

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

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Respondent: Michael Harrington Title: Vice President, Access Network Engineering

REQUEST:	One Communications - Rebuttal
DATED:	September 1, 2007
ITEM: 21	Please refer to the Bown/Harrington/Smee rebuttal testimony on pages 23 and 24, in which Mr. Harrington describes changes relating to SS7 point codes and switch translations that CLECs will need to undertake due to the fact that FairPoint will be required to return certain codes to Verizon.
	(a) Please provide an estimate of CLEC expenses for these measures.
	(b) Please state whether CLECs will be reimbursed for their expenses relating to the implementation of these changes.
REPLY:	 (a) Depending upon the quantity of ISUP trunk groups impacted and the trunk member sizing of the trunk groups interfacing a Verizon Tandem switch, FairPoint estimates a translations and testing work effort ranging from a low of ten (10) hours to a high of twenty (20) hours. There are a number of variables that might impact such estimations, but FairPoint believes a typical Class 5 End Office subtending a Tandem might have, on average, five (5) to ten (10) ISUP trunk groups.
	(b) No. FairPoint has taken the position that this type of activity, albeit not routine, is not abnormal in terms of ongoing network modifications, switch replacements and/or trunk group migrations between switches that all interconnected telecommunications carriers are subjected to in the normal course of business.