

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Inter-Department Communication

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SUBJECT: DT 08-007
Interconnection Agreement between Verizon New Hampshire
and Metropolitan Telecommunications of New Hampshire, Inc.
Amendment No. 1

TO: Debra Howland

On January 23, 2008, Metropolitan Telecommunications of New Hampshire, Inc. (MetTel) and Verizon New Hampshire (Verizon) jointly filed Amendment No. 1 (Amendment) to the Interconnection Agreement (Agreement) between Verizon and MetTel pursuant to Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

On April 17, 2008, FairPoint Communications (FairPoint) filed a letter informing the Commission of FairPoint's assumption of existing Verizon Agreements following the March 31, 2008 transfer of landline assets and operations from Verizon to FairPoint. According to the FairPoint filing, the Verizon – MetTel Agreement is still pending assignment. Upon receipt of written consent from MetTel, the Agreement, as amended, will become a FairPoint – MetTel Agreement.

Staff recommends that the Commission allow this Amendment to go into effect by operation of law 90 days after originally having been filed. In this case, the Amendment would become effective on or about April 22, 2008.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 6554.