

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF )  
BELLSOUTH BSE, INC. )  
FOR AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ) CASE NO. 97-\_\_\_\_\_  
LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE )

BellSouth BSE, Inc. ("Applicant") requests that the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") certify it as a competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC") pursuant to KRS Chapter 278 and the Commission's Order of September 26, 1996 in Administrative Case Number 355 with authority to provide local exchange telephone service throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky ("Kentucky"). In support of its Application, the Applicant states as follows:

1. The full name, address and telephone number of the Applicant is:

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Atlanta, Georgia 30309-4599  
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2. The Applicant's attorney is:

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3. The names, street address, telephone number and fax number of the responsible contact persons for customer complaints and regulatory issues are:

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4. A notarized statement by Robert Scheye stating that the Applicant has not previously collected for intrastate service in Kentucky prior to filing this Application is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

5. Applicant intends to provide business and residential exchange and access service throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky beginning as soon as practicable. BSE currently intends to be prepared to offer services in mid-1998.

6. BSE intends to initially resell the services of incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs) and to purchase unbundled network elements as appropriate. Once it has initiated business, it may deploy its own facilities when it becomes economically feasible to do so.

7. BSE has initiated negotiations for interconnection agreements with BellSouth Telecommunications, GTE and Cincinnati Bell for the state of Kentucky.