

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

BELLSOUTH OA TRUNK RESTRUCTURE AND RATE CHANGE (TN 711)

DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION

TRANSMITTAL NO. 714

INTRODUCTION

With this filing, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (hereafter "BellSouth") is revising its Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, Section 9.

BACKGROUND

On April 11, 2003, BellSouth filed Transmittal 711 to restructure rates for BellSouth OA Trunks. A tariff page that should have been modified and included in Transmittal 711 was not so modified or included in Transmittal 711. The omitted tariff page describes pre-requisites for BellSouth OA Access Service. As effective today, the tariff requires that subscribing customers have a Northern Telecom DMS 250/500 switch equipped with Northern Telecom software release level UCS08 (or higher) and feature packages URLT 1-4.

DESCRIPTION OF TARIFF MODIFICATIONS

BellSouth is modifying this tariff part to remove certain pre-requisite requirements for OA Access Service. The proposed tariff no longer requires OA Access Service customers to have or obtain a Northern Telecom DMS 250/500 switch equipped with Northern Telecom software release level UCS08 (or higher) and feature packages URLT 1-4. Instead, only customers who wish to utilize release link

trunking technology must have in place Nortel DMS 250/500 switching equipment loaded with Nortel release level UCS08 (or higher) and feature packages URLT 1, 2, 3 and 4.

JUSTIFICATION FOR TARIFF MODIFICATIONS

The proposed tariff modification makes subscription to OA Access Service possible for customers with switches other than Nortel DMS 250/500.

PRICE CAPS REVENUE ASSIGNMENT

This change has no impact on Bellsouth's API revenue.

CUSTOMER EFFECTS

When this restructure becomes effective, existing customers with other than Nortel DMS 250/500 switching equipment will be able to subscribe do OA Access Service.