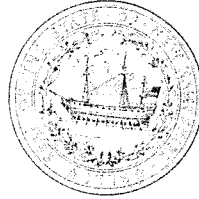


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Re: DT 09-037, Fairpoint Communications - NNE
Special Contract with Salem, NH School District SAU 57 for Centrex Service
Services

Dear Mr. Shea:

On February 27, 2009, Fairpoint Communications - NNE (Fairpoint) filed a special contract to provide Salem, NH School District SAU 57 with Centrex services for a period of 24 months. In support of the filing, Fairpoint submitted records and information, including contract terms and conditions, for which it requested confidential treatment pursuant to RSA 378:43.

Staff has requested that the effective date of the contract be extended 30 days to provide Fairpoint additional time to file supporting data requested by Staff.

Pursuant to RSA §378:18-b, II (b), "[t]he commission may, in its discretion and with reasonable explanation, extend the effective date of the special contract by 30 days." In order to evaluate the information requested by Staff, but not yet received, the Commission believes it is reasonable to extend the effective date of the special contract by 30 days, to April 28, 2009.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Service List
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