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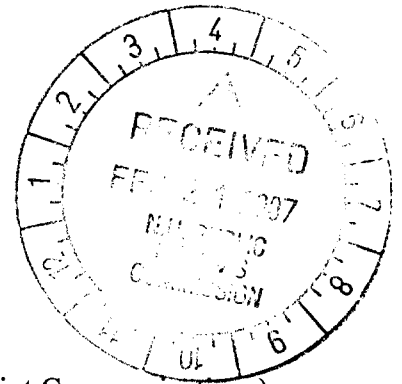
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February 21, 2007

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Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
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Re: Docket No. DT 07-011 (Joint Petition of Verizon NH and FairPoint Communications)

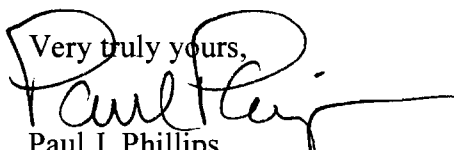
Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter, on behalf of the following eight members of the New Hampshire Telephone Association, are an original and eight (8) written copies of the "Petition for Intervention of Eight Members of the New Hampshire Telephone Association" and the "Entry of Appearance" of the undersigned counsel:

1. Bretton Woods Telephone Company, Inc.
2. Dixville Telephone Company
3. Dunbarton Telephone Company, Inc.
4. Granite State Telephone, Inc.
5. TDS Telecom/Hollis Telephone Company, Inc.
6. TDS Telecom/Kearsarge Telephone Company
7. TDS Telecom/Merrimack County Telephone Company
8. TDS Telecom/Wilton Telephone Company, Inc.

An electronic copy of the foregoing documents has been delivered separately. I have also included an extra written copy of each document. Would you kindly date-stamp these extra copies and return them to me in the enclosed self-addressed and stamped envelope?

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Paul J. Phillips
Encls.

cc: Attached Service List, Docket No. DT 07-011 (copies e-mailed where shown)
New Hampshire Independent Telephone Company clients

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**State of New Hampshire
Before the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission**

Docket No. DT 07-011

**In re: Joint Application of Verizon New England, Inc., et al.
("Verizon") and FairPoint Communications, Inc., for Approval of the
Transfer of Certain Assets by Verizon and Associated Transactions**

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Primmer Piper Eggleston & Cramer PC, by and through Paul J. Phillips, Esq., and Gary F. Karnedy, Esq., and in accordance with New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules, Part Puc 203.16(a)(2), hereby enters its appearance in the above-captioned proceeding on behalf of eight (8) New Hampshire incumbent local exchange carriers who are members of the New Hampshire Telephone Association, viz.:

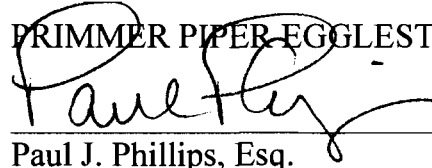
Bretton Woods Telephone Company, Inc.;
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Dunbarton Telephone Company, Inc.;
Granite State Telephone, Inc.;
TDS Telecom/Hollis Telephone Company, Inc.;
TDS Telecom/Kearsarge Telephone Company;
TDS Telecom/ Merrimack County Telephone Company; and
TDS Telecom/Wilton Telephone Company, Inc.

DATED at Plymouth, New Hampshire, this 21st day of February, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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**PETITION FOR INTERVENTION OF EIGHT MEMBERS OF
THE NEW HAMPSHIRE TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION**

February 21, 2007

Submitted on behalf of:

**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
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Eight independent New Hampshire incumbent local exchange carriers who are members of the New Hampshire Telephone Association (the "Eight Independents"),¹ by and through the undersigned counsel and pursuant to RSA 541-A:32 and N.H. Admin. Rule Puc 203.17, hereby petition the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("NHPUC") to grant intervention to the Eight Independents in the present proceeding.

In support of their Motion, the Eight Independents state as follows:

1. On January 31, 2007, FairPoint Communications, Inc. ("FairPoint") and Verizon New England, Inc. and certain of its affiliates (collectively, "Verizon" and, with FairPoint, the "Joint Petitioners") jointly petitioned the NHPUC for approval of a transaction (the "Transaction") by which Verizon would transfer its assets and obligations as a telecommunications common carrier in New Hampshire to FairPoint, and Verizon's authority

¹ The Eight Independents 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.

to offer telecommunications services, both on a wholesale and retail basis in New Hampshire, would be terminated.

2. The Eight Independents are New Hampshire public utilities under RSA 362:2,I and operate as incumbent local exchange carriers, as defined in Puc 402.23, subject to the jurisdiction of the NHPUC under RSA 374:3.

3. The Eight Independents have longstanding traffic arrangements with Verizon, ensuring the efficient and seamless routing, rating and completion of telecommunications traffic between and among customers in New Hampshire and between customers in New Hampshire and around the world.

4. If the proposed Transaction were approved, Verizon's obligations with respect to the aforesaid arrangements would be terminated and any and all such obligations would thereupon be assumed by FairPoint.

5. The Eight Independents have rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interests in the aforesaid arrangements that may be affected by the present proceeding.

6. The interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the present proceeding will not be impaired by allowing the intervention of the Eight Independents.

7. Based on the foregoing, the Eight Independents assert that they satisfy the requirements for intervention under RSA 541-A:32.

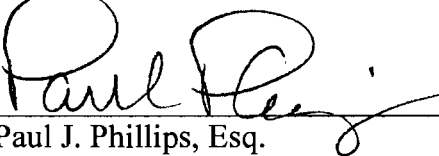
WHEREFOR, the Eight Independents petition the NHPUC to grant the aforesaid petition for intervention.

DATED at Plymouth, New Hampshire, this 21st day of February, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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.

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