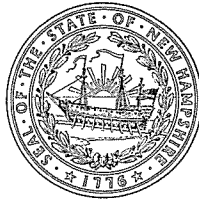


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January 21, 2010

Kevin M. Shea  
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FairPoint Communications, Inc.  
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Re: DT 10-013, FairPoint Communications, Inc.  
Special Contract for Service with United States Cellular Corporation

Dear Mr. Shea:

This letter serves as an acknowledgement of FairPoint Communications, Inc.'s Filing of its Special Contract between FairPoint Communications, Inc. and The United States Cellular Corporation, received January 21, 2010. Please reference the docket number cited above on any additional material to be filed in this matter. All filings should consist of seven (7) copies of both the cover letter and any associated material.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director and Secretary

cc: Service List  
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