

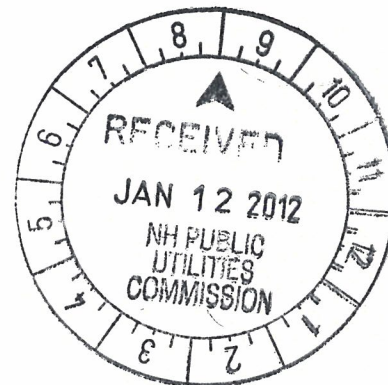


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Ms. Debra A. Howland
 Executive Director and Secretary
 New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
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Re: Special Contract

Dear Ms. Howland:

Pursuant to Chapter 378:18-b of the New Hampshire Statutes and PUC 1606.01 of the New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications - NNE ("FairPoint") is filing herewith for approval of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"), a Special Contract into which FairPoint proposes to enter. The accompanying price floor analysis complies with Commission obligations. FairPoint will implement this special contract as soon as the necessary written approval of the Commission has been issued.

FairPoint represents that the materials marked "Proprietary Information" pertain to the provision of competitive services; set forth trade secrets or other proprietary information falling within the scope of RSA 91-A:5 and PUC Rule 201:4(5) and are not general public knowledge or published elsewhere; FairPoint having taken measures to prevent dissemination of the information in the ordinary course of business. FairPoint does not oppose the distribution, upon valid request, of the attached copy of this contract that has been redacted to remove the customer's name and other identifying information, but leaving all other terms and conditions. The unredacted version and price floor analysis should continue to be treated as proprietary. Pursuant to PUC 203.08, FairPoint represents that a motion for confidentiality will be filed in advance of any hearing on these issues, if any.

Please return the copy of this filing marked "Receipt" with your stamp of receipt.

Yours truly,


 State Regulatory Matters

cc: Office of Consumer Advocate