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The Global Grid Forum (GGF) is hosting a second focus session on the impact of Grid computing on telecommunication companies.

The session will be held in conjunction with Supercomm 2004 in Chicago, IL, US on Monday, June 21 at McCormick Place.

<u>Attendance is free. Participation is by Invitation Only</u>. RSVP is required.

Time	Topic
8:30-9:00	▪ Welcome and Intro – Charlie Catlett, Chair, Global Grid Forum ▪ Global Grid Forum activities related to Grids and Telecoms – Franco Travostino, Nortel ▪ Review of Previous Telecom Focus Session in Berlin (Robert Cohen, ESI)
9:00-10:15	How are telcos being affected by the emergence of grids? ▪ Panel – Frank Falcon, British Telecom, Paul Fernes, Level3, Xiao Yan Chen, IBM China Research Lab, Beijing on "Grid initiatives in China." ▪ Open Discussion ▪ Chaired by Franco Travostino, Nortel
10:15-10:30	Break
10:30-11:30	Round-table discussion ▪ Open Discussion (Moderated by Robert Cohen) ▪ Is there a sustainable business model for telcos in the age of grids? ▪ Will the relationship between telcos and their customers change as a result of the virtualization of services and resources? ▪ What new standards are needed to meet requirements introduced by grids?
11:30-12:30	Round-table discussion (Moderated by Michael Haley, IBM) ▪ How must telcos partner with other organizations to provide grid interconnectivity and grid services in the future? ▪ Who will be the service providers in the grid world?
12:30	Lunch and networking with participants (to include a wrap-up and next step)

Participation will include representatives from telecoms, equipment vendors, and software and services providers with a balance of technical participants as well as those involved with strategy and marketing. Telecom organizations invited include: AT&T, MCI, British Telecom, Deutsche Telekom, Bellsouth, Cingular, Verizon, Qwest, Sprint, Level3, and NTT.

While there is no charge for this special meeting, you may participate fully at by sending an RSVP to scrumb@ggf.org before June 4, 2004.

We hope you or someone from your firm who is familiar with these subjects will plan to attend.