

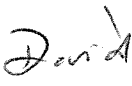


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SUBJECT: DT 09-178 Fairpoint Communications - NNE
Special Contract with Weeks Memorial Hospital for ISDN-PRI
Service

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On September 21, 2009, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a Fairpoint Communications - NNE (Fairpoint) filed a special contract between Fairpoint and Weeks Memorial Hospital. Under the contract, Fairpoint will provide Weeks Memorial Hospital with ISDN-PRI service, including Port, Local Distribution Channel, and Caller ID without Name, for a period of 60 months. During the 12 months of the contract Weeks Memorial Hospital is allowed, at any time, to order additional circuits. In support of the filing, Fairpoint submitted records and information, including contract terms and conditions, which are subject to confidential treatment pursuant to RSA 378:43.

Staff has reviewed the cost study data submitted by Fairpoint and confirmed that the contract rates exceed the price floor requirements as defined in Order Nos. 23,357 and 23,493 (Docket No. DT 99-018). Based on its analysis, Staff recommends that the special contract be allowed to go into effect pursuant to RSA 378:18-b, II(a).