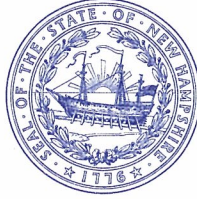


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August 28, 2012

William R. Stafford
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Re: DT-12-261 Granite State Telephone
Petition for authority to construct and maintain Fiber Optic
Telecommunications cable over and across portions of Highland Lake in the
Town of Washington

Dear Mr. Stafford:

This letter serves as an acknowledgement of Granite State Telephone's filing, received August 23, 2012. Please reference the docket number cited above on any additional material to be filed in this matter. All filings should consist of one (1) original and six (6) copies of both the cover letter and any associated material.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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