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- SUBJECT: DT 11-063 FairPoint Communications NNE Special Contract with Safran USA, Inc. for ISDN-PRI Service
 - **TO:** Debra Howland, Executive Director Kate Bailey, Director, Telecommunications Division

On March 25, 2011, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed a special contract between FairPoint and Safran USA, Inc. Under the contract, FairPoint will provide Safran USA, Inc. with ISDN-PRI service, including Port, Local Distribution Channel, Caller ID with Name, Direct Inward Dialing, and Local Usage for a period of 36 months. During the first 12 months of the contract, Safran USA, Inc. is allowed to order additional services at the rates set forth in the contract.

FairPoint stated that 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).