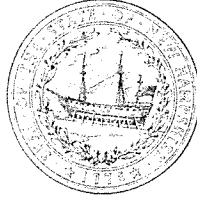


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May 30, 2012

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Re: DT 07-011, Verizon New England, Inc. et al
Transfer of Assets to FairPoint Communications, Inc.
Extension of Time

Dear Mr. Malone:

On May 25, 2012, you filed on behalf of Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications-NNE (FairPoint) a request to extend the time to June 6, 2012 to file an escrow arrangement for the use of funds for broadband expansion, or in the alternative, to issue bill credits in July 2012. According to the request, FairPoint, the New Hampshire Office of Attorney General and Commission Staff, require additional time beyond May 29, 2012 to conclude discussions and execute an escrow arrangement with a financial institution.

In the event that the Commission does not approve the escrow arrangement, FairPoint requests permission to issue bill credits during July 2012 inasmuch as FairPoint has multiple bill runs in each month and, according to FairPoint, it is not possible to issue all bill credits on a single date. FairPoint represents in its request that Staff assents to the relief requested.

The Commission has determined that, pursuant to Puc 202.04, the applicable standards for granting an extension of time to file an escrow arrangement and issue bills credits in July, if required, have been met. Accordingly, your request has been granted.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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