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June 1, 2009

Re: DT 06-067, Freedom Ring Communications, LLC d/b/a BayRing Communications  
Complaint of Freedom Ring Communications, LLC d/b/a Bayring Communications  
Against Verizon, New Hampshire Re: Access Charges

To the Parties:

On May 7, 2009, AT&T Communications of New England, Inc. (AT&T) filed in the above referenced matter a request to withdraw claims against Verizon New Hampshire (Verizon). According to the filing, AT&T and Verizon have reached an agreement regarding amounts in dispute between them. Verizon assents to the relief requested and joins in AT&T's request for expedited consideration. No party has filed an objection to AT&T's motion.

AT&T represents in its request that the claims are limited to claims against Verizon for past charges. AT&T contends that Verizon no longer provides service in New Hampshire under Tariff 85 (the tariff at issue in this docket) and that the dispute between them regarding any amounts due in the past is a private, commercial dispute. AT&T claims that the relief sought would have no effect on the prospective application of Tariff 85 by FairPoint, therefore, allowing the requested withdrawal raises no public policy issues. The parties also note that continued uncertainty regarding the outcome of this matter creates a financial contingency which must be taken into account in accordance with commercial accounting practices, and that they each have an interest in eliminating this uncertainty for financial accounting and reporting purposes.

Based on the foregoing, the Commission has determined that the withdrawal of AT&T's claims is reasonable. Nothing in the record indicates, nor has any party asserted, that the requested relief would adversely affect the ultimate resolution of this proceeding. Accordingly, AT&T's request to withdraw claims against Verizon has been granted.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director