

1 **Q. PLEASE COMMENT ON THE CLAIMED INVESTMENT ERRORS.**

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3 A. Ms. Pitts notes on page 13, lines 2 – 4 that BellSouth’s Class Modem
4 Resource Card investment should have discounted instead of being included
5 at list price. Ms. Pitts is correct that a discount should have been applied.⁹
6 On page 13, lines 11 – 14 Ms. Pitts claims that “it appears that at least one
7 technology’s investments included ‘loadings’ and costs for ‘associated
8 resources’. It is probable that some of these associated resources are double
9 counted here and again in the telco installation factor, and/or other factors.”
10 The conjecture that these “associated resources” are double counted is
11 without basis and is not true. Based on information provided by Lucent,
12 these “associated resources” are switch cabinets, which are not included in
13 any other BellSouth factors.

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16 **Q. PLEASE COMMENT ON THE CLAIMED CAPACITY ERRORS.**

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18 A. Ms. Pitts claims on page 14, lines 7 – 11 that BellSouth’s use of two Call
19 Waiting tone circuits is incorrect, but an examination of the SCIS/IN
20 formulas shows that the two circuits is correct.

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22 Ms. Pitts claims on page 14, lines 12 - 16 that BellSouth's estimate for the
23 number of lines sharing a CLASS modem card is too low. Upon further
24 evaluation, the number of lines sharing a CLASS modem card from should be

⁹ The correct blended discount should be applied to all hardware investments taken from SCIS, not Ms. Pitts’ hypothetical replacement only discount.

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changed from 76.8 to 435.75. The revised number of lines reflects utilization, so the utilization input for the CLASS modem should be 100%

The capacities for the SAS announcement circuit should be modified based on new information from the switch vendor as reflected in my exhibit JHP-03.

The following summarizes the proposed CCS capacity modifications:

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***** End Proprietary *****

Q. PLEASE COMMENT ON THE CLAIMED UTILIZATION ERRORS.

A. Ms. Pitts notes, on p. 15 lines 5 - 6, that the values for CCS capacity taken from the SCIS hardware tables already reflect utilization, and that it would not be appropriate to apply a utilization factor in cases where these values are used. Upon further examination of the hardware study inputs, BellSouth agrees that the utilization inputs should be changed from 85% to 100% on the following items of equipment:

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| 6-port Conference Circuit | Nortel | 100% |
| 3-port Conference Circuit | Nortel | 100% |
| Call Waiting Tone | Nortel | 100% |
| 6-port Conference Circuit | Lucent | 100% |
| 3-port Conference Circuit | Lucent | 100% |
| Class Modem Card | Nortel | 100% |

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| 1 | DMS | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Equipment | Material \$ | Discount Rate | E&I | Total | Capacity (CCS) | \$/Unit | Utilization | Utilized Investment (per CCS) | Source | |
| 3 | Variable Announcement | [REDACTED] | | | | | | 85% | [REDACTED] | Nortel | |
| 4 | 6-port Conference Circuit | [REDACTED] | | | | | | 100% | [REDACTED] | Nortel | |
| 5 | 3-port Conference Circuit | [REDACTED] | | | | | | 100% | [REDACTED] | Nortel | |
| 6 | Call Waiting Tone | [REDACTED] | | | | | | 100% | [REDACTED] | SCIS/IN | |
| 7 | Average | [REDACTED] | | | | | | | | | |
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| 10 | Equipment | Material \$ | Discount Rate | E&I | Total | Capacity (CCS) | \$/Unit | Utilization | Utilized Investment (per CCS) | | |
| 11 | 30-Second Announcement | [REDACTED] | | | | | | 85% | [REDACTED] | Lucent | |
| 12 | 60-Second Announcement | [REDACTED] | | | | | | 85% | [REDACTED] | Lucent | |
| 13 | DSU2/SAS/BRCS | [REDACTED] | | | | | | 85% | [REDACTED] | Lucent | |
| 14 | 6-port Conference Circuit | [REDACTED] | | | | | | 100% | [REDACTED] | Lucent | |
| 15 | 3-port Conference Circuit | [REDACTED] | | | | | | 100% | [REDACTED] | Lucent | |
| 16 | Average | [REDACTED] | | | | | | | | | |
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| 19 | Equipment | Material \$ | Discount Rate | E&I | Total | Capacity (Lines) | \$/Unit | Utilization | Utilized Investment (per Lines) | | |
| 20 | DMS | [REDACTED] | | | | | | | | | |
| 21 | Class Modem Card | [REDACTED] | | | | | | 100% | [REDACTED] | SCIS/IN | |

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