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April 21, 2016

Ms. Debra A. Howland Executive Director and Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: Letter of Notification of Basic Services Price Increases

Dear Ms. Howland:

Pursuant to RSA 374:22-pVIII(c), Northland Telephone Company of Maine, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications ("FairPoint") hereby provides notice that is raising the price of its basic service offering effective May 19, 2016.

The price increases comply with the rate caps set forth in RSA 374:22-p.VIII(b) and Puc 410.03(d). Specifically, the monthly rate for a residence basic service line will increase by 10% from \$11.46 to \$12.60. The monthly rate for a lifeline basic service line will increase by 5% from \$11.46 to \$12.03.

Enclosed is a preliminary copy of a page from FairPoint's retail catalog that displays the new residential rates.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

Regards,

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