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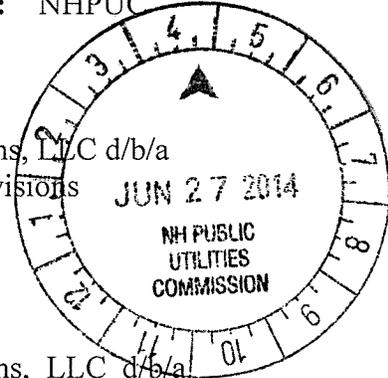
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SUBJECT: DT 14-146, Northern New England Telephone Operations, LLC d/b/a
FairPoint Communications: Intrastate Access Tariff Revisions

TO: Commissioners
Debra Howland, Executive Director



On May 30, 2014, Northern New England Telephone Operations, LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications (FairPoint) submitted a filing to revise its intrastate access tariff for effect on July 1, 2014, to comply with Phase III of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Report and Order FCC 11-161 (released November 18, 2011). The revisions in this filing reduce intrastate local switching rates to the same rate required by the FCC to be effective July 1, 2014. In addition, rates formerly identified in the intrastate tariff as "specified in the FairPoint Telephone Companies Tariff FCC No. 1," have been added to the intrastate tariff.

Staff has reviewed this filing for compliance with FCC orders and rules. Rates added which were formerly "as specified in the FairPoint Telephone Companies Tariff FCC No. 1," have been inserted and are the same as those in the interstate tariff. The FairPoint filing and the revised access rates appear to be consistent with FCC directives, with one exception.

On Page 6 of Section 30, rates for various entrance facilities are currently "as specified in FairPoint's FCC No. 1." In the interstate tariff, these rates vary according to the number of channel terminations counted. In the proposed revisions filed on May 30, FairPoint inserted only the highest rate for a single channel termination. Staff asked FairPoint to revise this page to reflect the rates, including the volume discounts found in the interstate tariff. The attached red-lined tariff page reflects agreement between FairPoint and Staff to revise the page. FairPoint has agreed to file this revised page on Monday, June 30, for effect July 1, 2014.

With the agreed-upon change per the attached, FairPoint's proposed revisions are consistent with FCC rules and orders. Accordingly, Staff recommends that the Commission allow the May 30 filing, with the attached corrections to Page 6 of Section 30, to take effect by operation of law on July 1, 2014.

30. Rates and Charges

30.6 Switched Access

30.6.1 Entrance Facility				
ID	Service Category	Rate Element	Rate	USOC
	Standard Channel Termination	VG 2W - Monthly	28.70	EFG2X
		VG 2W - First Channel - NRC	286.80	EFG2X
		VG 2W - Additional Channels - NRC	195.50	EFG2X
		VG 4W - Monthly	53.00	EFG4X
		VG 4W - First Channel - NRC	408.36	EFG4X
		VG 4W - Additional Channels - NRC	272.96	EFG4X
		DS1 - Monthly	190.00	EFGDX
		DS1 - First Channel - NRC	275.00	EFGDX
		DS1 - Additional Channels - NRC	165.00	EFGDX
		DS3 - Electrical - Monthly	1100.00- 2310.00*	TYFAX/TYFBX
		DS3 - Electrical - NRC	1.00	TYFAX/TYFBX
		DS3 - Optical - Monthly - 135 Mbps	1100.00- 2310.00*	TYFCX/TYFDX
		DS3 - Optical - NRC - 135 Mbps	1.00	TYFCX/TYFDX
		DS3 - Optical - Monthly - 560 Mbps	1100.00- 2310.00*	TYFGX/TYFHX
		DS3 - Optical - NRC - 560 Mbps	1.00	TYFGX/TYFHX
		DS3 - Optical - Monthly - 2.488 Gbps	1100.00- 2310.00*	TYFJX/TYFKX
		DS3 - Optical - NRC - 2.488 Gbps	1.00	TYFJX/TYFKX
		Office Channel Termination	DS1 - NRC	270.66
	DS1 - Monthly		2.10	EFWDX
	DS3 - NRC		393.44	EFW3X
	DS3 - Monthly		19.23	EFW3X

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*This represents the range of rates available depending upon the number of Channel Terminations. Please see FCC NO. 1, Section 31.6.1 for the monthly rate per Channel Termination.

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