STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE Inter-Department Communication

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SUBJECT: DT 08-005 Verizon New Hampshire Tariff Filing Revising Auxiliary Exchange Services

TO: Commissioners Executive Director Telecommunications Division Director

On January 18, 2008, Verizon New Hampshire (Verizon) submitted a tariff filing revising Auxiliary Exchange Services in Verizon's NHPUC No. 83 Exchange and Network Services tariff. Verizon requested the tariff go into effect by February 16, 2008. The filing revises rates associated with the 12- and 24-month commitment plans for FIOS Bundle Discount Plan as well as renewal rates. On February 15, 2008, by secretarial letter, the Commission extended the effective date of the tariff to March 18, 2008. Staff required the additional time to request and review additional information on the continued availability of the FIOS product in NH.

Verizon filed this revision to provide different credit to newly acquired customers subscribing to Regional Essentials - FIOS Bundle Discount Plan for 12- or 24-month commitment plans, as well as provide a renewal credit to existing customers whose 12month term has expired. Renewal rates for customers with a 24- month term are not addressed in this filing. Regional Essentials provides residential customers with a combination of unlimited local service, unlimited intrastate toll calling, Touch Tone service, a waiver of applicable Service Connection charges, and up to three Value Added Services (VAS). VAS include Call Waiting, Caller ID or Caller ID-Number Only or Caller ID w/Name or Call Waiting ID Deluxe, Call Forwarding Busy Line/Don't Answer, Call Forwarding Busy Line or Call Forwarding Don't Answer, and Voice Mail.

Staff has determined that the FIOS product continues to be available in NH and that FairPoint is aware of this tariff revision. The components for these packages pass the price floor analysis and the additional revenue from these packages will not have a large impact on Verizon's current earnings. Staff recommends that the Commission allow this tariff filing revising rates associated with the 12- and 24-month commitment plans for FIOS Bundle Discount Plan as well as renewal rates for customers with 12-month commitment plans, to go into effect as submitted.