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FROM: David Goyette, Utility Analyst III - Telecommunications
SUBJECT: DT 11-037 FairPoint Communications - NNE
Second Amendment to Special Contract with the City of Manchester
for Centrex Service
TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director
Kate Bailey, Director - Telecommunications

On February 25, 2011, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed a second amendment to an existing special contract with the City of Manchester for Centrex service. The amendment extends the contract for an additional 12 month.

In its cover letter FairPoint stated the filing contains confidential, commercial, and financial information exempt from public disclosure under RSA 91-A:5, IV.

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).