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Inter-Department Communication

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**SUBJECT:** DT 10-004 Fairpoint Communications - NNE

Special Contract with Carroll County for Centrex with Assume Dial

"9" Service

TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director

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On January 4, 2010, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a Fairpoint Communications - NNE (Fairpoint) filed a special contract between Fairpoint and Carroll County. Under the contract, Fairpoint will provide Carroll County with Centrex with Assume Dial "9" service with standard features for a period of 36 months. 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).