



FairPoint Communications, Inc.
State of New Hampshire
Docket No. DT 07-011

Respondent: Brian Lippold
Title: Vice President, Business &
Wholesale Services

REQUEST: Office of Consumer Advocate - Rebuttal

DATED: September 19, 2007

ITEM: OCA R-114 Refer to page 14, line 10, of the Rebuttal Testimony of Brian Lippold.

- a. Provide the estimated cost of this test review process.
- b. Please specify where this cost is included in the financial projections.

REPLY:

OBJECTION: FairPoint objects to Data Request R-114 on the grounds that it is overbroad, unduly burdensome and seeks highly confidential and proprietary commercial and strategic information that would provide competitors a business advantage if disclosed. The information sought pertains to the provision of competitive services and includes trade secret information that required significant effort and cost to produce and/or confidential, research or commercial information, including customer, geographic, market and product-specific data. Subject to and without waiving this objection, FairPoint will provide information responsive to Data Request R-114. [Objection filed September 25, 2007.]

- a. FairPoint is in the process of working with the three states to select the third party consultant, and thus does not have an estimate of the cost of the test review process.
- b. This cost is not specifically included in the financial projections.