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**COMMISSION SEEKS COMMENT ON
PETITION FOR CONDITIONAL WAIVER FILED BY BELLSOUTH**

CC Docket No. 98-147

Released: December 11, 2000

Comments: December 28, 2000
Reply Comments: Waived

On December 1, 2000, BellSouth Corporation and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) filed a petition for conditional waiver of certain requirements adopted in *Deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications Capability*, Order on Reconsideration, FCC 00-297 (rel. Aug 10, 2000) (*Collocation Reconsideration Order*).

The *Collocation Reconsideration Order* requires incumbent local exchange carriers (incumbent LECs) to provision physical collocation arrangements within 90 days of receiving an acceptable collocation application, except to the extent a state sets its own standards or a requesting carrier and an incumbent LEC agree to an alternative standard. BellSouth requests a conditional waiver of that 90-day interval similar to the waivers granted to Verizon Telephone Companies (Verizon) and SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) in *Deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications Capability*, CC Docket No. 98-147, *Memorandum Opinion and Order*, DA 00-2528 (Com. Car. Bur., Nov. 7, 2000) (*Collocation Waiver Order*). BellSouth states that if the Commission grants BellSouth's waiver request, BellSouth will apply the application processing and provisioning intervals that the *Collocation Waiver Order* approved for Verizon and SBC to collocation requests arising in the three states in the BellSouth region in which the state commission has not prescribed collocation intervals.

Interested parties may file comments regarding BellSouth petition for conditional waiver no later than **December 28, 2000**. We waive section 1.45 of the Commission's rules insofar as it permits reply comments. All filings regarding the petitions for conditional waiver should reference the Common Carrier Bureau docket assigned to this proceeding, CC Docket No. 98-147.

Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/efcs.html>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must transmit one electronic copy of the comments for each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to efcs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, “get form <your e-mail address>.” A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

We will treat this proceeding as “permit but disclose” for purposes of the Commission’s *ex parte* rules. *See generally* 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200-1.1216. Parties making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentation must contain a summary of the substance of the presentation and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally required. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2), as revised. Other rules pertaining to oral and written presentations are set forth in section 1.1206(b) as well. Interested parties are to file with the Secretary, FCC, and serve Janice M. Myles and ITS, with copies of any written *ex parte* presentations or summaries of oral *ex parte* presentations in these proceedings in the manner specified above.

For further information, contact Janice M. Myles, Policy and Program Planning Division, Common Carrier Bureau, at (202) 418-1580, e-mail jmyles@fcc.gov.

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