#### **BELLSOUTH CORP**

Form 4 April 27, 2006

# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BLANCHARD JAMES H			Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading     Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			BELLSOUTH CORP [BLS]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
1111 BAY AVENUE, SUITE 500			04/21/2006	Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
COLUMBUS, GA 31901				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	<b>Derivative</b>	Secur	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/21/2006		M	6,086	A	\$ 19.905	44,501	D	
Common Stock	04/21/2006		D	3,683	D	\$ 32.9	40,818	D	
Common Stock							295	I	By Spouse

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or Disposed of (D)		te	7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)  (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares
Option-Right to Buy; Tandem SAR	\$ 19.905	04/21/2006		M	6,086	04/22/1996	04/23/2006	Common Stock	6,08

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name	Addross	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BLANCHARD JAMES H
1111 BAY AVENUE, SUITE 500 X
COLUMBUS, GA 31901

## **Signatures**

Marcy A. Bass, Attorney in Fact 04/27/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

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