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SUBJECT: DT 09-161 Fairpoint Communications - NNE

Special Contract with Coca Cola of Northern New England for DID

Services

TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director

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On August 31, 2009, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a Fairpoint Communications - NNE (Fairpoint) filed a special contract between Fairpoint and Coca Cola of Northern New England. Under the contract, Fairpoint will provide Coca Cola of Northern New England with Direct Inward Dialing (DID) services for a period of 36 months. During the first 18 months of the period Coca Cola of Northern New England can order additional service at the rates set forth in the contract. In support of the filing, Fairpoint submitted records and information, including contract terms and conditions, which are subject to confidential treatment pursuant to RSA 378:43.

Staff has reviewed the cost study data submitted by Fairpoint and confirmed that the contract rates exceed the price floor requirements as defined in Order Nos. 23,357 and 23,493 (Docket No. DT 99-018). Based on its analysis, Staff recommends that the special contract be allowed to go into effect pursuant to RSA 378:18-b, II(a).