**EXHIBIT 3**Bell South Corporation

Balance Sheet December 31, 2005

(in millions)

Assets	As Reported	Adjustments	As Restated
Current assets	\$ 4,209	-	\$4,209
Property, plant, and equipment, net	21,723	_	21,723
Investments/advances to			
Cingular Wireless	21,274	- ,	21,274
Other assets	7,814	(4,511) <sup>A</sup>	3,303
Intangible assets, net	1,533		1,533
Total assets	<u>\$56,553</u>	( <u>\$4,511</u> )	<u>\$52,042</u>
Liabilities and shareholders' equity			
Current liabilities	\$ 8,654	_	\$8,654
Long-term debt	13,079	_	13,079
Deferred income taxes	6,607	(1,874) <sup>B</sup>	4,733
Other noncurrent liabilities	4,679	739 <sup>A</sup>	5,418
Total liabilities	\$33,019	( <u>\$1,135</u> )	_\$31,884
Common stock	2020	_	2020
Paid-in capital	7,960	_	7,960
Retained earnings	20,383	(94) <sup>C</sup>	20,289
Accumulated other	,	. ,	•
comprehensive income	(14)	(3,282) <sup>D</sup>	(3,296)
Treasury stock	<u>(6,815</u> )	<u>-</u> _	<u>(6,815</u> )
Total shareholders' equity	23,066	(3,376)	19,690
Total liabilities and shareholders' eq	uity <u>\$ 56,553</u>	(\$4,511)	\$52,042
A) (\$1,932) Funding status of plans, as of 12/31/05			
+ 3,318 Existing prepaid benefit cost, as of 12/31/05  \$5,250 Increase in plan obligations on balance sheet, as: \$4,511 : elimination of prepaid pension costs 739 : increase in accrued pension costs			
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B) \$5,250 Additional plan obligation			
35.7% Effective tax rate during 2005			
\$1,874 Reduction in deferred income taxes			
C) (\$219) Recognition of previously unrecognized transition obligation, as of 12/31/04			
78 Tax effects of transition obligation recognition (219 x 35.7%)			
73 Reversal of 2005 amortization of transition obligation			
(26) Tax effects of 2005 amortization reversal (73 x 35.7%)			
(\$94) Adjustment to reta	ined earnings		
D) \$5,250 Additional plan ob	Additional plan obligations		
	Tax effects of additional plan obligations		
3,376 Net additional liability, net of tax			
	(94) Retained earnings adjustment		
	Comprehensive income adjustment		
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