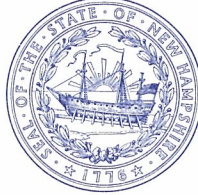


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January 18, 2012

Sandra J. Wennerstrand
State Regulatory Matters
FairPoint Communications, Inc.
900 Elm Street, Suite 16th Floor
Manchester, NH 03101

Re: DT 12-017 FairPoint Communications, Inc.
Special Contract for Direct Inward Dialing

Dear Ms. Wennerstrand:

This letter serves as an acknowledgement of FairPoint Communications, Inc.'s filing, received January 13, 2012. Please reference the docket number cited above on any additional material to be filed in this matter. All filings should consist of one (1) original and two (2) copies of both the cover letter and any associated material.

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Very truly yours,

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

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Service List
DAH/smd