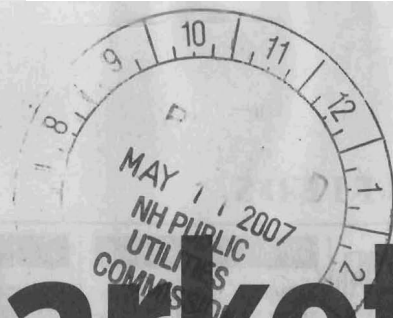


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The Citizen of Laconia

Thursday, April 26, 2007

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARING

**Transfer of Verizon Assets to FairPoint
Communications, Inc.**

May 8, 2007 • 7:00 p.m.

**Plymouth State University
Boyd Science Center • Plymouth, New Hampshire**

On January 31, 2007, Verizon and FairPoint filed a petition with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for approval of the transfer of Verizon's wireline local and long distance businesses in New Hampshire to FairPoint.

FairPoint is headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina. Through certain subsidiaries it currently provides local service in East Conway and Chatham, New Hampshire, as well as in portions of Maine and Vermont.

According to the petition, the proposed transfer of assets would result in FairPoint acquiring the Verizon franchise to provide wireline telecommunication services in New Hampshire, and owning the network Verizon currently uses to provide those services.

The Commission will hold a series of evening hearings during the month of May for the purposes of taking public comment on the proposed transaction. All hearings will begin at 7:00 p.m. The next hearing will be held on May 8, 2007 at Plymouth State University, Boyd Science Center.

Further information can be obtained by contacting the Commission at 271-2431.



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