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

Re: Docket No. DT 07-011
Verizon New Hampshire et alia
Asset Transfer to FairPoint Communications

Dear Ms. Howland:

As you know, the Commission has scheduled a hearing for Monday, March 31, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the above-referenced matter to consider whether to take action pursuant to RSA 365:28 in connection with its previously granted approval of the transaction at issue in this docket. The transaction is scheduled to close on that date.

I am advised by counsel to FairPoint and Verizon that in order for the transaction to close as scheduled, wire transfers of significant funds must commence more than two hours prior to 10:00 a.m. on March 31. Based on those discussions, it appears clear that a hearing on Monday, regardless of its outcome, would have the effect of halting the transaction.

Accordingly, it is my recommendation that the Commission take the admittedly unusual step of scheduling a hearing for Sunday, March 30, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. I am advised that FairPoint, Verizon and Staff are available for such a hearing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald M. Kreis".

Donald M. Kreis
General Counsel

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