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November 2, 2005

Beth Salak, Director
Competitive Markets and Enforcement
Attn: Tariff Section
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Dear Ms. Salak:

Pursuant to Florida Statute 364.051, attached for filing with the Commission is the following page of BellSouth's General Subscriber Service Tariff:

General Subscriber Service Tariff
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The purpose of this General Subscriber Services Tariff filing is to comply with the FCC Order, FCC 05-178, which provides support under the federal Link-Up program to victims of Hurricane Katrina. The effective date for the tariff modification is November 17, 2005.

Acknowledgment, date of receipt and authority number of this filing are requested.

Your consideration and approval will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Regulatory Vice President
Attachments

Florida Attachment

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

# **Description of Proposed Tariff**

This General Subscriber Services Tariff filing is prepared in compliance with the FCC's Order, FCC 05-178, dated October 14, 2005, which provides support under the federal Link-Up program to victims of Hurricane Katrina.

A federal credit in the amount of thirty dollars (\$30.00) per qualifying household will be available to subscribers upon request and certification of FEMA eligibility. Eligibility for this credit is based on the eligibility criteria used by FEMA to provide individual disaster housing assistance.

A maximum of two federal credits (one for the temporary location and one for a return to the permanent location) will be available to qualified subscribers. These credits will be available for customer orders from October 14, 2005 to March 1, 2007.

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## Estimated Revenue Impact

This filing is estimated to have no revenue impact. The support for this tariff modification is provided by a temporary rule change to the established federal Link-Up program.

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EFFECTIVE: November 17, 2005

ISSUED: November 2, 2005 BY: Marshall M. Criser III, President -FL

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## A4. SERVICE CHARGES

## A4.4 Dual Service

#### A4.4.1 General

- **A.** Dual Service is a service offering which supplies the same dial tone concurrently to two different addresses served from the same wire center for a limited period of time (90 days maximum) for nondesigned services only. The provision of Dual Service assures the customer continual service at both locations during the time of a move.
- **B.** A request for Dual Service occurs on orders for a transfer of service (T&F) within the same wire center where no telephone number change is involved.
- C. Dual Service will be offered subject to the availability of facilities and technical limitations.
- **D.** Payment for Dual Service is provided for by billing the nonrecurring charge following plus the applicable portion of the monthly rate on both lines during the period of service overlap, regardless of the duration of that overlap (90 days maximum).

## A4.4.2 Rates and Charges

- A. Exchange Access Line
  - 1. Per line, trunk or main station line

		Nonrecurring	
		Charge	USOC
(a)	Residence	\$20.00	NA
(b)	Business	20.00	NA

## A4.5 Reserved for Future Use

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# A4.7 Link-Up

### A4.7.1 General

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- **B.** Link-Up is supported by the federal universal service support mechanism.
- **C.** A federal credit amount of fifty percent (50%) of the non-recurring charges for connection of service, up to a maximum of *thirty dollars* (\$30.00), is available to be passed through to the subscriber.
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### A. General

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- 2. Link-Up connection assistance is available per household and is applicable to the primary residential connection only.
- 3. The Link-Up credit is available each time the customer installs or relocates the primary residential service.
- 4. To receive the credit, the named subscriber to the service must provide proof of eligibility prior to installation of service.
- 5. The total tariffed charges for connecting service, including service and other installation charges, are considered in the credit calculation.
- 6. The non-discounted federal credit amount will be passed along to resellers ordering local service at the prescribed resale discount from this Tariff, for their eligible end users. Eligible carriers, as defined by the FCC, are required to establish their own Link-Up programs.
- 7. The Installment Billing Service Fee is not applicable to Link-Up accounts.

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BY: Joseph P. Lacher, President-FL

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