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## RE: Docket No. 03119-TX, Notice of Transfer and Merger of BellSouth BSE, Inc and BellSouth Long Distance, Inc.

Dear Ms. Bayo:

We are in receipt of a letter dated March 11, 2004, from Ms. Brenda H. Hawkins regarding the above-referenced docket. According to the letter, pursuant to Section 364.337, Florida Statutes, the Florida Commission does not believe that this matter requires its approval. Accordingly, we are hereby requesting that the Florida Public Service Commission change the name on BellSouth BSE, Inc.'s ("BSE") Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications Certificate from BellSouth BSE, Inc. to BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. (BSLD").

By way of background, BSE and BSLD are planning to merge the two companies by June 30, 2004, contingent upon approval of all appropriate regulatory agencies.

BSE is a company that was organized under the laws of the state of Delaware on July 16, 1997, and has its principal offices located in Atlanta, Georgia. BSE was granted a certificate by the Florida Public Service Commission, Certificate number 5261. BSE has been a certificated Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications Provider in the State of Florida since 1998.

BSLD is a company that was organized under the laws of the state of Delaware on March 13, 1996 and has its principal offices located in Atlanta, Georgia. BSLD was certificated to provide intrastate interexchange long distance service in the state of Florida under the name "BellSouth Long Distance, Inc". BSLD was granted Certification by the Florida Public Service Commission in 1997, Certificate number 5241.

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This transaction will be transparent to the customers of BSE as there will be no change in contact information, services, rates or terms and conditions of service. The Company plans to market, brand and bill all services under the BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. name after the merger is completed.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping the extra copy of this letter and returning it to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided for that purpose.

We appreciate the Commission's consideration of this request to change the name appearing on BSE's Certificate. Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this request.

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