BELLSOUTH CORP
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STAVROPOULOS WILLIAM S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2030 WILLIAM H. DOW CENTER

(Street)

MIDLAND, MI 48674

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
BELLSOUTH CORP [BLS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/01/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
_____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(*e.g.*, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)

	Derivative Security			Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)							
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Share
Phantom Defereral Shares	(1)	08/01/2005		A(2)		653.2119		01/01/2010	01/01/2010	Common Stock	653.2
Phantom Deferral Shares	(1)	08/02/2005		A(2)		54.3163		01/01/2010	01/01/2010	Common Stock	54.3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STAVROPOULOS WILLIAM S 2030 WILLIAM H. DOW CENTER MIDLAND, MI 48674	X			

Signatures

Marcy A. Bass, Attorney in Fact	08/03/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

***** If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

****** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) SHARES OF PHANTOM STOCK CONVERT TO COMMON STOCK ON A ONE-FOR-ONE BASIS.

(2) SHARES OF PHANTOM STOCK ACQUIRED PURSUANT TO BELLSOUTH CORPORATION DEFERRAL PLAN IN TRANSACTIONS EXEMPT UNDER RULE 16b-3(d).

(3) INCLUDES SHARES OF PHANTOM STOCK ACQUIRED AS A RESULT OF REINVESTMENT OF DIVIDENDS ACCRUED ON PHANTOM SHARES PREVIOUSLY ACQUIRED UNDER VARIOUS DEFERRAL PLANS IN TRANSACTIONS EXEMPT UNDER RULE 16b-3 AND DEFERRED INTO PHANTOM ACCOUNT.

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