

August 9, 2002

Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Mr. Katz:

Enclosed are notarized sworn statements of Bell Microproducts' principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as required by SEC Order No. 4-460. Fax copies were sent on August 9, 2002.

Sincerely,



Holly Anderson,
Corporate Secretary

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**Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer
Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings**

I, W. Donald Bell, state and attest that:

(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Bell Microproducts Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

- Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001 of Bell Microproducts Inc.;
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Bell Microproducts Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to any of the foregoing.


 W. Donald Bell
 8/9, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to
 before me this 9th day of
August, 2002.

/s/ 
 Notary Public

My Commission Expires: June 30, 2005

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