

FairPoint Communications, Inc. State of New Hampshire Docket No. DT 07-011

Respondent: Michael Haga

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REQUEST:

New England Cable and Telecommunications Association, Inc. and

Comcast Phone of New Hampshire, LLC - Rebuttal

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ITEM: NECTA/CPNH Please refer to page 37, lines 15 – 17. Please (a) explain how reporting to an independent monitor would "inhibit" the process, and (b) identify the specific amount of delay contemplated by the witness in stating that an independent monitor would delay the transaction. Further, please clarify whether this portion of your rebuttal testimony refers solely to an independent monitor's review of system development work, as opposed to an independent third party's review and determination of FairPoint's readiness to provide Verizon with an irrevocable Notice of Readiness to cutover.

REPLY:

- (a) Any incremental reporting that is not consistent with the established program communication strategy would take additional time, as would the reconciling of different points of view or understanding. FairPoint's proposal is to engage a third party consultant in a manner in which they would be incorporated into existing processes in order to validate completeness.
- (b) FairPoint is unable to specifically determine the potential amount of the delay.
- (c) FairPoint's proposal is in relation to its systems and its ability to convert Verizon data into said systems.