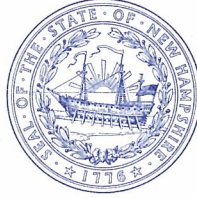


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Re: DT 07-011 Verizon New England, et al
Transfer of Assets to FairPoint Communications, Inc.
Status Conference

To the Parties:

By Order No. 24,947 (March 13, 2009), the Commission scheduled a status conference in the above-captioned matter for April 3, 2009, requiring FairPoint to provide a detailed description of its progress in the post-cutover process.

On March 20, 2009, representatives from FairPoint Communications, Inc. (FairPoint), the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) and Staff participated in a technical session relative to other matters in this docket. The participants expressed their views during the technical session on the upcoming status conference and Staff provided the Commission with a summary of those views on March 24, 2009.

The purpose of the status conference is to gather information on FairPoint's post-cutover transition and its plan to stabilize operations to acceptable levels. The status conference will be conducted in the nature of a legislative hearing. The Commission will hear from FairPoint executives regarding cutover matters and may, at its discretion, question those representatives during the course of the status conference. Parties to this proceeding may also make statements at the status conference regarding cutover matters. The Commission will determine subsequently whether additional procedural steps are appropriate, including whether an adjudicative hearing should be conducted.

Sincerely,

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