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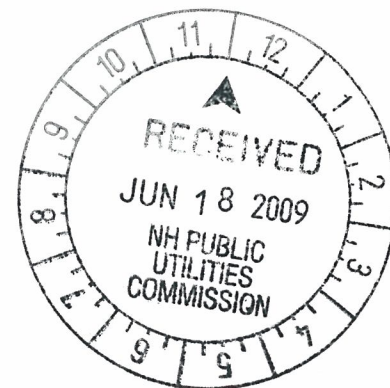
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June 5, 2009

Ms. Debra Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301



Re: DT 07-011 (Verizon/FairPoint Merger)

Dear Ms. Howland:

I write on behalf of the eight independent incumbent local exchange members of the New Hampshire Telephone Association ("NHTA ILECs")* in response to your Secretarial Letter dated June 4, 2009, in the above-referenced matter.

The NHTA ILECs do not plan to attend the Technical Session scheduled for June 9, 2009, and have no questions for presentation at that session.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul J. Phillips". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Paul J. Phillips
Counsel for the NHTA ILECs

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cc: Electronic Service List, Docket No. DT 07-011
Eight Independent NHTA ILECs

* The NHTA ILECs are Bretton Woods Telephone Company, Inc., Dixville Telephone Company, Dunbarton Telephone Company, Inc., Granite State Telephone, Inc., TDS Telecom/Hollis Telephone Company, Inc., TDS Telecom/Kearsarge Telephone Company, TDS Telecom/Merrimack County Telephone Company, and TDS Telecom/Wilton Telephone Company, Inc.