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Debra A. Howland Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Concord, New Hampshire. 03301



Re: DT 10-025, FairPoint Communications, Inc. Reorganization Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

Non-Advocate Staff requests a modification of the procedural schedule to permit technical sessions, in addition to the session scheduled for May 14, 2010.

Counsel for Commission Staff has recommended this modification to assist in meeting the expedited schedule established by the Commission, and to assist in refining the issues to be addressed in this docket. Counsel has discussed this proposed modification with all but two parties, with those two parties having yet to respond. FairPoint and all parties reached to date agree to this modification of the Procedural Schedule.

These technical sessions will be scheduled as part of the existing schedule, after consultation with the active parties to the docket, with each session limited to pre-established subject areas. The first session will be held on Thursday, March 25, 2010, starting at 10:00 A.M. The subject of the first technical session will be limited to a review of the fiber optics program as part of FairPoint's broadband expansion, including the claims identified in Attachment A to the Executive Director's letter dated March 9, 2010,

The Commission and all parties will be advised in advance of the schedule for technical sessions, and the subject matter to be addressed in each session. Staff will provide a memorandum identifying areas of discussion and the participants of each session.

Respectfully submitted,

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