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Via Hand Delivery

November 1, 2012

Ms. Debra Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301



Re: DT 07-011; Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications – NNE (“FairPoint”) Broadband Expansion Proposal

Dear Ms. Howland:

This submission is made pursuant to Order No.: 25,379 dated June 26, 2012 (the “June Order”) in which the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (the “Commission”) granted FairPoint permission to pursue the Broadband Expansion Agreement, identified as Attachment A in FairPoint’s submission of June 6, 2012. As the Commission knows, that executed agreement between the New Hampshire Attorney General’s Office (on behalf of the Commission), FairPoint and the Department of Resources and Economic Development (“DRED”) was submitted on June 28, 2012, and Governor John Lynch and Executive Council approved the agreement on July 11, 2012.

Since the time of the Governor’s and Executive Council’s approval of the Broadband Expansion Agreement, FairPoint has worked in collaboration with both the Commission Staff (“Staff”) and DRED to generate ideas and solicit feedback respective to specific regions in the state that may benefit from this investment in Broadband infrastructure. This information has proven useful for FairPoint’s planning and development efforts of the proposed plan.

FairPoint is pleased to report that the attached Broadband proposal will expand Broadband to two thousand, six hundred and twenty-eight (2,628) access lines in over fifty (50) New Hampshire communities, representing coverage in all ten (10) New Hampshire counties. FairPoint believes that use of the \$3,323,751 broadband expansion funds will best serve the state of New Hampshire and provide broadband opportunities to a market that may not otherwise ever receive access to Broadband.

Please do not hesitate to contact me in the event that you need further information concerning the proposal. I am more than willing to address any questions the Commission may have. Due to the confidential nature of the supporting information in the proposed plan, FairPoint is filing that plan under confidential seal. FairPoint represents that the materials marked “Confidential and Proprietary Information” pertain to the provision of competitive services; set forth trade secrets or other confidential

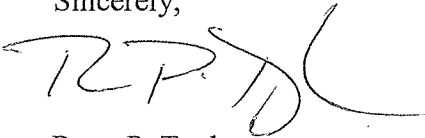
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information falling within the scope of RSA 91-A:5 and PUC Rule 201:4 (5); and are not general public knowledge or published elsewhere; FairPoint Communications having taken measures to prevent dissemination of the information in the ordinary course of business. 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.

Enclosed is an original and six copies as well as a compact disk. A separate compact disk marked as confidential is also enclosed which contains the Broadband proposal. Please return the copy of this filing marked "Receipt" with your stamp of receipt.

I can be reached at 603.656.8102 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RPT" followed by a stylized flourish.

Ryan P. Taylor

Cc: Carol Miller, DRED (electronically)
Service List (electronic service only)