


STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE: October 14, 2010**AT (OFFICE):** NHPUC**FROM:** Jennifer Ducharme, Utility Analyst, Telecommunications **SUBJECT:** DT 10-262 FairPoint Communications - NNE
Special Contract with Northern Elastomeric, Inc.**TO:** Debra Howland, Executive Director
Kate Bailey, Director, Telecommunications Division

On October 4, 2010, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed a special contract between FairPoint and Northern Elastomeric, Inc. Under the contract, FairPoint will provide Northern Elastomeric, Inc. with ISDN-PRI service, including Port, Local Distribution Channel, Caller ID with Name, and Direct Inward Dialing for a period of 12 months.

During the 12 months of the contract, Northern Elastomeric, Inc. is allowed, at any time, to order additional services. In support of the filing, FairPoint submitted records and information, including contract terms and conditions, which are subject to confidential treatment pursuant to RSA 378:43.

Staff has reviewed the cost study data submitted by FairPoint and confirmed that the contract rates exceed the price floor requirements as defined in Order Nos. 23,357 and 23,493 (Docket No. DT 99-018). Based on its analysis, Staff recommends that the special contract be allowed to go into effect pursuant to RSA 378:18-b, II(a).

