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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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In the Matter of)
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Section 63.71 Application of)
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BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a)
AT&T Southeast)
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For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of)
The Communications Act of 1934, As Amended,)
To Discontinue the Provision of Service)

File No.

**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
D/B/A AT&T SOUTHEAST**

AT&T Inc. on behalf of its affiliate, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast ("AT&T") applies for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act, as amended ("the Act"), 47 U.S.C. (§ 214, and Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") rules, 47 C.F.R. §63.71, to discontinue BellSouth's Fast Packet services, including Exchange Access Frame Relay service, Exchange Access ATM service, Managed Shared Frame Relay service, Managed Shared ATM service, ("collectively referred to herein as "BellSouth FR and ATM services") throughout its service territory in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.

As required by Section 63.71(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, AT&T is providing the following information:

Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1), (b)(2)):

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast
One AT&T Way

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Date of Planned Service Discontinuance (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):

AT&T will no longer offer these services to new customers on or after September 19, 2011, subject to Commission approval of this application. Existing customers may retain their services until December 31, 2014 pursuant to the terms and conditions of their existing service agreement.

Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

BellSouth FR and ATM services will be discontinued throughout its service territory in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.

Brief Description of Type of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

Exchange Access Frame Relay Service is a connection oriented packet-switched data service allowing for the interconnection of local area networks (LANS) or other compatible customer equipment.

BellSouth Exchange Access Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) Service is a connection-oriented data service based on ATM cell-based switching technology. This service allows for the interconnection of ATM compatible customer equipment by providing efficient throughput at high speeds of transmission. This service also provides the switching of symmetrical duplex transmissions of fixed-length ATM cells (herein referred to as ATM cells).

BellSouth Managed Shared Frame Relay Service provides total premises to switch connectivity to BellSouth's Frame Relay network through Network-to-Network Interfaces (NNI) or User-to-Network Interfaces (UNI) on the frame relay switch. This service is a connection

oriented packet-switched data service allowing for the interconnection of local area networks or other compatible customer equipment.

BellSouth Managed Shared ATM Service provides total premises to switch connectivity to BellSouth's ATM network through User-to-Network Interfaces (UNI) on the ATM switch. This service is a connection oriented data service based on ATM cell-based switching technology. This service also allows for the interconnection of ATM compatible customer equipment by providing efficient throughput at high speeds of transmission.

As a result of the acquisition of BellSouth Telecommunications Inc. by AT&T Inc., AT&T is consolidating its product portfolio. The BellSouth FR and ATM services are duplicative of other data services offered by affiliates of AT&T Southeast. Therefore, the public convenience and necessity is not impaired by the discontinuance of these services because they are offered by affiliates of AT&T Southeast or other carrier's in the marketplace.

Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. §63.71(b)(3)):

AT&T notified its customers of its intention to discontinue this service by letter sent via U.S. Mail on June 29, 2011. A copy of the customer notification is attached hereto as Attachment A.

In addition, copies of this Application are being sent, first class U.S. Mail, to the public utilities commission and governor of each state in which discontinuance is proposed and also to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.

Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(4)):

AT&T offers Exchange Access Frame Relay service and Managed Shared Frame Relay service at speeds less than 200 kbs pursuant to dominant carrier regulation. AT&T offers Exchange Access ATM service, Managed Shared ATM service, Exchange Access Frame Relay service and Managed Shared Frame Relay service at speeds above 200 kbs pursuant to non-dominant regulation. For regulatory efficiency and to prevent customer confusion, AT&T Southeast provides its consent for the Commission to process this application pursuant to the discontinuance procedures for dominant carriers.

Questions about this application may be addressed to Toni Acton, AT&T Services, Inc., Director - Federal Regulatory, 1120 20th Street N.W., Suite 1000, Washington, D.C. 20036, (202) 457-3039.

Conclusion:

The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of BellSouth FR and ATM services because there are replacement services available from AT&T and other carriers in the marketplace. AT&T respectfully requests that the Commission approve its Section 63.7 1 Application to discontinue these services.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENT A



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June 29, 2011

CUSTOMER NAME
ADDRESS
CITY, STATE ZIP

**Important Notice Regarding the Change in Service &
Discontinuance of Fast Packet Services provided by
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (d/b/a AT&T Southeast)**

Dear AT&T Business Customer,

AT&T values your business, and we would like to update you on some important changes underway for BellSouth® Fast Packet Services. Effective on September 19, 2011, pending regulatory approval, the following AT&T interstate services will no longer be available to new customers in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee:

- BellSouth® Exchange Access Frame Relay Service (XAFRS) (a.k.a. BellSouth Exchange Access Frame Relay Service)
- BellSouth® Exchange Access Asynchronous Transfer Mode Service (XAATMS)
- BellSouth® Managed Shared Frame Relay Service (MSFRS)
- BellSouth® Managed Shared ATM Service (MSATMS).

As a current AT&T customer with BellSouth® Fast Packet Services, you may retain your existing service(s) and continue to conduct moves, additions and administrative changes until **December 31, 2013**, subject to the terms of your existing BellSouth® Fast Packet Service Agreement or AT&T Business Services Agreement (BSA). Effective September 19, 2011, AT&T Early Termination Fees will no longer apply for these BellSouth® Fast Packet Services.

We currently plan to withdraw the BellSouth® Fast Packet Service offerings on December 31, 2014. For customers with BellSouth® Fast Packet Service, AT&T will support one extension of your existing contract past its current term for 12 months, provided the extension is signed on or before March 31, 2012. No other renewals, extensions or new term plans may be entered into after September 19, 2011. Upon expiration of your contract, we will continue to provide the service on a month-to-month basis until the service is discontinued (currently planned for December 31, 2014).

The BellSouth® Fast Packet Services are governed by the terms of the AT&T Interstate Access Guidebook and BellSouth Telecommunications Interstate Access Services Tariff, which can be found at www.att.com/servicepublications.

AT&T is ready to provide **AT&T VPN Services as a replacement solution today!** AT&T VPN is our premier network-based Multi-Protocol Label Switching (MPLS) based service delivered via the world-class AT&T Global Network, with nearly \$1 Billion invested to expand our network reach, enhance performance and deliver new service capabilities.

With AT&T VPN, you will benefit from:

- Access to our reliable worldwide network, backed by service level agreements (SLAs) for on-time provisioning, site availability and performance (latency, data delivery, and jitter).
- Service capabilities, including integrated VoIP service, higher speed Ethernet, integrated 3G Mobility access, access to hosted servers and storage, MultiLink PPP, multiple Class of Service (CoS) options, and native mode Multicast support, to mention a few.
- Extensive Support from dedicated customer care and technical marketing teams, including access to a powerful suite of online monitoring and management tools via our AT&T BusinessDirect® portal.

Your business is important to us. We want to ensure that you are obtaining the most suitable services for your needs. Please contact your Account Manager or other members of your Sales Team if you have any questions. If you do not know your Account Manager please refer to the customer service number on your invoice. Thank you for choosing AT&T.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Brown
Lead Product Marketing Manager
AT&T Fast Packet Services

AT&T is required by the FCC to provide the following statement:

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the section 63.71 Application of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (d/b/a ATT Southeast). Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuation (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

Please do not send inquiries or payments to the return address on this notice. If you have comments or questions, please contact AT&T Customer Service at the toll-free number on your bill.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do certify that I have, on this 30th day of June 2011, served a copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the following:

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