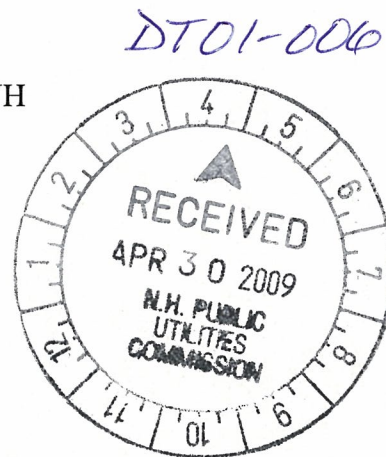




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**Re: Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications - NNE
("FairPoint"), Performance Assurance Plan.**

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed are an original and two (2) disc copies of FairPoint Communications – NNE
March 2009 Reports under the Performance Assurance Plan ("PAP").

The Reports provide the preliminary and final credits calculated for March 2009 performance. As described in the PAP, final credits owed for the March performance month are subject to adjustment based on the previous two months' performance.

Separate proprietary versions of the preliminary and final March 2009 PAP Reports containing carrier-specific performance and bill credit calculations (which are used to allocate the credits among eligible CLECs) are being filed with the Commission and OCA under separate cover.

The materials submitted herewith include items that have been marked "Confidential" and are being submitted pursuant to RSA 378:43. FairPoint Communications, Inc. represents that the materials marked "Confidential" pertain to the provision of competitive services; set forth trade secrets or other confidential information falling within the scope of RSA 378:43,II(b); and are not general public knowledge or published elsewhere, FairPoint Communications, Inc. having taken measures to prevent dissemination of the information in the ordinary course of business.

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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Kevin M. Shea

Enclosures

cc: Office of Consumer Advocate