

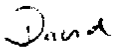
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DATE: December 20, 2010

AT (OFFICE): NHPUC

FROM:  David Goyette, Utility Analyst III - Telecommunications

SUBJECT: DT 10-327 FairPoint Communications - NNE
Amendment to Special Contract with Grafton County for Centrex
Service

TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director
Kate Bailey, Director - Telecommunications

On December 10, 2010, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed an amendment to its existing special contract with Grafton County for Centrex service. Under the amendment, FairPoint will include local usage in the line rate established under the existing contract terms. 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).