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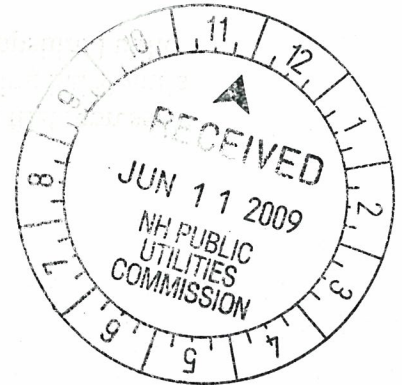
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Debra A. Howland
Executive Director
Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE: **DT 07-011, VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, et al**
Transfer of Assets to FairPoint Communications, Inc.
Technical Session



Dear Ms. Howland:

The Maine Public Advocate, an office of Maine's Executive Branch that represents Maine's utility ratepayers, is planning to attend the technical session regarding FairPoint's financial issues – i.e., the technical session that will be held at the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission on Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at 9:30 am.

Because we have signed the confidentiality agreement under the protective order in the Maine PUC's case regarding FairPoint's compliance with the Maine PUC's order regarding the FairPoint/Verizon acquisition (Docket No. 2008-108), we also plan to attend the confidential portion of the technical session, which starts at 1:00 pm on that same day.

We have contacted, Joseph Donahue, the attorney who represents FairPoint on matters before the Maine PUC, and informed him of our plans to attend that June 9 technical session.

If you have any questions about this letter, please do not hesitate to call me. The best way to reach me is by calling my work cell phone number: 207-592-2338.

Thank you,

William C. Black (me)

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