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*Executive Councilor
District One*

May 23, 2012

Ms. Debra Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
Public Utilities Commission- State of NH
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301

RE: Broadband Expansion by FairPoint Communications
Docket DT 07-011

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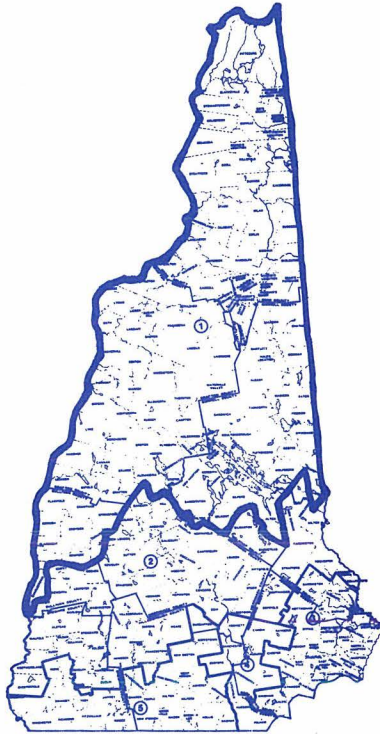
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I urge the Commission to not allow additional penalties to stand in the way of broadband expansion to our state's un-served areas. Thank you for your consideration of this letter.

Sincerely,


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May 21, 2012

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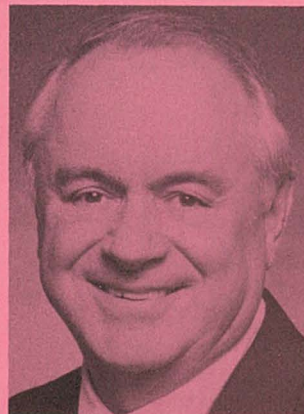
Please feel free to contact me at anytime

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Emergency - Fire, Police, Medical	911
Traveler - NH Highways Info	511
General Information	211
NH Employment Security	1-800-852-3400
NH Banking Dept.	1-800-437-5991
NH Service Link	1-866-634-9412
White River Vt. Veterans Center	1-866-687-8387
Manchester Veterans Center	1-800-892-8384
NH Catholic Charities	1-800-562-5249
NH Charitable Foundation	1-800-464-6641
Headrest (Crisis Line) 24/7	1-800-639-6095
Citizen Services (Governor's Office)	1-800-852-3456
NH State Police (Emergency Line)	1-800-525-5555
Grafton County Sheriff	1-800-564-6911
Carroll County Sheriff	1-800-552-8960
Tri-County Community Action	1-800-552-4617
Southwestern Comm. Service	1-800-529-0005
Belknap/Merrimack Comm. Action	1-800-856-5525
NH Commission on Disability	1-800-852-3405
NH Health & Human Services	1-800-852-3345
NH Veterans Council	1-800-622-9230
NH Insurance Department	1-800-852-3416
NH Emergency Management	1-800-852-3792
NH Public Utilities Commission	1-800-852-3793
Granite State Living Independent	1-800-826-3700
NH Community Technical Colleges	1-800-247-3420
Autocap	1-800-852-3305
NH Workforce Council	1-800-772-7001
NH Dept. of Labor	1-800-272-4353
NH AIDS Hotline	1-800-752-2437
NH Housing Authority	1-800-439-7247
NH Higher Educational Ass't	1-800-525-2577
NH Superior Court	1-800-462-9404
NH Department of Education	1-800-339-9900
American Red Cross	1-800-464-6692
NH Micro Credit (Businesses)	1-800-769-3482
Small Business Tech. Ass't	1-800-837-0656
Child & Family Services	1-800-640-6486
Service Link	1-866-634-9412
WISE Women's Info Center	1-603-448-5525
Grafton County Business Help Line	1-888-535-0002
Consumer Protection Hotline	1-888-468-4454

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State Officials and Employees
State Fiscal Matters
Pardons, Commutations and Reprieves
Eminent Domain and Related Responsibilities
State Contract and Leases
Public Waters
State Industrial and Recreational Interests
Miscellaneous Responsibilities

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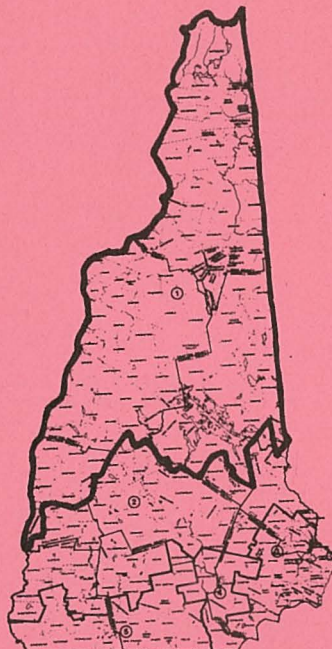
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