CLEC-1 first occupies the Remote Collocation Space, whichever is sooner. If CLEC-1 fails to schedule and complete a walkthrough pursuant to Section 7.4 within fifteen (15) days after BellSouth releases the space for occupancy, then BellSouth shall begin billing CLEC-1 for recurring charges as of the sixteenth (16) day after BellSouth releases the Remote Collocation Space. Other charges shall be billed upon request for the services. All charges shall be due as dictated by CLEC-1's current billing cycle.
- 8.3 Rack/Bay Space. The rack/bay space charge includes reasonable charges for air conditioning, ventilation and other allocated expenses associated with maintenance of the Remote Site Location, and includes amperage necessary to power CLEC-1's equipment. CLEC-1 shall pay rack/bay space charges based upon the number of racks/bays requested. BellSouth will assign Remote Collocation Space in conventional remote site rack/bay lineups where feasible.
- 8.4 Power. BellSouth shall make available -48 Volt (-48V) DC power for CLEC-1's Remote Collocation Space at a BellSouth Power Board (Fuse and Alarm Panel) or BellSouth Battery Distribution Fuse Bay ("BDFB") at CLEC-1's option within the Remote Site Location. The charge for power shall be assessed as part of the recurring charge for rack/bay space. If the power requirements for CLEC-1's equipment exceeds the capacity for the rack/bay, then such power requirements shall be assessed on a recurring per amp basis for the individual case.
- 8.4.1 Charges for AC power will be assessed per breaker ampere per month. Rates include the provision of commercial and standby AC power, where available. When obtaining power from a BellSouth service panel, protection devices and power cables must be engineered (sized), and installed by CLEC-1's BellSouth Certified Supplier except that BellSouth shall engineer and install protection devices and power cables for Adjacent Collocation. CLEC-1's BellSouth Certified Supplier must also provide a copy of the engineering power specification prior to CLEC-1's equipment becoming operational. AC power voltage and phase ratings shall be determined on a per location basis. At CLEC-1's option, CLEC-1 may arrange for AC power in

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an Adjacent Collocation arrangement from a retail provider of electrical power.

- 8.5 Security Escort. A security escort will be required whenever CLEC-1 or its approved agent desires access to the Remote Site Location after the one accompanied site visit allowed prior to completing BellSouth's Security Training requirements. The parties will negotiate appropriate security escort rates which will be assessed on a one half (1/2) hour increment basis.

- 8.6 Rate "True-Up". The Parties agree that the prices reflected as interim herein shall be "trued-up" (up or down) based on final prices either determined by further agreement or by an effective order, in a proceeding involving BellSouth before the regulatory authority for the state in which the services are being performed or any other body having jurisdiction over this Agreement (hereinafter "Commission"). Under the "true-up" process, the interim price for each service shall be multiplied by the volume of that service purchased to arrive at the total interim amount paid for that service ("Total Interim Price"). The final price for that service shall be multiplied by the volume purchased to arrive at the total final amount due ("Total Final Price"). The Total Interim Price shall be compared with the Total Final Price. If the Total Final Price is more than the Total Interim Price, CLEC-1 shall pay the difference to BellSouth. If the Total Final Price is less than the Total Interim Price, BellSouth shall pay the difference to CLEC-1. Each Party shall keep its own records upon which a "true-up" can be based and any final payment from one Party to the other shall be in an amount agreed upon by the Parties based on such records. In the event of any disagreement as between the records or the Parties regarding the amount of such "true-up," the Parties agree that the Commission shall be called upon to resolve such differences.

- 8.7 Other. If no rate is identified in Attachment A to the SGAT, the rate for the specific service or function will be negotiated by the Parties upon request by either Party. Payment of all other charges shall be due as dictated by CLEC-1's current billing cycle. CLEC-1 will pay a late payment charge of the lessor of one and one half percent or the legal interest rate assessed monthly on any balance which remains unpaid after the payment due date.

9. Insurance

9.1 Maintain Insurance. CLEC-1 shall, at its sole cost and expense, procure, maintain, and keep in force insurance as specified in this Section 9 and underwritten by insurance companies licensed to do business in the states applicable under this Agreement and having a Best's Insurance Rating of A-

9.2 Coverage. CLEC-1 shall maintain the following specific coverage:

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- 9.2.1 Commercial General Liability coverage in the amount of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) or a combination of Commercial General Liability and Excess/Umbrella coverage totaling not less than ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00). BellSouth shall be named as an Additional Insured on the Commercial General Liability policy as specified herein.
- 9.2.2 Statutory Workers Compensation coverage and Employers Liability coverage in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) each accident, one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) each employee by disease, and five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) policy limit by disease.
- 9.2.3 All Risk Property coverage on a full replacement cost basis insuring all of CLEC-1's real and personal property situated on or within BellSouth's Remote Site Location.
- 9.2.4 CLEC-1 may elect to purchase business interruption and contingent business interruption insurance, having been advised that BellSouth assumes no liability for loss of profit or revenues should an interruption of service occur.
- 9.3 Limits. The limits set forth in Section 9.2 above may be increased by BellSouth from time to time during the term of this Agreement upon thirty (30) days notice to CLEC-1 to at least such minimum limits as shall then be customary with respect to comparable occupancy of BellSouth structures.
- 9.4 All policies purchased by CLEC-1 shall be deemed to be primary. All policies purchased by CLEC-1 shall be deemed to be primary and not contributing to or in excess of any similar coverage purchased by BellSouth. All insurance must be in effect on or before the date equipment is delivered to BellSouth's Remote Site Location and shall remain in effect for the term of this Agreement or until all CLEC-1's property has been removed from BellSouth's Remote Site Location, whichever period is longer. If CLEC-1 fails to maintain required coverage, BellSouth may pay the premiums thereon and seek reimbursement of same from CLEC-1.
- 9.5 Submit certificates of insurance. CLEC-1 shall submit certificates of insurance reflecting the coverage required pursuant to this Section a minimum of ten (10) business days prior to the commencement of any work in the Remote Collocation Space. Failure to meet this interval may result in construction and equipment installation delays. CLEC-1 shall arrange for BellSouth to receive thirty (30) business days' advance notice of cancellation from CLEC-1's insurance company. CLEC-1 shall forward a certificate of insurance and notice of cancellation/non-renewal to BellSouth at the following address:

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BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
Attn.: Risk Management Coordinator
675 W. Peachtree Street
Rm. 17H53
Atlanta, Georgia 30375

- 9.6 Conformance to recommendations made by BellSouth's fire insurance company. CLEC-1 must conform to recommendations made by BellSouth's fire insurance company to the extent BellSouth has agreed to, or shall hereafter agree to, such recommendations.
- 9.7 Self-Insurance. If CLEC-1's net worth exceeds five hundred million dollars (\$500,000,000), CLEC-1 may elect to request self-insurance status in lieu of obtaining any of the insurance required in Sections 9.2.1 and 9.2.3. CLEC-1 shall provide audited financial statements to BellSouth thirty (30) days prior to the commencement of any work in the Remote Collocation Space. BellSouth shall then review such audited financial statements and respond in writing to CLEC-1 in the event that self-insurance status is not granted to CLEC-1. If BellSouth approves CLEC-1 for self-insurance, CLEC-1 shall annually furnish to BellSouth, and keep current, evidence of such net worth that is attested to by one of CLEC-1's corporate officers. The ability to self-insure shall continue so long as CLEC-1 meets all of the requirements of this Section. If CLEC-1 subsequently no longer satisfies this Section, CLEC-1 is required to purchase insurance as indicated by Sections 9.2.1 and 8.2.3.
- 9.8 Net worth requirements. The net worth requirements set forth in Section 8.7 may be increased by BellSouth from time to time during the term of this Agreement upon thirty (30) days' notice to CLEC-1 to at least such minimum limits as shall then be customary with respect to comparable occupancy of BellSouth structures.
- 9.9 Failure to comply. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Section will be deemed a material breach of this Agreement.
10. **Mechanics Liens**
- 10.1 Mechanics Lien or other Liens. If any mechanics lien or other liens shall be filed against property of either Party (BellSouth or CLEC-1), or any improvement thereon by reason of or arising out of any labor or materials furnished or alleged to have been furnished or to be furnished to or for the other Party or by reason of any changes, or additions to said property made at the request or under the direction of the other Party, the other Party directing or requesting those changes shall, within thirty (30) business days after receipt of written notice from the Party against whose property said lien has been filed, either pay such lien or cause the same to be bonded off the affected property in the manner provided by law. The Party causing said lien

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to be placed against the property of the other shall also defend, at its sole cost and expense, on behalf of the other, any action, suit or proceeding which may be brought for the enforcement of such liens and shall pay any damage and discharge any judgment entered thereon.

11. Inspections

- 11.1 BellSouth may conduct inspection. BellSouth may conduct an inspection of CLEC-1's equipment and facilities in the Remote Collocation Space(s) prior to the activation of facilities between CLEC-1's equipment and equipment of BellSouth. BellSouth may conduct an inspection if CLEC-1 adds equipment and may otherwise conduct routine inspections at reasonable intervals mutually agreed upon by the Parties. BellSouth shall provide CLEC-1 with a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours or two (2) business days, whichever is greater, advance notice of all such inspections. All costs of such inspection shall be borne by BellSouth.

12. Security and Safety Requirements

- 12.1 CLEC-1 will be required, at its own expense, to conduct a statewide investigation of criminal history records for each CLEC-1 employee being considered for work on the BellSouth Premises, for the states/counties where the CLEC-1 employee has worked and lived for the past five years. Where state law does not permit statewide collection or reporting, an investigation of the applicable counties is acceptable. CLEC-1 shall not be required to perform this investigation if an affiliated company of CLEC-1 has performed an investigation of the CLEC-1 employee seeking access, if such investigation meets the criteria set forth above. This requirement will not apply if CLEC-1 has performed a pre-employment statewide investigation of criminal history records of the CLEC-1 employee for the states/counties where the CLEC-1 employee has worked and lived for the past five years or, where state law does not permit a statewide investigation, an investigation of the applicable counties.
- 12.2 CLEC-1 shall provide its employees and agents with picture identification which must be worn and visible at all times while in the Collocation Space or other areas in or around the Premises. The photo Identification card shall bear, at a minimum, the employee's name and photo, and the CLEC-1 name. BellSouth reserves the right to remove from its premises any employee of CLEC-1 not possessing identification issued by CLEC-1 or who have violated any of BellSouth's policies as outlined in the CLEC Security Training COMMISSION documents. CLEC-1 shall hold BellSouth harmless for any damages resulting from such removal of its personnel from BellSouth premises. CLEC-1 shall be solely responsible for ensuring that any Guest of CLEC-1 is in compliance with all subsections of this Section 12.

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12.3 CLEC-1 will be required to administer to their personnel assigned to the BellSouth Premises security training either provided by BellSouth, or meeting criteria defined by BellSouth.

12.4 CLEC-1 shall not assign to the BellSouth Premises any personnel with records of felony criminal convictions. CLEC-1 shall not assign to the BellSouth Premises any personnel with records of misdemeanor convictions, except for misdemeanor traffic violations, without advising BellSouth of the nature and gravity of the offense(s). BellSouth reserves the right to refuse access to any CLEC-1 personnel who have been identified to have misdemeanor criminal convictions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that CLEC-1 chooses not to advise BellSouth of the nature and gravity of any misdemeanor conviction, CLEC-1 may, in the alternative, certify to BellSouth that it shall not assign to the BellSouth Premises any personnel with records of misdemeanor convictions (other than misdemeanor traffic violations).

12.4.1 CLEC-1 shall not knowingly assign to the BellSouth Premises any individual who was a former employee of BellSouth and whose employment with BellSouth was terminated for a criminal offense whether or not BellSouth sought prosecution of the individual for the criminal offense.

12.4.2 CLEC-1 shall not knowingly assign to the BellSouth Premises any individual who was a former contractor of BellSouth and whose access to a BellSouth Premises was revoked due to commission of a criminal offense whether or not BellSouth sought prosecution of the individual for the criminal offense.

12.5 For each CLEC-1 employee requiring access to a BellSouth Premises pursuant to this Agreement, CLEC-1 shall furnish BellSouth, prior to an employee gaining such access, a certification that the aforementioned background check and security training were completed. The certification will contain a statement that no felony convictions were found and certifying that the security training was completed by the employee. If the employee's criminal history includes misdemeanor convictions, CLEC-1 will disclose the nature of the convictions to BellSouth at that time. In the alternative, CLEC-1 may certify to BellSouth that it shall not assign to the BellSouth Premises any personnel with records of misdemeanor convictions other than misdemeanor traffic violations.

12.6 At BellSouth's request, CLEC-1 shall promptly remove from BellSouth's Premises any employee of CLEC-1 BellSouth does not wish to grant access to its premises 1) pursuant to any investigation conducted by BellSouth or 2) prior to the initiation of an investigation if an employee of CLEC-1 is found interfering with the property or personnel of BellSouth or another CLEC, provided that an investigation shall promptly be commenced by BellSouth.

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- 12.7 Notification to BellSouth. BellSouth reserves the right to interview CLEC-1's employees, agents, or contractors in the event of wrongdoing in or around BellSouth's property or involving BellSouth's or another CLEC's property or personnel, provided that BellSouth shall provide reasonable notice to CLEC-1's Security contact of such interview. CLEC-1 and its contractors shall reasonably cooperate with BellSouth's investigation into allegations of wrongdoing or criminal conduct committed by, witnessed by, or involving CLEC-1's employees, agents, or contractors. Additionally, BellSouth reserves the right to bill CLEC-1 for all reasonable costs associated with investigations involving its employees, agents, or contractors if it is established and mutually agreed in good faith that CLEC-1's employees, agents, or contractors are responsible for the alleged act. BellSouth shall bill CLEC-1 for BellSouth property that is stolen or damaged where an investigation determines the culpability of CLEC-1's employees, agents, or contractors and where CLEC-1 agrees, in good faith, with the results of such investigation. CLEC-1 shall notify BellSouth in writing immediately in the event that the CLEC discovers one of its employees already working on the BellSouth premises is a possible security risk. Upon request of the other Party, the Party who is the employer shall discipline consistent with its employment practices, up to and including removal from BellSouth Premises, any employee found to have violated the security and safety requirements of this section. CLEC-1 shall hold BellSouth harmless for any damages resulting from such removal of its personnel from BellSouth premises.
- 12.8 Use of Supplies. Unauthorized use of telecommunications equipment or supplies by either Party, whether or not used routinely to provide telephone service (e.g. plug-in cards,) will be strictly prohibited and handled appropriately. Costs associated with such unauthorized use may be charged to the offending Party, as may be all associated investigative costs.
- 12.9 Use of Official Lines. Except for non-toll calls necessary in the performance of their work, neither Party shall use the telephones of the other Party on the BellSouth Premises. Charges for unauthorized telephone calls may be charged to the offending Party, as may be all associated investigative costs. In no event shall CLEC-1, its agents, vendors or employees access BellSouth or any other CLEC's end user telephone lines.
- 12.10 Accountability. Full compliance with the Security requirements of this section shall in no way limit the accountability of either Party to the other for the improper actions of its employees.
13. **Destruction of Remote Collocation Space**
- 13.1 Remote Collocation Space is damaged. In the event a Remote Collocation Space is wholly or partially damaged by fire, windstorm, tornado, flood or by

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similar causes to such an extent as to be rendered wholly unsuitable for CLEC-1's permitted use hereunder, then either Party may elect within ten (10) business days after such damage, to terminate this Agreement with respect to the affected Remote Collocation Space, and if either Party shall so elect, by giving the other written notice of termination, both Parties shall stand released of and from further liability under the terms hereof with respect to such Remote Collocation Space. If the Remote Collocation Space shall suffer only minor damage and shall not be rendered wholly unsuitable for CLEC-1's permitted use, or is damaged and the option to terminate is not exercised by either Party, BellSouth covenants and agrees to proceed promptly without expense to CLEC-1, except for improvements not the property of BellSouth, to repair the damage. BellSouth shall have a reasonable time within which to rebuild or make any repairs, and such rebuilding and repairing shall be subject to delays caused by storms, shortages of labor and materials, government regulations, strikes, walkouts, and causes beyond the control of BellSouth, which causes shall not be construed as limiting factors, but as exemplary only. CLEC-1 may, at its own expense, accelerate the rebuild of its Remote Collocation Space and equipment provided however that a BellSouth Certified Contractor is used and the necessary space preparation has been completed. Rebuild of equipment must be performed by a BellSouth Certified Vendor. If CLEC-1's acceleration of the project increases the cost of the project, then those additional charges will be incurred by CLEC-1. Where allowed and where practical, CLEC-1 may erect a temporary facility while BellSouth rebuilds or makes repairs. In all cases where the Remote Collocation Space shall be rebuilt or repaired, CLEC-1 shall be entitled to an equitable abatement of rent and other charges, depending upon the unsuitability of the Remote Collocation Space for CLEC-1's permitted use, until such Remote Collocation Space is fully repaired and restored and CLEC-1's equipment installed therein (but in no event later than thirty (30) business days after the Remote Collocation Space is fully repaired and restored). Where CLEC-1 has placed a Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement pursuant to section 3.4, CLEC-1 shall have the sole responsibility to repair or replace said Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement provided herein. Pursuant to this section, BellSouth will restore the associated services to the Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement.

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14. Eminent Domain

- 14.1 Power of Eminent Domain. If the whole of a Remote Collocation Space or Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement shall be taken by any public authority under the power of eminent domain, then this Agreement shall terminate with respect to such Remote Collocation Space or Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement as of the day possession shall be taken by such public authority and rent and other charges for the Remote Collocation Space or Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement shall be paid up to that day with proportionate refund by BellSouth of such rent and charges as may have been paid in advance for

a period subsequent to the date of the taking. If any part of the Remote Collocation Space or Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement shall be taken under eminent domain, BellSouth and CLEC-1 shall each have the right to terminate this Agreement with respect to such Remote Collocation Space or Remote Site Adjacent Arrangement and declare the same null and void, by written notice of such intention to the other Party within ten (10) business days after such taking.

15. Nonexclusivity

15.1 Agreement is not exclusive. CLEC-1 understands that this Agreement is not exclusive and that BellSouth may enter into similar agreements with other Parties. Assignment of space pursuant to all such agreements shall be determined by space availability and made on a first come, first served basis.

16. Notices

16.1 Except as otherwise provided herein, any notices or demands that are required by law or under the terms of this Agreement shall be given or made by CLEC-1 or BellSouth in writing and shall be given by hand delivery, or by certified or registered mail, and addressed to the parties as follows:

<u>To BellSouth:</u> 600 N. 19 th Street 9 th Floor Birmingham, AL 35240 ATTN: CLEC Account Team	<u>To CLEC-1:</u> _____ _____ _____ ATTN: _____
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16.2.1 Such notices shall be deemed to have been given in the case of certified or registered mail when deposited in the United States mail with postage prepaid.

17. Indemnity/Limitations of Liability

17.1 CLEC-1 shall be liable for any damage to property, equipment or facilities or injury to person caused by the activities of CLEC-1, its agents or employees pursuant to, or in furtherance of, rights granted under this Agreement. CLEC-1 shall indemnify and hold BellSouth harmless from and against any judgments, fees, costs or other expenses resulting or claimed to result from such activities by CLEC-1, its agents or employees.

17.2 BellSouth shall not be liable to CLEC-1 for any interruption of CLEC-1's service or for interference with the operation of CLEC-1's communications facilities, or for any special, indirect, incidental or consequential damages

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arising in any manner, including BellSouth's negligence, out of the use of the Collocation Space(s) and CLEC-1 shall indemnify, defend and hold BellSouth harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, causes of action, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees with respect to such special, indirect, incidental or consequential damages.

18. Publicity

18.1 CLEC-1 agrees to submit to BellSouth all advertising, sales promotion, press releases, and other publicity matters relating to this Agreement or mentioning or implying the tradenames, logos, trademarks or service marks (hereinafter "Marks") of BellSouth Corporation and/or any of its affiliated companies or language from which the connection of said Marks therewith may be inferred or implied, or mentioning or implying the names of any personnel of BellSouth Corporation and/or any of its affiliated companies, and CLEC-1 further agrees not to publish or use such advertising, sales promotions, press releases, or publicity matters without BellSouth's prior written consent.

19. Force Majeure

19.1 Neither party shall be in default by reason of any failure in performance of this Agreement, in accordance with its terms and conditions, if such failure arises out of causes beyond the control of the nonperforming party including, but not restricted to, acts of God, acts of government, insurrections, fires, floods, accidents, epidemics, quarantines, restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, inability to secure raw materials or transportation facilities, acts or omissions of carriers or any and all other causes beyond the party's control.

20. Assignment

20.1 CLEC-1 acknowledges that this Agreement does not convey any right, title or interest in the Central Office to CLEC-1. This Agreement is not assignable by either party without the prior written consent of the other party, and any attempt to assign any of the rights, duties or obligations of this Agreement without such consent is void. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either party may assign any rights, duties or obligations of this Agreement to a parent, subsidiary or affiliate without the consent of the other party.

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21. No Implied Waiver

21.1 No consent or waiver by either party to or of any breach of any covenant, term, condition, provision or duty of the other party under this Agreement shall be construed as a consent to or waiver of any other breach of the same or any other covenant, term, condition, provision or duty. No such consent or waiver

shall be valid unless in writing and signed by the party granting such consent or waiver.

22. Governing Law

22.1 This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Kentucky, without regard to its conflict of laws principles.

23. Compliance with Laws

23.1 The Parties agree to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules and regulations in the performance of this Agreement.

24. Resolution of Disputes

24.1 Except as otherwise stated in this Agreement, the Parties agree that if any dispute arises as to the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement or as to the proper implementation of this Agreement, the parties will petition the Commission in the state where the services are provided pursuant to this Agreement for a resolution of the dispute. However, each party reserves any rights it may have to seek judicial review of any ruling made by the Public Service Commission concerning this Agreement.

25. Section Headings

25.1 The section headings used herein are for convenience only, and shall not be deemed to constitute integral provisions of this Agreement.

26. Authority

26.1 Each of the parties hereto warrants to the other that the person or persons executing this Agreement on behalf of such party has the full right, power and authority to enter into and execute this Agreement on such party's behalf and that no consent from any other person or entity is required as a condition precedent to the legal effect of this Agreement.

27. Review of Agreement

27.1 The parties acknowledge that each has had an opportunity to review and negotiate this Agreement and has executed this Agreement only after such review and negotiation. The Parties further agree that this Agreement shall

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be deemed to have been drafted by both BellSouth and CLEC-1 and the terms and conditions contained herein shall not be construed any more strictly against one party or the other.

28. Filing of Agreement

28.1 Upon execution of this Agreement it shall be filed with the appropriate state regulatory agency pursuant to the requirements of section 252 of the Act. If the regulatory agency imposes any filing or public interest notice fees regarding the filing or approval of the Agreement, said costs shall be borne by CLEC-1.

29. Entire Agreement

29.1 This Agreement contains the full understanding of the Parties (superseding all prior or contemporaneous correspondence between the Parties) and shall constitute the entire agreement between BellSouth and CLEC-1 and may not be modified or amended other than by a written instrument signed by both parties. If any conflict arises between the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement and those contained in a filed tariff, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall control.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement by their duly authorized representatives in one or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original, on the day and year first above written.

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS,
INC.

(CLEC-1's Full Company Name)

Authorized Signature

Authorized Signature

Print or Type Name

Print or Type Name

Title

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Date

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EXHIBIT A

**ENVIRONMENTAL AND SAFETY
PRINCIPLES**

The following principles provide basic guidance on environmental and safety issues when applying for and establishing Physical Collocation arrangements.

1. GENERAL PRINCIPLES

- 1.1 Compliance with Applicable Law. BellSouth and CLEC-1 agree to comply with applicable federal, state, and local environmental and safety laws and regulations including U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) regulations issued under the Clean Air Act (CAA), Clean Water Act (CWA), Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA), the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), and OSHA regulations issued under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, as amended and NFPA and National Electrical Codes (NEC) and the NESC ("Applicable Laws"). Each Party shall notify the other if compliance inspections are conducted by regulatory agencies and/or citations are issued that relate to any aspect of this Agreement.
- 1.2 Notice. BellSouth and CLEC-1 shall provide notice to the other, including Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs), of known and recognized physical hazards or Hazardous Chemicals existing on site or brought on site. Each Party is required to provide specific notice for known potential Imminent Danger conditions. CLEC-1 should contact 1-800-743-6737 for BellSouth MSDS sheets.
- 1.3 Practices/Procedures. BellSouth may make available additional environmental control procedures for CLEC-1 to follow when working at BellSouth Premises (See Section 2, below). These practices/procedures will represent the regular work practices required to be followed by the employees and contractors of BellSouth for environmental protection. CLEC-1 will require its contractors, agents and others accessing the BellSouth Premises to comply with these practices. Section 2 lists the Environmental categories where BST practices should be followed by CLEC when operating in the BellSouth Premises.
- 1.4 Environmental and Safety Inspections. BellSouth reserves the right to inspect the CLEC-1 space with proper notification. BellSouth reserves the right to stop any CLEC-1 work operation that imposes Imminent Danger to the environment, employees or other persons in the area or Facility.

- 1.5 Hazardous Materials Brought On Site. Any hazardous materials brought into, used, stored or abandoned at the BellSouth Premises by CLEC-1 are owned by CLEC-1. CLEC-1 will indemnify BellSouth for claims, lawsuits or damages to persons or property caused by these materials. Without prior written BellSouth approval, no substantial new safety or environmental hazards can be created by CLEC-1 or different hazardous materials used by CLEC-1 at BellSouth Facility. CLEC-1 must demonstrate adequate emergency response capabilities for its materials used or remaining at the BellSouth Facility.
- 1.6 Spills and Releases. When contamination is discovered at a BellSouth Premises, the Party discovering the condition must notify BellSouth. All Spills or Releases of regulated materials will immediately be reported by CLEC-1 to BellSouth.
- 1.7 Coordinated Environmental Plans and Permits. BellSouth and CLEC-1 will coordinate plans, permits or information required to be submitted to government agencies, such as emergency response plans, spill prevention control and countermeasures (SPCC) plans and community reporting. If fees are associated with filing, BellSouth and CLEC-1 will develop a cost sharing procedure. If BellSouth's permit or EPA identification number must be used, CLEC-1 must comply with all of BellSouth's permit conditions and environmental processes, including environmental "best management practices (BMP)" (see Section 2, below) and/or selection of BST disposition vendors and disposal sites.
- 1.8 Environmental and Safety Indemnification. BellSouth and CLEC-1 shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the other Party from and against any claims (including, without limitation, third-party claims for personal injury or death or real or personal property damage), judgments, damages, (including direct and indirect damages, and punitive damages), penalties, fines, forfeitures, costs, liabilities, interest and losses arising in connection with the violation or alleged violation of any Applicable Law or contractual obligation or the presence or alleged presence of contamination arising out of the acts or omissions of the indemnifying Party, its agents, contractors, or employees concerning its operations at the Facility.

2. CATEGORIES FOR CONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

When performing functions that fall under the following Environmental categories on BellSouth's Premises, CLEC-1 agrees to comply with the applicable sections of the current issue of BellSouth's Environmental and Safety Methods and Procedures (M&Ps), incorporated herein by this reference. CLEC-1 further agrees to cooperate with BellSouth to ensure that CLEC-1's employees, agents, and/or subcontractors are knowledgeable of and satisfy those provisions of BellSouth's Environmental M&Ps which apply

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to the specific Environmental function being performed by CLEC-1, its employees, agents and/or subcontractors.

The most current version of reference documentation must be requested from BellSouth.

ENVIRONMENTAL CATEGORIES	ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES	ADDRESSED BY THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION
Disposal of hazardous material or other regulated material (e.g., batteries, fluorescent tubes, solvents & cleaning materials)	Compliance with all applicable local, state, & federal laws and regulations Pollution liability insurance EVET approval of contractor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Std T&C 450 • Fact Sheet Series 17000 • Std T&C 660-3 • Approved Environmental Vendor List (Contact E/S Management)
Emergency response	Hazmat/waste release/spill firesafety emergency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fact Sheet Series 1700 • Building Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) (specific to and located on Premises)
Contract labor/outsourcing for services with environmental implications to be performed on BellSouth Premises (e.g., disposition of hazardous material/waste; maintenance of storage tanks)	Compliance with all applicable local, state, & federal laws and regulations Performance of services in accordance with BST's environmental M&Ps Insurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Std T&C 450 • Std T&C 450-B • (Contact E/S for copy of appropriate E/S M&Ps.) • Std T&C 660
Transportation of hazardous material	Compliance with all applicable local, state, & federal laws and regulations Pollution liability insurance EVET approval of contractor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Std T&C 450 • Fact Sheet Series 17000 • Std T&C 660-3 • Approved Environmental Vendor List (Contact E/S Management)

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Maintenance/operations work which may produce a waste	Compliance with all application local, state, & federal laws and regulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Std T&C 450
Other maintenance work	Protection of BST employees and equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 29CFR 1910.147 (OSHA Standard) • 29CFR 1910 Subpart O (OSHA Standard)
Janitorial services	<p>All waste removal and disposal must conform to all applicable federal, state and local regulations</p> <p>All Hazardous Material and Waste</p> <p>Asbestos notification and protection of employees and equipment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P&SM Manager - Procurement • Fact Sheet Series 17000 • GU-BTEN-001BT, Chapter 3 • BSP 010-170-001BS (Hazcom)
Manhole cleaning	<p>Compliance with all applicable local, state, & federal laws and regulations</p> <p>Pollution liability insurance</p> <p>EVET approval of contractor</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Std T&C 450 • Fact Sheet 14050 • BSP 620-145-011PR Issue A, August 1996 • Std T&C 660-3 • Approved Environmental Vendor List (Contact E/S Management)
Removing or disturbing building materials that may contain asbestos	Asbestos work practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GU-BTEN-001BT, Chapter 3

3. DEFINITIONS

Generator. Under RCRA, the person whose act produces a Hazardous Waste, as defined in 40 CFR 261, or whose act first causes a Hazardous Waste to become subject to regulation. The Generator is legally responsible for the proper management and disposal of Hazardous Wastes in accordance with regulations.

Hazardous Chemical. As defined in the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA) hazard communication standard (29 CFR 1910.1200), any chemical which is a health hazard or physical hazard.

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Hazardous Waste. As defined in section 1004 of RCRA.

Imminent Danger. Any conditions or practices at a facility, which are such that a danger exists which could reasonably be expected to cause immediate death or serious harm to people or immediate significant damage to the environment or natural resources.

Spill or Release. As defined in Section 101 of CERCLA.

4. ACRONYMS

E/S – Environmental/Safety

EVET - Environmental Vendor Evaluation Team

DEC/LDEC - Department Environmental Coordinator/Local Department Environmental Coordinator

GU-BTEN-001BT - BellSouth Environmental Methods and Procedures

NESC - National Electrical Safety Codes

P&SM - Property & Services Management

Std. T&C - Standard Terms & Condition

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