SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G (RULE 13d-102)

INFORMATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1 AND 13d-2 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (FINAL AMENDMENT)

	Bell Microproducts Inc.					
	(Name of Issuer)					
	Common Stock					
	(Title of Class of Securities)					
	078137106					
	(CUSIP Number)					
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1)	Names of Reporting Persons S.S. or I.R.S. Identification Nos. of a persons PNC Bank Corp. 25-1435979	rode	7e			
2)	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions a) [] b) []	s)				
3)	SEC USE ONLY					
4)	Citizenship or Place of Organization Pennsylvania					
Ben	mber of Shares 5) Sole Voting Power * neficially Owned Each Reporting					
	rson With 6) Shared Voting Power *					
	7) Sole Dispositive Power *					
	8) Shared Dispositive Power *					
9)	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person *					
10)	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)	[]			
11)	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) *					
12)	Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)		НС			
	* See the response to Item 5. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549					
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1)	Names of Reporting Pe above persons	ersons S.S. or I.R.S. Identificat	tion Nos. of		
	PNC Bancorp, Inc.	51-0326854			
2)	Check the Appropriate a) [] b) []	e Box if a Member of a Group (See	∋ Instructions)		
3)	SEC USE ONLY				
4)	Citizenship or Place	of Organization Delaware			
Bene	eficially Owned	5) Sole Voting Power	*		
	Cach Reporting con With	5) Shared Voting Power	*		
	7	7) Sole Dispositive Power	*		
	3	3) Shared Dispositive Power	*		
9)	Aggregate Amount Bene	eficially Owned by Each Reporting	g Person *		
10)	Check if the Aggregat Shares (See Instructi	ce Amount in Row (9) Excludes Cer cons)	rtain []		
11)	Percent of Class Repr	resented by Amount in Row (9)	*		
12)	Type of Reporting Per	rson (See Instructions)	HC		
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		(Name of Issuer)			
		Common Stock			
	(Tit	tle of Class of Securities)			
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		(CUSIP Number)			
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1)	persons	ersons S.S. or I.R.S. Identificates	ion Nos. of above		
2)		e Box if a Member of a Group (See	e Instructions)		

3)	SEC USE ONLY		
4)	4) Citizenship or Place of Organization Unit		United States
Benef	er of Shares ficially Owned ach Reporting on With	5) Sole Voting Power	*
		6) Shared Voting Power	*
		7) Sole Dispositive Power	*
		8) Shared Dispositive Power	*
9)	Aggregate Amount Benef	icially Owned by Each Report	ing Person *
10)	Check if the Aggregate (See Instructions)	Amount in Row (9) Excludes (Certain Shares
11)	Percent of Class Repre	esented by Amount in Row (9)	*
12)	Type of Reporting Perso	on (See Instructions)	ВК
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		MENT PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1 A SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 193 (FINAL AMENDMENT)	
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		(Name of Issuer)	
		Common Stock	
		e of Class of Securities)	
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		(CUSIP Number)	
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1)	Names of Reporting Per persons BlackRock, Inc.+ 23-2	rsons S.S. or I.R.S. Identific	cation Nos. of above
2)	Check the Appropriate a) [] b) []	Box if a Member of a Group (S	See Instructions)
3)	SEC USE ONLY		
4)	Citizenship or Place o	of Organization	Delaware
Benef	ber of Shares eficially Owned	5) Sole Voting Power	*
_	ch Reporting on With	6) Shared Voting Power	*

7) Sole Dispositive Power

b) []

12) Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

 $*$ See the response to Item 5. ITEM 5 - OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS

Each reporting person has ceased to own beneficially more than 5% of the stock.

ITEM 10 - CERTIFICATION.

February 13, 1998

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date
/s/ ROBERT L. HAUNSCHILD
Signature - PNC Bank Corp.
Robert L. Haunschild, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Name/Title
February 13, 1998
Date
/s/ PAUL L. AUDET
Signature - PNC Bancorp, Inc.
Paul L. Audet, Vice President
Name/Title
February 13, 1998
Date
/s/ THOMAS R. MOORE
Signature - PNC Bank, National Association
Thomas R. Moore, Vice President and Secretary
Name/Title
February 13, 1998
Date
/s/ BRIAN F. LILLY
Signature - BlackRock, Inc.
Brian F. Lilly, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
Name/Title
February 13, 1998

Date

/s/ YOUNG D. CHIN

Signature - Provident Capital Management, Inc.

Young D. Chin, President

Name/Title

An agreement to file a joint statement was previously filed as Exhibit A to the Schedule 13G filed February 12, 1996.