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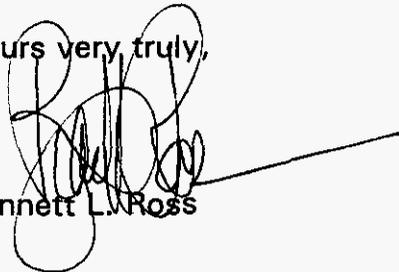
Re: *In re: Investigation Into Pricing of Unbundled Network Elements*  
Docket 990649-TP

Dear Counsel:

On April 17, 2000, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") served copies of its proprietary cost studies on those parties that had executed a protective agreement. Included among these proprietary cost studies was the Switching Cost Information System ("SCIS") model. It has come to my attention that, while the documents accompanying SCIS the model indicate that it is proprietary, the CD itself was not marked as such. This was simply an oversight, and you should treat the CD containing the SCIS model as confidential consistent with the terms of our Protective Agreement.

Thank you for your cooperation, and please let me know if you have any questions about this matter.

Yours very truly,

  
Bennett L. Ross

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