

## STEPHEN M. BLUST

### BIOGRAPHY

**Stephen M. Blust (P.E.)** is a Senior Manager of Strategic Technology at BellSouth Cellular Corporation, located in Atlanta, Ga. He is responsible for the development of corporate strategies, including the forecasting of the business impacts of evolving and future technology related to wireless telecommunications. His background includes 25 years in wireline and wireless telecommunications, and spans radio engineering, services and architecture development, research, standards, regulatory support, PCS development, and strategic planning. Projects include initiation, development, and program management for Software Defined Radio (SDR) for commercial wireless, and wireless 911 in cellular and PCS.

Mr. Blust is active in industry associations, forums, and standards organizations, including ITU-R TG 8/1 working on IMT-2000 and third generation wireless. He is currently Chair of the Modular Multi-Function Information Transfer Systems (MMITS) Forum, which is addressing Software Defined Radio.

He holds a B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering from Tulane University and is a member of Tau Beta Pi and Eta Kappa Nu. Mr. Blust is a member of the IEEE, is a Registered Professional Engineer, and has attained First Class certification and master endorsement in RF and non-RF radiating systems from the National Association of Radio and Telecommunications Engineers (NARTE). He is also a co-holder of a patent covering wireless trunking arrangements.