

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

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REQUEST:

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ITEM: ONECOMM-3

Verizon will provide certain services to FairPoint under the Transition Services Agreement after the closing. To what extent, following the Transaction, will FairPoint need to acquire or develop its own back office systems for the provision of UNEs and services to CLECs?

- (a) What are the anticipated time frames for such acquisition and for implementation of those systems?
- (b) What will be the features of those new systems?
- (c) Who will bear the costs of such systems?
- (d) Will FairPoint reimburse CLECs for any costs they incur relating to this?

REPLY:

FairPoint is currently negotiating with software and other appropriate vendors to acquire, install and deploy the systems which will enable FairPoint to provision UNEs and other CLEC-related services concurrent with the end of the Transition Services Agreement.

- (a) Based upon the current schedule, FairPoint will have the systems in place to begin testing in July/August 2007. Cutover will occur for all systems at the end of the period covered by the Transition Services Agreement.
- (b) The systems will enable FairPoint to offer the services and functionality to meet the requirements of the various interconnection agreements and regulatory agencies.
- (c) FairPoint will not seek to change the rates, terms or

- conditions of the wholesale contracts or the applicable tariffs as part of this transaction. See ONECOMM 3-23, 3-25; NECTA/CPNH 1-5, 1-28, 1-29.
- (d) FairPoint will not reimburse CLECs; however, we will provide adequate notice of changes to the system and at no charge will provide job aids and reference materials on the new systems.