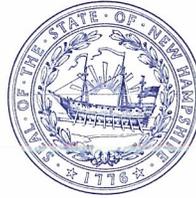


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March 16, 2010

Re: DT 10-025, FairPoint Communications, Inc.
Reorganization
Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On March 9, 2010, a duly noticed prehearing conference was held in the above referenced proceeding. Appearances at the prehearing conference were entered by representatives of FairPoint Communications, Inc., One Communications, Freedom Ring d/b/a BayRing Communications, New Hampshire Legal Assistance on behalf of Irene Schmitt, Comcast Phone of New Hampshire, LLC, segTEL Communications, Otel Telekom, Inc., Office of Attorney General, Office of the Consumer Advocate and Commission Staff. All pending motions to intervene were granted.

Following the prehearing conference, the parties and Staff met in a technical session and agreed to recommend the following schedule which was submitted to the Commission by letter from Staff dated March 11, 2010:

Data Requests on filed Testimony	03/17/10
Data Responses	03/31/10
Intervenor Testimony	04/12/10
Technical Session	04/15/10
Data Requests on Intervenor Testimony	04/21/10
FairPoint Supplemental Testimony regarding financial and operational implications of restatement of earnings*	No later than 04/30/10
Data Responses on Intervenor Testimony	05/04/10
Rebuttal Testimony	05/07/10
Technical Session in lieu of discovery on rebuttal testimony	05/14/10
Evidentiary hearing with	

closing argument

05/24 thru 05/28/10

Written submissions

06/04/10

*Data requests on the Fairpoint supplemental testimony are due within 5 days from the date of filing of the supplemental testimony and responses to those data requests are due 5 days from submission of those data requests.

The Commission has determined that the proposed schedule is in the public interest and therefore has approved it. For administrative efficiency, the Commission has elected to issue this Secretarial Letter as its prehearing order in this proceeding.

Sincerely,



Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Docket file