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Re: DT 07-011, Verizon New Hampshire
Transfer of Assets to FairPoint Communications
Revised Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On July 30, 2007, Staff reported that, pursuant to Commission Order No. 24,779 (July 20, 2007), parties had reached agreement on a revised procedural schedule in the above referenced proceeding. The proposed schedule includes filing dates for testimony and rebuttal, discovery, hearings on the merits, and post-hearing briefs and replies. Staff has advised the Commission that all parties have adhered to the proposed August 1 testimony filing date. Staff has further informed the Commission that the proposed briefing schedule was specifically tied to the expectation that parties would obtain next-day transcripts for each day of hearings.

Please be advised that our current stenographic arrangements cannot accommodate next-day transcripts without an extra-contract agreement with another provider. As a result, the proposed briefing schedule may need to be modified at a later date.

Accordingly, the Commission has approved the following procedural schedule to govern the remainder of the proceeding:

Staff/Intervenor Testimony	August 1
Data Requests on Staff/Intervenor Testimony	August 10
Objections	August 20
Motions to Compel	August 24
Staff/Intervenor Data Responses (Unobjected)	August 28
Response to Motion to Compel	August 30
Teleconference to Resolve Remaining Disputes	August 31
Staff/Intervenor Data Responses (Compelled)	September 7
Rebuttal Testimony	September 10
Data Requests on Rebuttal Testimony	September 17
Objections	September 24
Motions to Compel	September 28

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Response to Motion to Compel	October 3
Teleconference to Resolve Remaining Disputes	October 5
Data Responses on Rebuttal Testimony (Unobjected)	October 5
Data Responses on Rebuttal Testimony (Compelled)	October 10
Hearings on the Merits	October 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30 and 31
Simultaneous Briefs	November 16 (tentative)
Simultaneous Reply Briefs	November 28 (tentative)

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