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Via Hand Delivery and Electronic Mail

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

***Re: DT 16-872 - Joint Petition for Findings in Furtherance of the
Acquisition of FairPoint Communications, Inc. and its New Hampshire
Operating Subsidiaries by Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc.***

Dear Ms. Howland:

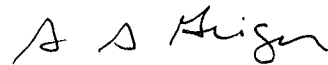
Enclosed for filing with the Commission in the above-captioned docket please find an original and six (6) copies each of the following confidential documents submitted on behalf of Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc.: Confidential Rebuttal Testimony of Michael J. Shultz and Confidential Rebuttal Attachments MJS 1-A through MJS 1-H, Confidential Rebuttal Attachment MJS-2, and Confidential Rebuttal Attachment MJS-4; Confidential Rebuttal Testimony of Steven Childers and Confidential Rebuttal Attachments SLC-1 and SLC -2; and Highly Confidential Rebuttal Attachment GW-2.

With the exceptions of Confidential Rebuttal Attachments MJS-A through MJS 1-H which are confidential in their entirety, redacted/public versions of the above-referenced documents are also enclosed. In addition, an original and six (6) copies of the Rebuttal Testimony of Gabe Waggoner, Rebuttal Attachment GW-1 and Rebuttal Attachment MJS-3 (all of which are public) are enclosed.

Also enclosed for filing in the above-captioned docket please find an original and six (6) copies of Consolidated's Motion for Protective Order regarding the above-referenced confidential documents. Please mark the enclosed confidential documents as "Confidential" and maintain them within the Commission offices in a secure location as required by N.H. Admin. Rule Puc 203.08(g). Please contact me if there are any questions about these filings. Thank you for your assistance.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S S Geiger". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first "S" being particularly large and stylized.

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Attachments

cc: Service List (electronic mail)
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