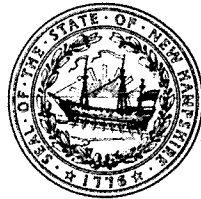


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March 9, 2012

Sandra J. Wennerstrand
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FairPoint Communications – NNE
900 Elm Street, 16th Floor
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Re: DT 12-041, FairPoint Communications - NNE
Special Contract Amendments for Digital Centrex Service

Dear Ms. Wennerstrand:

On February 9, 2012, FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed Amendments No. 1 and No. 2 (the amendments) to a special contract for Digital Centrex Service that extends the contract term and modifies the rate. Staff has reviewed the documentation filed in support of the amendments and recommended that they be allowed to go into effect. According to Staff, the rate, under the amendments, meets the price floor requirements of RSA 378:18-b, II.

For administrative efficiency, the Commission will not issue an order suspending, rejecting, or approving the proposed amendments. Accordingly, proposed Amendments No. 1 and No. 2 are effective March 10, 2012, pursuant to RSA 378:18-b, II. (a).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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