

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION
BELLSOUTH FAST PACKET ACCESS SERVICES
TRANSMITTAL NO. 888

1.0 INTRODUCTION

With this filing, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (hereinafter "BellSouth") is revising the F.C.C. Tariff No. 1 to effect a rate reduction for certain Managed Shared Frame Relay Services (MSFRS) and Managed Shared ATM Services (MSATMS) in Sections 21 and 23.

Transmittal No. 888 is scheduled to become effective on April 15, 2004.

2.0 RATES AND CHARGES

This filing will reduce monthly recurring rates specifically for DS3 type speeds of MSFRS and MSATMS Fast Packet Access Services provided in Sections 21 and 23. In accordance with the Fast Packet Services Payment Plan (FPSPP) tariff (Section 2.4.8.(C)(1)(f)), the rate decrease will automatically flow through for any existing MSFRS or MSATMS DS3 type service under a FPSPP arrangement.

Proposed rate changes for Section 21 are under price caps and are supported as a rate reduction request. BellSouth's MSFRS/MSATMS DS3 rate reduction filing for Section 21 service results in an API revenue decrease of \$15,253 in the Trunking Basket as shown in Appendix-A Workpaper SUM-A. This revenue change lowers the ATS rate from 0.00632621 to 0.00632591. This calculation is shown in Appendix-A Workpaper TGT-3. Additionally, Workpaper SUM-A displays all existing and proposed price cap index values as well as revenue data for the Trunking Basket demonstrating that BellSouth remains within all allowable price cap limits with this filing. Rate detail for these MSFRS and MSATMS reductions can be seen in Appendix A Workpaper TR1.