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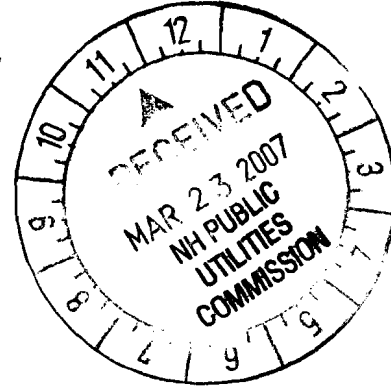
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**VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY**

Ms. Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director and Secretary  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, NH 03301



**Re: DT 07-011 – VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC., BELL ATLANTIC COMMUNICATIONS, INC., NYNEX LONG DISTANCE COMPANY, VERIZON SELECT SERVICES INC. AND FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Joint Application for Approvals Related to Verizon's Transfer of Property and Customer Relations to Company to be Merged with and into FairPoint Communications, Inc.**

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Dear Ms. Howland:

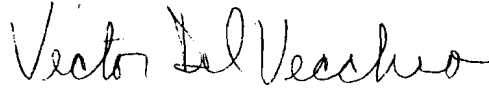
Enclosed for filing are the original and six copies of Verizon's Direct Testimony of Stephen E. Smith.

Verizon considers certain information contained in an attachment to Mr. Smith's Testimony (Exhibit SES-4, Schedule D, regarding the cost of Internet-related Transition Services) to be proprietary and competitively sensitive. It is provided subject to confidential treatment in accordance with RSA 378:43. Specifically, the proprietary information is not general public knowledge or published elsewhere; Verizon has taken measures to prevent dissemination of the information in the ordinary course of business;

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and the information pertains to the provision of competitive services and/or sets forth confidential, financial or commercial information.<sup>1</sup>

Very truly yours,



Victor Del Vecchio



cc: DT 07-011 Service List

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<sup>1</sup> Also, the Joint Applicants have determined that, with the exception of the cost information referenced above, confidential treatment of the remainder of the attachments to the Transition Services Agreement (Exhibit 5 to the Joint Application filed on January 31, 2007) is no longer necessary.