# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

#### BEFORE THE

## PUBLIC UTILTIES COMMISSION

## DM 12-276

FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS' (Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC and Enhanced Communications of Northern New England, Inc.) Objection to Public Utility Assessment

#### PETITION FOR INTERVENTION

NOW COMES Freedom Ring Communications, LLC. d/b/a BayRing Communications (BayRing), through the undersigned, and respectfully petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding under Rule Puc 203.17 (and RSA 541-A:32). In support of the Petition, BayRing states as follows:

- 1. BayRing is a competitive local exchange carrier (CLEC) headquartered in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. BayRing provides service to business and residential customers in New Hampshire and access services to other telecommunication providers. As a CLEC, BayRing has a substantial interest in monitoring this proceeding for the purpose of determining how the substantive and procedural issues in this case may affect the future operations of BayRing and its customers.
- 2. Specifically, BayRing has an interest in monitoring this proceeding for the purpose of determining how the issues in this case may affect BayRing's public utility assessment. Any changes in FairPoint's public utility assessment or other matters related to public utility assessments will likely impact BayRing.
- 3. This Petition is timely filed in accordance with the Commission's Order of Notice in this docket and granting intervention to BayRing would not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings and would be in the interests of justice.

4. BayRing requests the following individuals to be added to the service list:

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WHEREFORE, BayRing respectfully requests that the Commission grant it intervenor status in this proceeding, along with any reasonable conditions as the Commission deems appropriate.

# Respectfully submitted

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