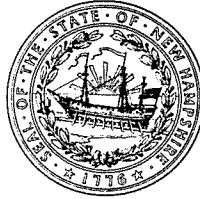


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July 21, 2010

Teresa Rosenberger, President
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Re: DT 10-176 FairPoint Communications – NNE Tariff Revision – Unlimited Dial Tone
and CustoPAK Business Bundles

Dear Ms. Rosenberger:

On June 22, 2010, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications – NNE (FairPoint) submitted a tariff filing to revise FairPoint's Unlimited Dial Tone Line (DTL) and CustoPAK bundled services in its NHPUC Tariff No. 83.

The purpose of the revision is to introduce a change in Regional Bundles which will be available to business customers with 1 to 25 access lines. The revised bundle provides limited rate reductions and adds additional options of 1 to 3 year terms to the existing bundles. The bundle options include an access line with unlimited local calling, unlimited intrastate toll, a choice of interstate long distance with FairPoint Long Distance and a combination of choices for calling features, such as call forwarding, caller ID, call waiting, etc.

Staff conducted an analysis of the cost study and the tariff revision submitted by FairPoint and has concluded that the prices of the services exceed the costs. Staff recommended that a clarification be made to NHPUC Tariff No. 83 in Part A, Section 15, Page 31 at 15.17.1.A, 1. The Commission has accepted Staff's recommendation and will require FairPoint to clarify the tariff section described above in its compliance filing. The tariff will go into effect by operation of law on July 22, 2010, subject to the clarification being made.

For administrative efficiency, an order will not be issued by the Commission either suspending, rejecting, or approving the proposed tariff changes. Pursuant to RSA 378:3 and RSA 378:6, IV, the proposed revisions as filed and amended pursuant to Staff's recommendation, are effective as of July 22, 2010. Tariff pages should be filed referencing Docket No. DT 10-176 and reflecting the effective date of July 22, 2010.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra Howland".

Debra Howland
Executive Director